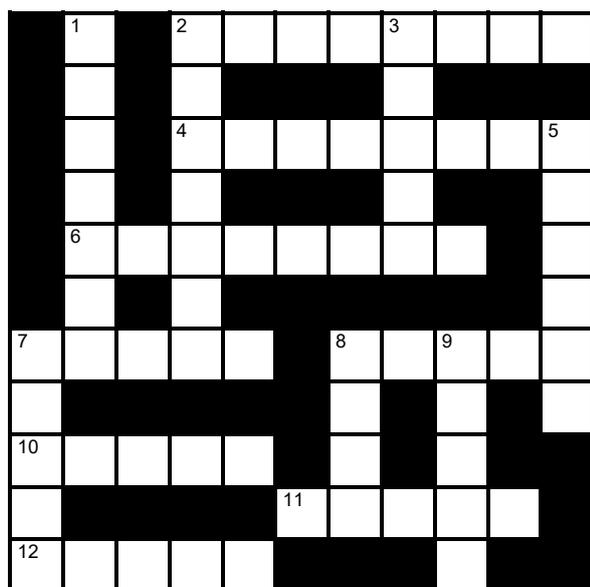


A British Puzzle

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Across

2 If somebody ignores you, makes it obvious they are disinterested in you, or snubs you socially, they are giving you the cold _____. (8)

4 Anybody who is fuming, furious, extremely upset, or very angry, can be called _____. (8)

6 If you do or say something which makes an already bad situation worse, we say you are _____ the knife. (8)

7 _____ to the boil can mean to literally bring a liquid to boiling point, but it can also mean to make somebody demonstrably

angry. (5)

8 To _____ the issue is to avoid facing something or to avoid doing something you should do. (5)

10 When something normally intangible is very noticeable, such as the air, a person's accent, or the atmosphere in the room, we say that you could cut it with a _____. (5)

11 Someone who is full of _____ has a lot of energy and enthusiasm for something, possibly because they have been well rested or well fed. (5)

12 If you annoy someone or irritate someone greatly, you _____ them bananas. (5)

Down

1 The negative term, bean _____, is used to describe a person who is only interested in the financial aspects of something. (7)

2 A jam _____ is where several musicians come together in an informal setting to play their instruments together. (7)

3 Something you buy which turns out to have defects, problems, or does not work well, is known as a _____. (5)

5 If you deliberately destroy something which was providing you with an easy source of revenue, you have killed the goose that lays the _____ egg. (6)

7 Something which has not been well thought out or is doomed to failure is half-_____. (5)

8 A situation that is difficult to deal with and likely to prove troublesome is a _____ kettle of fish. (4)

9 Something is somebody's meat and _____ when they find it interesting and enjoyable despite most people feeling quite the opposite. (5)