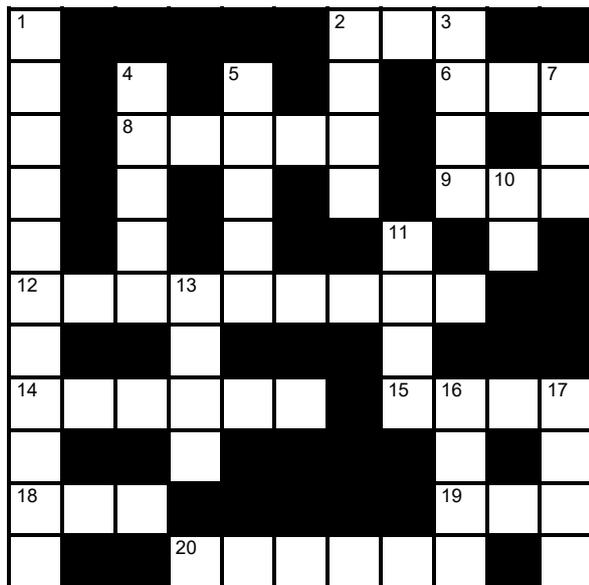


A British Puzzle

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Across

- 2 When work is progressing rapidly, smoothly, and efficiently, we say that it is cooking on _____. (3)
- 6 To irritate someone to the point of anger is to cheese them _____. (3)
- 8 When you are compelled to face the consequences of something you have previously done, we say your chickens have come home to _____. (5)
- 9 Two people who share the same interests, beliefs, and even appearance, are said to be like two peas in a _____. (3)
- 12 To totally defeat someone and to punish them severely is to make _____ of them. (9)
- 14 To oblige someone to accept something, agree with something, or endure something, is to jam it down their

- _____ . (6)
- 15 Someone who shows extreme enthusiasm for something and is very eager to do it is _____ as mustard. (4)
- 18 The apple of your _____ is a person who you love greatly, who you're very proud of, or you favour above all others. (3)
- 19 A beer _____ is a large belly that some men have which is supposedly caused by drinking too much beer. (3)
- 20 When you have been compelled to admit that you are wrong about something, and have had to apologise, you have had to eat _____ pie. (6)

Down

- 1 If you try to teach your _____ to suck eggs, you are trying to tell somebody how to do something that they've been able to do for a long time. (11)
- 2 When the powers-that-be decide that something is no longer necessary, be it a service, program, or employee, it _____ the chop. (4)
- 3 If you are in the _____, you are in a great deal of trouble, or in a very bad situation. (4)
- 4 Somebody who thinks that the moon is made of _____ cheese is very gullible and will believe anything, no matter how outlandish. (5)
- 5 If you say you could eat a _____, you are exceedingly hungry. (5)
- 7 If somebody has been helped too much to the detriment of their learning, understanding, self-reliance, and initiative, they have been spoon-_____. (3)
- 10 A situation which is coming to fruition and about which there is much interest and activity, is _____ the
- boil. (2)
- 11 To flatter someone to convince them or to get your own way is to sweet _____ them. (4)
- 13 To deliberately and dishonestly alter a company or organisation's financial records or accounts is to cook the _____. (4)
- 16 When you are very stressed due to the situation you find yourself in, we say you are on a knife-_____. (4)
- 17 When you are very enthusiastic and excited about something or someone, you are _____ about them. (4)