## MONSTER FIND-A-WORD

THAILAND
The listed words can be found in the grid up, down, forwards, backwards or diagonally Once you've found them, the remaining letters will reveal one of the kingdom's most
widely celebrated festivals and when during the traditional Thai lunar calendar it occurs.



LATERAL THINKING: CRYPTIC
Use the cryptic clues to solve this crossword with a twist.

## across

1. Opts to convert workplaces into mail centres ( 4,7 )
2. Sheraton throws out roast
3. Sheraton (3)
4. Sang rhythmically till Ed was disturbed (6)
5. Dogs slip up in layers of cake (8)
6. Skew a rat with a twist, ready for 12. Par due to brea
7. Curses as horses start in on oat
8. $\stackrel{(5)}{-}$ Gold coin greedy person used as
9. Gola coin greedy person use
victim in experiments $(6,3)$
10. One and all in party to some degree (9)
11. Heard lion family snooped? (5)
12. Prefer some sprat herring? I
should say! (6)
13. Soon wedged inside bass
instruments (8)
14. In hindsight, names Ron as a

Viking (8)
27. Rush job (6)

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LAKE MACQUARIE
The listed words relating to this city in the Hunter Region of NSW can be found in the grid in straight lines up, down, forwards, backwards o even diagonally. Once you have found all of them, the remaining letters will reveal an interesting fact.


guests of Her Majesty (9)
17. Fish preying in river and neatly hiding acronym? (7)
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18. Ray comes back about end of June for 12 months (4) 20. Just rewards for one who abandons arid wildernesses
22. Summary using shorter sentences (5)
24. The kind of change that involves no notes (5) 24. The kind of change that involve
25. Whales are robust at heart (4)
10. Tasting exteriors with sharp
flavour (4)

Lacking courage unlike an echidna (9)
echidna (9)
28. Exist in backward era (3) Lists epic as adapted for experts

## Down

1. Lighter-coloured facial hair in Sicily? (7)
2. Walter sat drifting on the brine
$(4,5)$
3. Obvious it's kept in poverty (5)
. Boys and girls together used
4. Where one's sumped on retirin piece before he accepts half trap ${ }_{(9)}$
5. Some of that toothy enamel shows when such an animal laughs (5) laughs (5) personal savings ( 4,3 )
6. Heritage 30. Hillsborough 31. Hunter 32. Jewells 33. Kilaben Bay 34. Mandalon
7. Mining 35. Mining
8. Mirraboo 36. Mirrabook
9. 

Morisset 38. New Lambton Heights
New South 39. New South Wale
40. Nords Wharf 41. Pelican 43. Power Station 44. Raaf Base 45. Railway 46. Rathmines 47. Silverwater
48. South Sea Islands 48. South Sea
Museum 50. Tingira Heights 51. Trails 52. Valentine 53. Warners Bay
54. Windermere 54. Windern

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ACROSS
8. By crack, a
9. A vehicle in parade at sea (6)
10. Animal pen said to be eyesore (3)
11. Monkeys imitate me in capital starts (6)
12. Quick! Look after little Bo (4)
14. What lawyers carry during short trials? (10)
17. Gateman takes back delegate's ID
$(4,3)$ $(4,3)$
Abit mediocre, as edition folded
18. (7)
19. Distil base mixture made more secure (10)
22. Hang around to take orders (4)
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24. Bar in Albany (3)

Most modern is the north-east,
followed by the west $(6)$ followed by the west (6)
wooden tiles on roof (8)

DOWN

1. Like Hugo, Fleming is from
2. Name that looks right, for example (3)
Ban classic arrangements on passenger ship - it's cheaper than Ask Einstein to include Hanks (
3. Jokes that will silence you? (4)
4. A passion for lifting things? (11)

Classify Bella anew (5)
I see insects representing the basics of life (11)
15. Right to dine in satin where they're packed in tight $(7,3)$
16. Demoted legate found in red ( 9 )
coming back up in a street (6)
21. I left the waiter to get melted ic
(5)
23. Makes solid stage scenes (4) Exclamation of disgust at sloppy
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