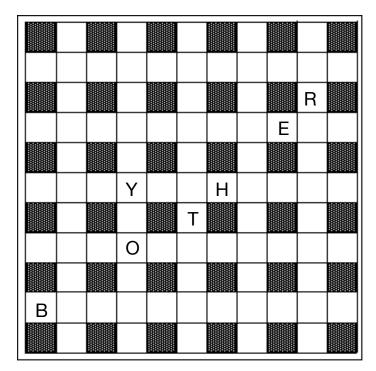
Crisscross Crunch

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This puzzle suffers a tight squeeze. The answer words read straight across or straight down, but they overlap by one, two, three, or four letters. For example, the answer "battLE" might overlap the answer "LEgs" by two letters and be entered as "BATTLEGS." The clues for Across and Down are in **alphabetical order** according to answers, and the word lengths are in parentheses. We've placed some letters to get you started.



ACROSS

Reporter's credit (6) Loose change (5) Belie (4) Creepy (5) Kosher (7) Model of perfection (5) Map in a map (5) Not at any time (5) Never in Nuremberg (3) Russian refusal (4) Faint (5) Lukewarm (5) Deceive (5) Bring together (5) Segment of poetry (5)

DOWN

Yes, on board (3) Unrefined (5) Actor Jacobi (5) Down from a duck (5) Land of the leprechauns (4) Pine or problem type (6) Pots 'n' ____ (4) Drop by (3,2) Ceramicist (6) Dog jail (5) Cancel, as plans (5) ____ and polish (4) Musical pace (5) Keying goof (4) Happening now (8)