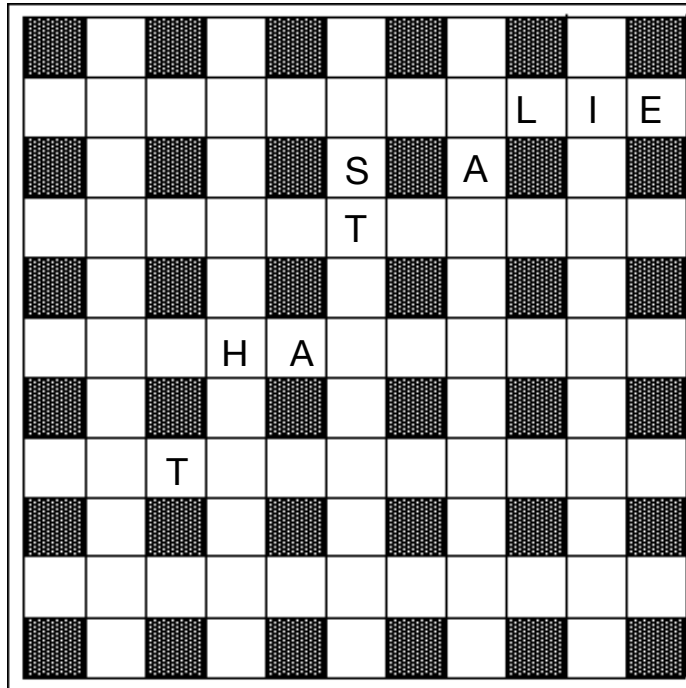


# Crisscross Crunch

# 216

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

- Demonstrate to be false (5)
- Rule for organizations (5)
- Double square game piece (6)
- Online persuader, possibly (4)
- Stout-hearted souls (3)
- Boris's comrade in espionage (7)
- Prize for physics (5)
- Riverside frolicker (5)
- Aviator (5)
- Bag for pitchers (5)
- Ill-treated or ill-maintained (6)
- Comic actor Jacques (4)
- Abject fright (6)
- River to Rome (5)
- A dream your heart makes (4)

## DOWN

- Secure, as a community (5)
- Emotional and physical center (5)
- Party giver (4)
- Ultra posh (6)
- Within the law (5)
- Ancient king of Crete (5)
- Make less severe (8)
- The real Tesla (6)
- Have a snack (4)
- Fez wearer (7)
- Short of, as a goal (3)
- Deep-water detector (5)
- Horse house (6)
- Ear biter Mike (5)
- Upchuck (5)

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