



Across

- 6 Piece of soft material that covers and protects an injured part of the body (7)
- 7 Throw with great effort (5)
- 9 Median ridge on the breastbone of birds that fly (4)
- 10 Resident in or native of a town in the north-east of Scotland, centre of the offshore North Sea oil industry (10)
- 11 Twelve days after Christmas; celebrates the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus (8)
- 13 Downhill race over a winding course defined by upright poles (6)
- 15 Sages who visited Jesus and Mary and Joseph shortly after Jesus was born (4)
- 17 Sacred city of Lamaism; known as the Forbidden City for its former inaccessibility and hostility to strangers (5)
- 18 Acquire or deserve by one's efforts or actions (4)
- 19 Decorate (6)

Down

- 1 Admirer of England and things English (10)
- 2 Capital and largest city of Cuba; located in western Cuba; one of the oldest cities in the Americas (6)
- 3 Segment of DNA that is involved in producing a polypeptide chain (4)
- 4 Former name of a landlocked republic in south central Africa; achieved independence from the United Kingdom in 1980 (8)
- 5 Expletive used informally as an intensifier (4)
- 6 Short high tone produced as a signal or warning (5)
- 8 Attract (7)
- 12 Bundle of straw laid straight ready for thatching (5)
- 14 Dutch navigator who was the first European to discover New Zealand (1603-1659) (4,6)

- 20** One of the three prairie provinces in central Canada (8)
- 23** Romantic English poet whose work was inspired by the Lake District where he spent most of his life (10)
- 26** Person who is bound to the land and owned by the feudal lord (4)
- 27** Any large deep body of water (5)
- 28** Largest city in southern Alberta; an oil and gas centre and a technology centre for Alberta and most of western Canada (7)
- 16** Relating to or resembling lymphatic glands or lymphoid tissue (7)
- 17** Night spent watching over a dead body (4,4)
- 21** Agricultural settlements established and manned by young soldiers in Israel, especially in border areas (6)
- 22** Muscular and heavily built (5)
- 24** Platform raised above the surrounding level to give prominence to the person on it (4)
- 25** Grains used as food either unpolished or more often polished (4)