



**Across**

- 1 The act of damaging something or someone (6)
- 4 Antelope of a race found essentially in South Africa (8)
- 9 The quality of lacking taste and refinement (6)
- 10 A mythical Greek hero of the Iliad; a foremost Greek warrior at the siege of Troy (8)
- 12 A light strong grey lustrous corrosion-resistant metallic element used in strong lightweight alloys (8)
- 13 Struck with fear, dread, or consternation (6)
- 15 United States magician (born in Hungary) famous for his ability to escape from chains, handcuffs, straitjackets or padlocked containers (1874-1926) (5,7)
- 18 A cliff in ancient Rome over which murderers and traitors were thrown (8,4)
- 21 The Roman Goddess of dawn (6)

**Down**

- 1 Capable of being easily extended and resuming former size or shape (8)
- 2 Extramarital sex that wilfully and maliciously interferes with marriage relations (8)
- 3 Horse-drawn vehicle serving as a taxi (7,8)
- 5 Affected by an impairment of normal physical or mental function (4)
- 6 Perennial Eurasian plant established in North America having broad coarsely toothed leaves with copious stinging hairs (8,7)
- 7 (geology) deposited, carried or eroded by wind (6)
- 8 In the original or natural place or site (2,4)
- 11 Politicians serving in the European Parliament (4-3)
- 14 The supreme commander of a fleet (7)
- 16 An eastern French region rich in iron-ore deposits (8)
- 17 Greek island in the northern Sporades group (8)

- 22** Single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms lacking chlorophyll that reproduce by fission; important as pathogens and for biochemical properties (8)
- 24** A landlocked republic in south central Africa formerly called Rhodesia; achieved independence from the United Kingdom in 1980 (8)
- 25** Somewhat elderly (6)
- 26** Travelling in a small boat powered by a paddle (8)
- 27** Estimate or determine the nature, value, quality, ability, extent, or significance of (6)
- 19** French novelist; he portrays the complexity of 19th century French society (1799-1850) (6)
- 20** Elected vice president in Roosevelt's 4th term; became 33rd President of the United States on Roosevelt's death in 1945 and was elected President in 1948; authorized the use of atomic bombs against Japan (1884-1972) (6)
- 23** Stately heavy-bodied aquatic bird with very long neck and usually white plumage as adult (4)