



Across

- 1 1939 novel whose more than 50'000 words do not contain a single "E" (6)
- 4 Sir Roy, youngest ever director of the V&A (6)
- 9 Thomas Sutphen's first wife in *Absalom, Absalom!* (7)
- 10 _____ DeGeneres who played _____ Morgan in the US TV sitcom _____ (5)
- 11 Style sung by Carlos Acuña and danced by Pyotr Leschenko (5)
- 12 Sir Peter, actor and raconteur who died in Switzerland in 2004 (7)
- 13 Kubrick period drama based on a novel by Thackeray (5,6)
- 18 Key word in the title of Salman Rushdie's controversial 1988 novel (7)
- 20 Leonardo DiCaprio played him opposite Claire Danes for Baz Luhrmann (5)
- 22 He always has his security blanket with him (5)
- 23 Spanish philosopher who retold the Cain & Abel story in *Abel Sánchez* (7)
- 24 Dracula's creator (6)
- 25 Lead singer of *Echo Beach* band (6)

Down

- 1 *Literae Humaniores* at Oxford University (6)
- 2 French-born film star once described as the male Brigitte Bardot (5)
- 3 Sir Andrew, Scottish doctor of tropical diseases, rugby player and author (7)
- 5 Middle (stage) name of co-author and performer of *Wishing Well* (5)
- 6 *Opera seria* by Handel based on an epic poem by Ariosto (7)
- 7 Adopted home city of 2dn (7)
- 8 Roman ambassador who demanded tribute from Cymbeline (5,6)
- 14 The name of the Merchant of Venice (7)
- 15 US rock band fronted by Kurt Cobain (7)
- 16 There are 150 of these in this book of the Bible (6)
- 17 The *Hertfordshire* _____, a 19th century catalogue of apples and pears (6)
- 19 Elizabethan pamphleteer and erotic versifier (5)
- 21 Evadne, Gilbert Adair's sleuth in a trilogy of Agatha Christie parodies (5)