



Across

- 7 State in northwestern North America; the 49th state admitted to the union (6)
- 8 Member of a Bantu people living chiefly in Botswana and western South Africa (6)
- 9 Cheeselike food made of curdled soybean milk (4)
- 10 Three-headed dog guarding the entrance to Hades; son of Typhon (8)
- 11 One of two official languages of Norway; based on rural dialects (7)
- 13 Any sacred song used to praise the deity (5)
- 15 Constellation on the equator to the east of Taurus; contains Betelgeuse and Rigel (5)
- 17 (Of a bet) laid on two adjacent numbers or cards (1,6)
- 20 National park in California (8)
- 21 Republic in the Middle East scene of the ancient civilization of Mesopotamia (4)
- 23 Abnormal state in which the normal flow of a liquid (such as blood) is slowed or stopped (6)

Down

- 1 The highest male voice and the lowest femal voice (4)
- 2 Formerly the basic monetary unit of Portugal; equal to 100 centavo (6)
- 3 Political theory advocating an authoritarian hierarchical government (as opposed to democracy or liberalism) (7)
- 4 United States concert violinist (born in Russia in 1920) (5)
- 5 Young night birds (6)
- 6 The common eel genus (8)
- 12 A town on the Isle of Wight, England and a town in southwestern Nova Scotia, Canada (8)
- 14 A fast movement (usually in triple time) (7)
- 16 Port city of south central Ukraine on an arm of the Black Sea (6)
- 18 Hebrew prophet in the Old Testament who opposed the worship of idols; he was persecuted for rebuking Ahab and Jezebel (king and queen of Israel); he was taken up to heaven in a chariot of fire (circa 9th century BC) (6)

24 Member of an ancient Jewish sect in Judea in the first century who fought to the death against the Romans and who killed or persecuted Jews who collaborated with the Romans (6)

19 Capital of Belarus and of the Commonwealth of Independent States (5)

22 Hebrew shepherd and minor prophet (4)