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- 1 Anticipate (6)
- 7 Focused (7)
- **8** Mathematical operation (8)
- 9 Mammal with stripes (5)
- 10 Citizens of Ireland (5)
- 11 Game played on table (4)
- **12** Proposal (5)
- 15 Cooks in water (5)
- 16 Music genre for the Village People (5)
- 19 Groovy lamp type (4)
- **20** Bizet's Carmen, eg (5)

- **21** Braid hair (5)
- 22 Judgement; settlement (8)
- 23 Made possible (7)
- **24** Implored (6)

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- 1 Studied closely (8)
- 2 Desserts (8)
- **3** Collar (5)
- 4 Boys, later on (3)
- 5 "History repeats _____" (6)
- 6 Academic qualification (6)
- 7 Hard to understand (11)

- 9 Places where you might find a 9Across (4)
- 13 Turning to ice (8)
- **14** Stayed (8)
- 15 Gondola for one (4)
- 17 Australia, eg (6)
- 18 Strives for Everest's peak (6)
- 20 Fruit for a martini (5)
- 22 Overnight moisture (3)