

ACROSS

- 1** Retribution (4-7)
8 Kidnapper's victim (7)
9 Worshipper of Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva (5)
11 ___ in the sky, optimistic but hopeless aim (3)
12 Young heroine of a Roald Dahl novel (7)
13 As a consequence of (3,2)
14 Despite that (4,2)
16 1982 Ben Kingsley film (6)
19 Did your democratic duty (5)
21 Craft of creative paper-folding (7)
23 ___ *Now or Never*, Elvis Presley hit (3)
24 Wide boys (5)
25 Physical endurance (7)
26 Hardly used (2,4,2,3)

DOWN

- 2** Inception (5)
3 Makes it possible for (7)
4 Provide funds in advance (6)
5 Was painful (5)
6 Be in competition (7)
7 Reflexive pronoun (10)
10 Timeworn, platitudinous (10)
15 Involves (7)
17 Creatures (7)
18 Hurlled (6)
20 Modern dance hall (5)
22 Quick-moving (5)

