

ACROSS

- 1 Pressurise, force (6)
- 4 Develop new features gradually (6)
- 9 Overall chief (7)
- 10 Admit guilt (3,2)
- 11 Jesters (4)
- 12 Liquid loss (7)
- 14 Lease payment (6)
- 16 Monsters (6)
- 19 Country bordering Slovenia (7)
- 21 Children's playthings (4)
- 23 Large African animal (5)
- 24 Well described (7)
- 25 ___ Van Outen, TV and musicals star (6)
- 26 Irritating inconvenience (6)

DOWN

- 1 Instance (4)
- 2 Account for (7)
- 3 Game with rooks and bishops (5)
- 5 Infringe (7)
- 6 ___ Barker, TV interior designer (5)
- 7 Strong black Italian coffee (8)
- 8 Prickly shrub (5)
- 13 Acquired, obtained (8)
- 15 Feats (7)
- 17 Mows down (7)
- 18 Long sharp teeth (5)
- 20 Pungent bulb (5)
- 21 Bejewelled headband (5)
- 22 Highest point (4)

