

ACROSS

- 8 Arousing strong feelings (7)
- 9 Bring (pressure) to bear (5)
- 10 Highly proficient (5)
- 11 Exclude (4,3)
- 12 Income support for parents (5,7)
- 16 Place where troops assemble (6,6)
- 20 Answer (7)
- 23 Young and innocent (5)
- 24 Female family member (5)
- 25 Spectator (7)

DOWN

- 1 Kingly, majestic (5)
- 2 Joined, united (8)
- 3 Small handgun (6)
- 4 Take the skin off (4)
- 5 Warning light (6)
- 6 Zilch (4)
- 7 Decree (7)
- 13 Plead (3)
- 14 Window above a door (8)
- 15 Prudent (7)
- 17 Buzzes, hums (6)
- 18 Highly embellished (6)
- 19 Jewel produced by an oyster (5)
- 21 Have the appearance of (4)
- 22 Daybreak (4)

