

ACROSS

- 6 Hosiery fabric (5)
- 7 Soils (6)
- 9 Starchy milk pudding (7)
- 10 In a higher position (5)
- 11 Smart ____, know-it-all (4)
- 13 Brand-name oaty biscuit (6)
- 15 Motorcycle fan (5)
- 16 Set of electronic buttons (6)
- 17 Delicate web-like fabric (4)
- 20 Cantankerous (5)
- 22 Learner at work (7)
- 23 Smoothing (the fingernails) (6)
- 24 Fumes, vapours (5)

DOWN

- 1 Difficult to hold, like an eel (8)
- 2 Diplomatic agent (5)
- 3 Normal, customary (5)
- 4 Principal bullfighter (7)
- 5 Disengage (4)
- 6 Despite (2,6,2)
- 8 Exhaustion, languor (10)
- 12 Free, disencumber (3)
- 13 Cut, carve (3)
- 14 Tidy state (8)
- 15 Look after children for money (7)
- 18 Male deer (5)
- 19 Rail track's width (5)
- 21 Ocean vessel (4)

