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- 20 Lovely girl's name (Montez, Lovell, Lola etc.)
- 21 Lovely girl's name (Luxemburg, Parks, Bonheur etc.)

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Across

- World weary 4th grade teacher at Springfield Elementary School in *The Simpsons*
- 9 Famous bear
- 10 Primordial mother in Wagner's Ring rising from the earth and visible from waist only to deliver haunting aria, "Weiche, Wotan, Weiche! Flieh' des Ringes Fluch!" warning headstrong god about terrible power of ring
- 11 Person from scenic island in eastern Aegean
- 13 Lament of grief, pity, or concern
- 14 Maurice Gibb *or* Mick Gatto *or* Michael Gudinski *or* Moe Green (initials)
- 15 Endless Night (initials)
- 17 Belief that you are hugely important and that everything you do is great
- 18 Exclamation indicating sudden dawning of comprehension
- 19 Lovely place to live
- 22 Woodwind instrument known for haunting, faraway, reedy sound in music of Bach, Mozart and Soft Machine
- 23 Body of stagnant water
- 24 Allow tongue to hang loosely from mouth creating effect of religious rapture or imbecility
- **25** Early 70s idol (initials)
- 26 State of serenity and freedom from mental turmoil or disturbance

Down

- "So excellent!" Popular comic creation from 80s (not Con the Fruiterer or Tuckerbag) (5, 4)
- 2 Troubled Louisianan at centre of landmark 1973 legal decision overturned in 2022 by conservative SCOTUS (not her real name)
- 3 Cultural institution in North Terrace, Adelaide with collection highlights Dr John Armstrong by Reynolds, Priestess of Delphi by John Collier, The Life of Stars by Lindy Lee and Wittgenstein's brush with Vorticism by Gareth Sansom
- 4 Term designating concentration in southeast US of fervent, socially conservation, churchgoing Christians largely representing present-day transmogrification of Ku Klux Klan (5, 4)
- 5 Thick fog esp. in London (colloquial)
- **6** Pro re nata (initials)
- 7 Sullivan, McMahon, Kuepper, Wood, Mister etc.
- 8 "I saw him and ...!" Terrible admission by mysterious figure Kundry in Wagner's *Parsifal* about behaviour at Crucifixion revealing why she is a thousand years old but won't die
- 12 Famous Shakespearean study in dark triad sociopathy
- Name shared by long-serving, anti-conscription, Irish-born, Catholic archbishop of Melbourne, hyperactive *Uncanny X-Men* singer in 80s and action-packed US crime show notable for level of violence meted out to titular star inc. repeated blows to abdomen by goons in most episodes
- Mountain in Jordan overlooking so-called Israel from which Moses was permitted to view Holy Land though forbidden to enter as punishment for earlier transgression in Wilderness of Zin involving rock