

Across

- 1 UK pop duo from 80s disbanded after tragic early death of member (*Respectable*) (3, 3, 3)
- **10** Beautiful garden from which mankind was expelled to life of misery for disobeying G-d
- 11 "Can you dig it? CAN YOU DIG IT?" Battle of 401 BC between Cyrus the Younger and Artaxerxes II recounted by Xenophon in Anabasis with gripping story about journey home of the survivors of the Ten Thousand Greek mercenaries stranded in Babylonia after death of Cyrus and failure of mission (with modern retelling as journey from Van Cortlandt Park in the Bronx to Conev Island in Walter Hill masterwork The Warriors)
- 12 Popular Hugh Jackman role (not Jean Valjean or Peter Allen)
- Northern Territory University (initials) 14
- Initials shared by lauded playwright (Death 15 of a Salesman), marvelous veteran thespian (Citizen Kane, Bewitched) and disgraced ABC TV show host (Collectors)
- **16** Remote Siberian region known for enormous, unexplained explosion of 1908 investigated by special agent Fox Mulder for evidence of alien involvement
- 19 Popular host of *The Tarax Show* in 60s with Princess Panda and Cousin Roy known for ebullient manner and plaid jacket (initials)
- Troubled Gen X icon (Smells Like Teen Spirit) 20 known for signature bad grooming (initials)
- Slave name of Muhammed Ali (initials) 21

- 23 Existential threat or Epic Theatre (initials)
- 25 2.5-Dimethoxy-4-methylamphetamine (street name in 60s)
- 27 Hereditary disease involving inability of blood to clot prevalent in ruling dynasties of Europe notably Romanovs
- 30 Die from drugs
- 32 Cast iron English stove
- 33 English mathematician known for famous diagram
- 34 Remick, Majors, Hazelwood, Harvey Oswald
- 36 Add territory from someone else's country to one's own (Sudetenland, Golan Heights, East Jerusalem etc.) (also rooms added to a main building creating additional space or accommodation such as where Anne Frank lived on Prinsengracht Canal) 38
 - Whose turgid crossword are you doing?
- 40 Disgraced English historian gaoled in Austria for attempting to revive National Socialism (The Destruction of Dresden etc.) (initials) 41 United Arab Republic (initials)
- 43 Region where Fraser Anning thinks there are
- too many violent, unassimilable Muslims

Down

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Grindingly dull Lars von Trier film notable for transcendent Tristan and Isolde prelude on soundtrack and neat depiction of end of the world at start

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- 2 Biblical kingdom bordering Judah populated by descendants of Esau hated by G-d ("And I will stretch out my hand against you, and I will make you a desolation and a waste etc.") 18
- 3 Section or stage of a journey or race (often by sea)
- 4 Curse of exclusion pronounced on dissident members of community by Rabbis (Baruch Spinoza, David Cole etc.)
- Initials shared by adorable teen heartthrob 5 (The Partridge Family), US TV show host known for mellifluous baritone voice and fro (Soul Train) and satanic Vice President and war criminal (invasion of Iraq etc.)
- 6 Maverick 91-year-old Swiss Catholic priest, theologian and author (*Does God Exist?* etc.) banned from teaching in 1979 by John Paul II for rejection of papal infallibility
- Relying on what one feels instinctively to be 7 true rather than rational argument based on empirical evidence
- 8 Famous holocaust comic by Art Spiegelman praised by semioticians for post-modern appropriation of funny animals comic strip genre (Germans as cats, Jews as mice, Poles as pigs etc.)
- 9 Hindu deity regarded as seventh avatar of Vishnu

- Nigerian uranium (initials) 13
- Barbara Feldon role in greatly loved 60s TV 17 classic (initials)
- Controversial Polish actor (Doctor Zhivago, For a Few Dollars More, Crawlspace, Aguirre, the Wrath of God etc.) who refused role of Nazi villain in Raiders of the Lost Ark calling it "a vawn-making, boring pile of shit" (initials)
- 22 Arresting Man Ray work of 1922 consisting of a flat iron with nails glued to it
- Elaborate garment from ancient Rome as seen 24 on Epic Theatre
- 25 Shemp Howard or Sam Harris or Sid Halen (initials)
- 26 Picaresque Henry Miller novel and second part of trilogy entitled The Rosy Crucifixion
- 28 Greatly loved 60s Australian children's TV show hostess known for role as magical princess on The Tarax Show and zest for life
- 29 Fashionable, current, part of up-to-the-minute cultural elite (no longer in use)
- Excellent *Nirvana* song (initials) 35
- Zilch, nada, bupkis, none 37
- 39 Simon Templar *or* Shirley Temper (initials) 42
 - Alien invasion (initials)

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