## ACROSS

1 Novel, originally published anonymously, written by Benjamin and Sarah Disraeli $(1,4,2,10)$
10 Offered something as a guarantee of good faith (5) 11 Fruity sounds of disapproval? (11)
12 Actor who found fame as Joseph in the 2007 revival of the Lloyd Webber/Rice musical $(3,4)$ 13 Neurological disease causing stiffness and paralysis of the legs in humans and animals (9) 14 A short valley on a hillside or coastline, especially in Devon (5) 15 Another name for a gunner (11)

18 The. $\qquad$ Harold Robbins novel (1961) (13)
21 Mammal found in Africa and Asia, also called ratel $(5,6)$
22 Genus that includes the reedmace and cattail (5)
24 Descriptive of something or someone unsophisticated or petty (5-4)
27 Town and racecourse in County Tipperary (7)
28 Casual clothing for relaxing activities (11)
29 Short sequence between programmes on TV for channel recognition (5)
30 Sixth London railway terminal, opened in 1852 (5,5,7)

## DOWN

1 Candied leaf-stalks used in cake decoration (8)
2 Painter of the Spanish Renaissance, born Domenikos
Theotokopoulos $(2,5)$
3 Producer and creator of Star Trek (1966-69) (11)
4 Fitted with a rubber cushion or tube around a wheel rim (5)
5 Same title, different hits for The Jam (1981) and David Bowie (1986) $(8,9)$

6 District of South Jakarta where Barack Obama lived in the late 1960s (5)
7 Younger child in US animated cartoon The Jetsons (5)

8 Organisations which maintain infrastructure and provide services (eg gas, electricity, water) (9)
9 National Park in California's Sierra Mountains (8)
15 BBC arts documentary series first broadcast in 1975 (5)
16 Semi-automatic hand weapon also known as a Pistole Parabellum (5)
17 Musical style derived from techno and rave but with more ambient or cerebral qualities (11)
18 Communication of disease from one person to another by close contact (9)
19 Of Turkic origin, meaning skewerable; originally a mutton kebab (8)
20 A thin muslin fabric used for stiffening ball dresses (8)
23 Unesco World Heritage site
in Italy's Campania region (7)
25 French gold coin issued
between 1640 and 1793 (5)
26 Someone or something unique or outstanding in any way (3-2)
27 Roman goddess of agriculture (5)


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