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**Across**

- 11 US dramatist who wrote the Pulitzer Prize-winning 1929 play *Street Scene* (5,4)
- 12 Of, or relating to, the back of the head or skull (9)
- 13 Georges ---, French Romantic composer and pianist best known for the 1875 opera *Carmen* (5)
- 14 The capital of Iraq, on the River Tigris (7)
- 15 --- out, to render a sound inaudible by making a loud noise (5)
- 16 A person who deserts their cause or faith for another (8)
- 18 The title character of a folk tale who, with the help of a fairy godmother, marries a prince (10)
- 22 William Ewart ---, statesman who served as Prime Minister four times in the 19th Century (9)
- 24 The --- Brief, legal thriller starring Denzel Washington and Julia Roberts (7)
- 27 Person who accumulates a store of things and hides it away for future use (7)
- 28 A variety of garden pea with an edible pod (9)
- 30 Applications of medicines, surgery or psychotherapy to patients (10)
- 32 A high-ranking priest in the Roman Catholic Church (8)
- 35 In athletics, a short bar carried by competitors in a relay race (5)
- 37 Alexander ---, Scottish

- bacteriologist who discovered penicillin (7)
- 38 In certain Native American societies, an object, animal or plant symbolising a clan (5)
- 39 An increase or addition, especially one of a series (9)
- 40 Chinese philosopher and teacher of ethics whose doctrines were compiled after his death (9)

**Down**

- 1 Plant grown for its large, brightly-coloured, daisy-like flowers (7)
- 2 1779 Christian hymn with lyrics by English poet and clergyman John Newton (7,5)
- 3 Small, hard particles of sand, earth or stone (4)
- 4 Fictional sailor, the hero of a story-cycle of Middle Eastern origin (6)
- 5 Grass-like plant typically growing on wet ground (5)
- 6 Large birds of the family Columbidae, with white patches on the wings and neck (4,7)
- 7 Soviet-made surface-to-surface missile used by Iraq in the 1990-91 Gulf War (4)
- 8 --- crab, crustacean with a small, triangular body and very long legs (6)
- 9 Name of four Holy Roman Emperors, the last of whom was deposed in 1215 (4)
- 10 Green-skinned, banana-like fruits, eaten as a staple

- food in many tropical countries (9)
- 17 A cell or organ that synthesises chemical substances and secretes them for the body to use or eliminate (5)
- 19 (Of music) having two beats in a bar (5)
- 20 Roy ---, 20th Century American pop artist and sculptor (12)
- 21 The ---, 1987 novel by Irish writer Roddy Doyle (11)
- 23 A session of overindulgence, especially in drinking or squandering money (5)
- 25 Marie ---, English music hall entertainer (5)
- 26 The young of herrings or sprats, cooked and eaten whole (9)
- 29 The national variety of the Dutch language as spoken in Belgium (7)
- 31 A ship, lorry or aircraft designed to carry liquid in bulk (6)
- 33 An archaic, poetic or heraldic word for silver (6)
- 34 Mechanical device for lifting heavy objects (5)
- 36 A pleat or fold in a garment usually stitched down so as to make it a better fit (4)
- 37 A small, parasitic insect, noted for its power of leaping (4)
- 38 A long, shallow basket made of curved strips of wood, used for carrying flowers or fruit (4)

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