FROM A TO Z

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This crossword variety has 26 clues, each of which begins with a different letter of the alphabet. These letters have been removed and replaced by blanks. Transfer these letters into the correspondingly numbered squares in the grid which will help you know where to place the answers. Note that each of the 26 answers begins with a different letter of the alphabet, and it's never the same letter as the initial letter of its clue.

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| 1 | ench-warmer's |
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| | plea: 2 wds. |
| 2 | lvin's band: 2 wds. |
| 3 | rakatoa, for one |
| 4 | idn't proceed, maybe |
| 5 | ebruary 29: 2 wds. |
| 6 | eader of the Argonauts |
| 7 | ena's weapon |
| 8 | arbage boat |
| 9 | "sst": 2 wds. |
| 10 | uarter among four |
| | people |
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| 11 | "ery nice, mon cheri!": |
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| | 3 wds. |
| 12 | "ou're My Best Friend" |
| | glam rock group |
| 13 | ntrance requirement to |
| | an office building, often: |
| | 2 wds. |
| 14 | "n Language" |
| | columnist Ben |
| 15 | nattentive one's |
| | question |
| 16 | "alo" platform |
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| 17 | nrewarding career |
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| 18 | apatistas, e.g. |
| 19 | ightly curled, like an Afro |
| 20 | ake better, as text |
| 21 | ot acclaimed |
| 22 | ource of linseed oil |
| 23 | ongested-sounding |
| 24 | erry Seinfeld |
| | catchphrase: 3 wds. |
| 25 | ell-dressed modern |
| | male: 2 wds. |
| 26 | Rated, at times |