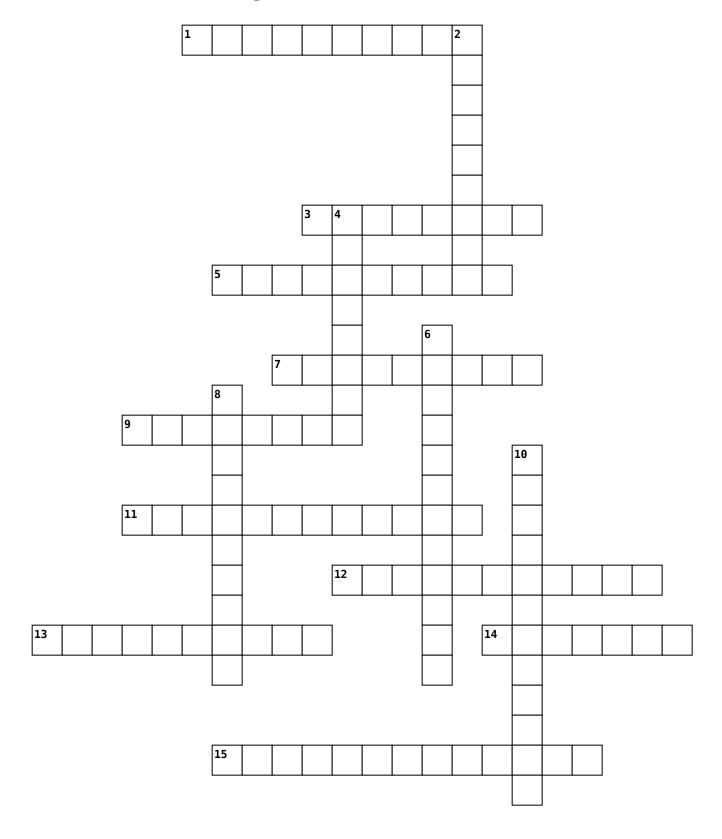
Queen Elizabeth I



Across

1. Brief romantic or sexual relationships.

Down

- **2.** A supreme ruler, especially a monarch.
- **4.** A strong dislike or disinclination.

- **3.** Acuteness of mental discernment and soundness of judgment.
- **5.** Not giving way to pressure; hard or solid.
- 7. The defining spirit or mood of a particular period of history as shown by the ideas and beliefs of the time.
- **9.** A person or thing vital to an enterprise or organization.
- 11. The state of being born to parents not lawfully married, leading to lack of the inheritance rights of a legitimate child.
- 12. Beauty.
- **13.** The place of origin or earliest known history of something.
- **14.** A person or thing regarded as a perfect example of a particular quality.
- **15.** The action or process of developing and unfolding as if coming into flower.

- **6.** The quality of having a ready insight into things; sharpness of vision or intellect.
- **8.** Representing a number of different Christian churches; promoting or relating to unity among the world's Christian churches.
- **10.** Schemes or plots, often crafted with malicious intent.