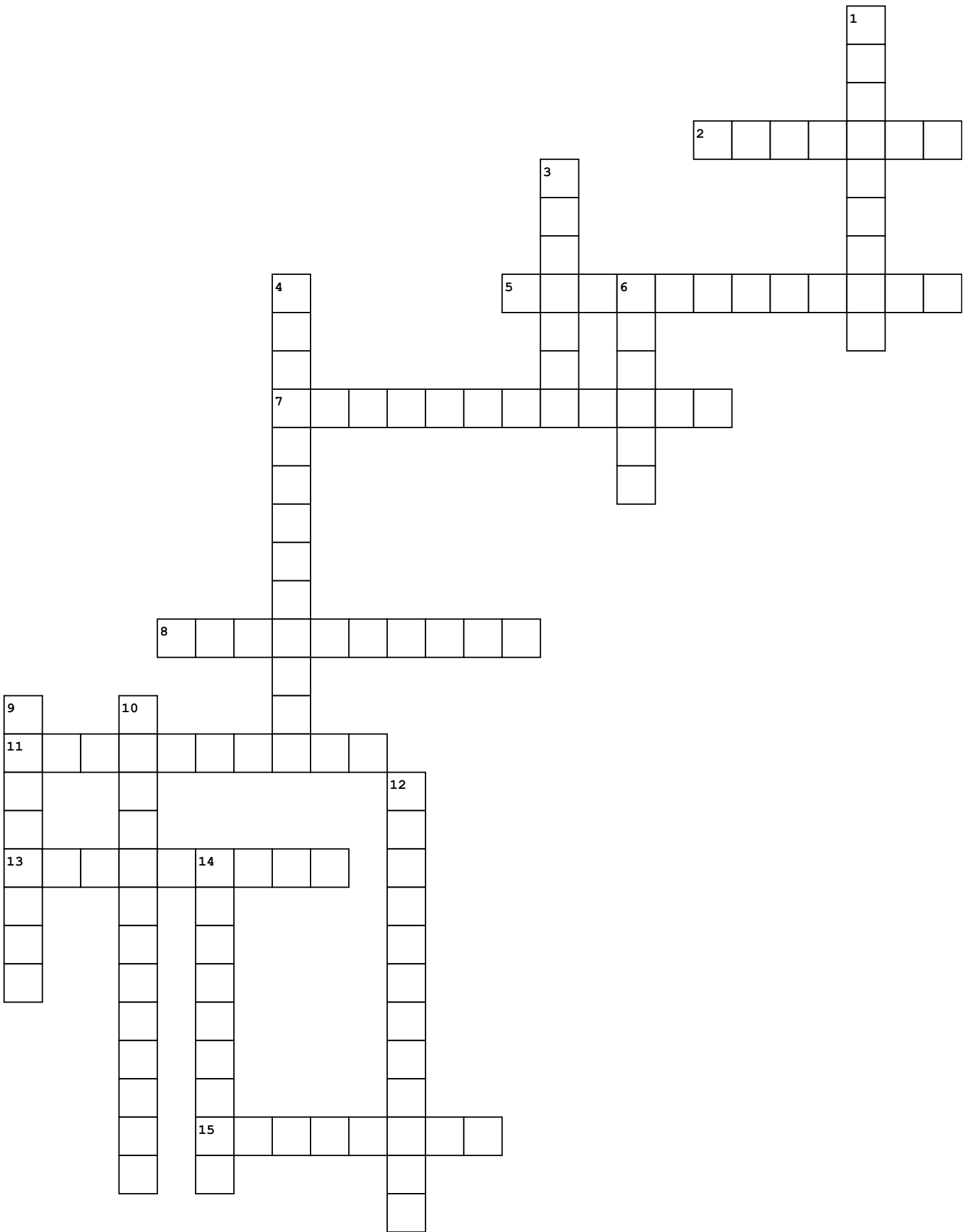


The Role of the Silk Road



Across

2. Highly desired or envied, often referring to a valuable object or status.
5. The ability to adjust to new conditions or environments.
7. Complicated, intricate, and tortuous in structure or arrangement, resembling a labyrinth.
8. The practice or art of choosing, cooking, and eating good food; the study of the relationship between culture and food.
11. The capacity to recover quickly from difficulties; toughness.
13. Making marks that cannot be removed or forgotten, often used metaphorically to describe a lasting effect or impression.
15. In a metaphorical sense, it refers to something that stretches out and winds in a delicate or sinuous manner, like the threadlike parts of a plant or the routes of the Silk Road.

Down

1. The combination of components or elements to form a connected whole, particularly in the context of ideas, styles, or elements.
3. A channel, pipe, or tube for conveying something, particularly a fluid, or in a figurative sense, a means of transmitting or distributing.
4. Rapid increase in the number or amount of something, especially the spread or growth of cells, organisms, or ideas.
6. Serious and immediate dangers or risks.
9. A situation of severe trial, or in which different elements interact, leading to the creation of something new.
10. The act of spreading something, especially information or knowledge, widely.
12. The action, process, or result of combining or uniting multiple entities into one form.
14. The quality of being clever, original, and inventive, particularly in the creation or design of something.