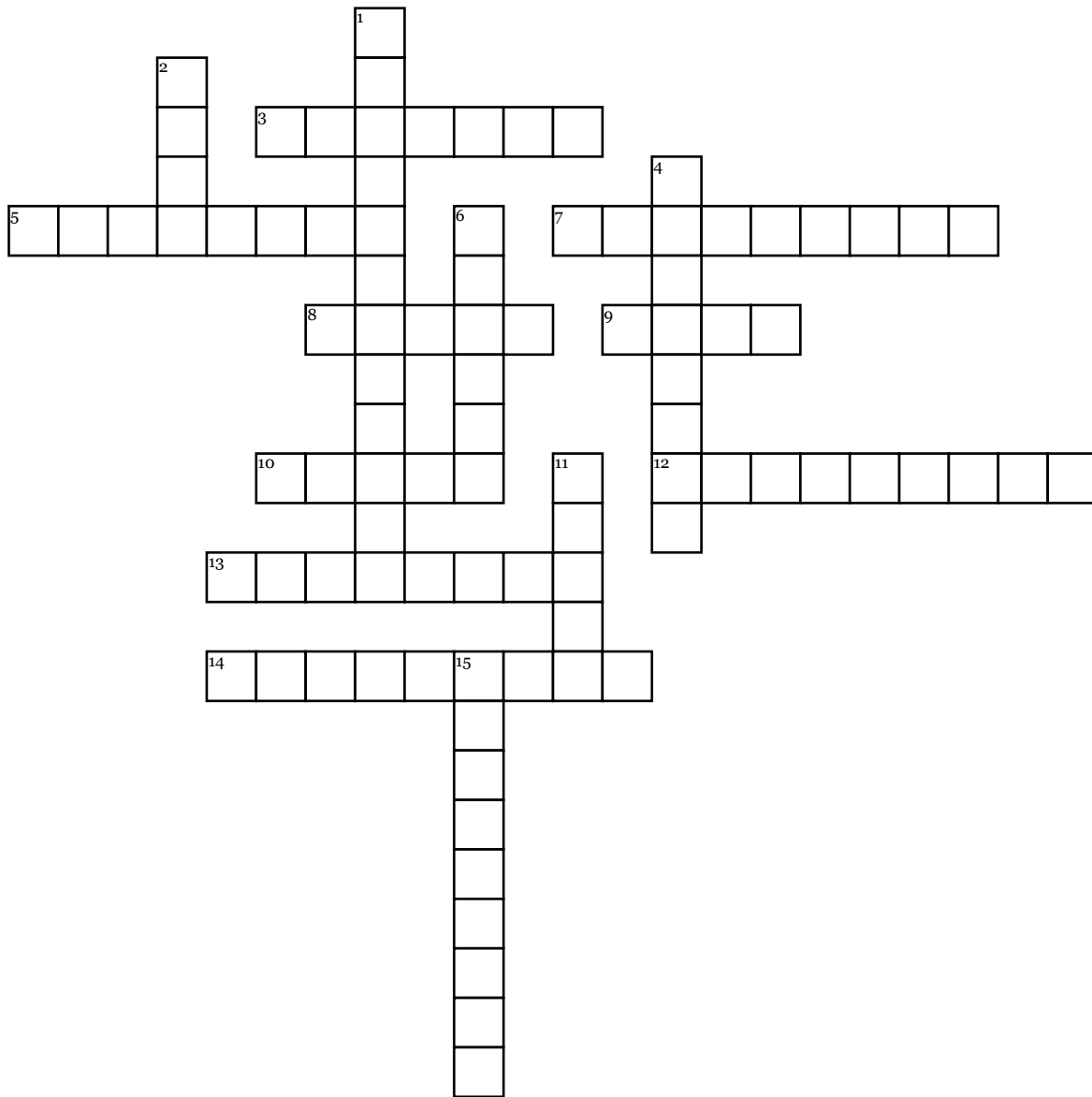


# Common Literary Devices



## Across

**3.** A brief, simple, or popular saying or phrase that gives advice and effectively embodies a commonplace truth based on practical experience or common sense. Also the name of a book in the Bible

**5.** A world in which everything is imperfect, and everything goes terribly wrong. Ex.: Divergent; The Hunger Games

**7.** Polite, indirect expressions that replace words and phrases considered harsh and impolite, or which suggest something unpleasant. Ex.: "kick the bucket"

**8.** An object or idea that repeats itself throughout a literary work

**9.** A measuring unit in poetry made up of stressed and unstressed syllables

**10.** An underlying meaning of a literary work, which may be stated directly or indirectly

**12.** The use of symbols to signify ideas and qualities by giving them meanings that are different from their literal sense

**13.** Makes a comparison between two things without using "like" or "as."

**14.** A figure of speech that involves an exaggeration of ideas for the sake of emphasis

## Down

**1.** A word which imitates the natural sounds of a thing

**2.** The events that make up a story

**4.** A statement of truth or opinion expressed in a concise and witty manner

**6.** An expression that has been overused to the extent that it loses its original meaning or novelty

**11.** A message conveyed by, or a lesson learned from, a story, a poem, or an event

**15.** A persuasive technique and a type of propaganda through which a writer persuades his readers, so that the majority could agree with the argument of the writer