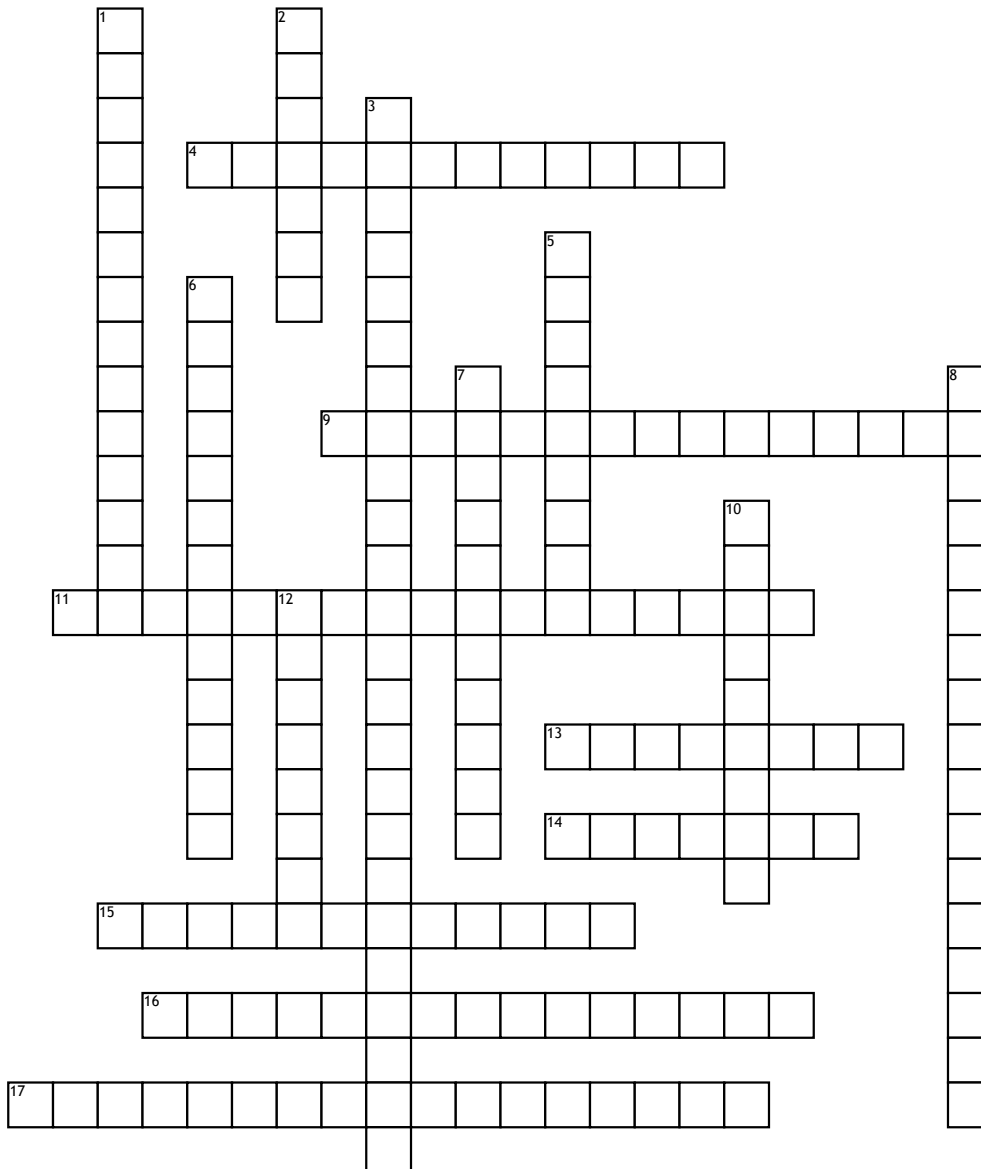


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Constitution Key Terms



Across

4. The first ten amendments of the U.S. Constitution, containing a list of individual rights and liberties, such as freedom of speech, religion, and the press. The picture above shows a plaque with the 10 Amendments making up the Bill of Rights.

9. Constitutional declaration (Article VI) that the Constitution and laws made under its provisions are the greatest law of the land.

11. System of overlapping the powers of the legislative, executive, and judicial branches to permit each branch to check the actions of the others.

13. A statement in a constitution that summarizes the document, its purpose and that sets forward the goals and purposes of government.

14. A group of 13 advisors to the president.

15. The highest federal court in the United States. This picture shows the building they meet in in Washington, D.C.

16. The branch of government, headed by the president, that carries out the nation's laws and policies.

17. Dividing the powers of government among the executive, legislative, and judicial branches.

Down

1. The division of the federal government that is made up of the national courts; interprets laws, punishes criminals, and settles disputes between states

2. To do away with.

3. meeting of delegates in 1787 to revise the Articles of Confederation, which produced the new U.S. Constitution. However, in the beginning, they'd been told to revise the Articles of Confederation

5. A two-house legislature; for example, the Senate and House of Representatives in the Congress (Legislative Branch) of the United States Federal government.

6. Clause in Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution that gives Congress the right to make all laws "necessary and proper" to carry out the powers expressed in the other clauses of Article I.

7. failed 18th Amendment making alcoholic beverages illegal starting in 1920. The Amendment was finally repealed in 1933.

8. Branch of the government responsible for making and passing laws; consists of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

10. A change to the Constitution.

12. The right to vote. The picture above shows a memorial commemorating this.