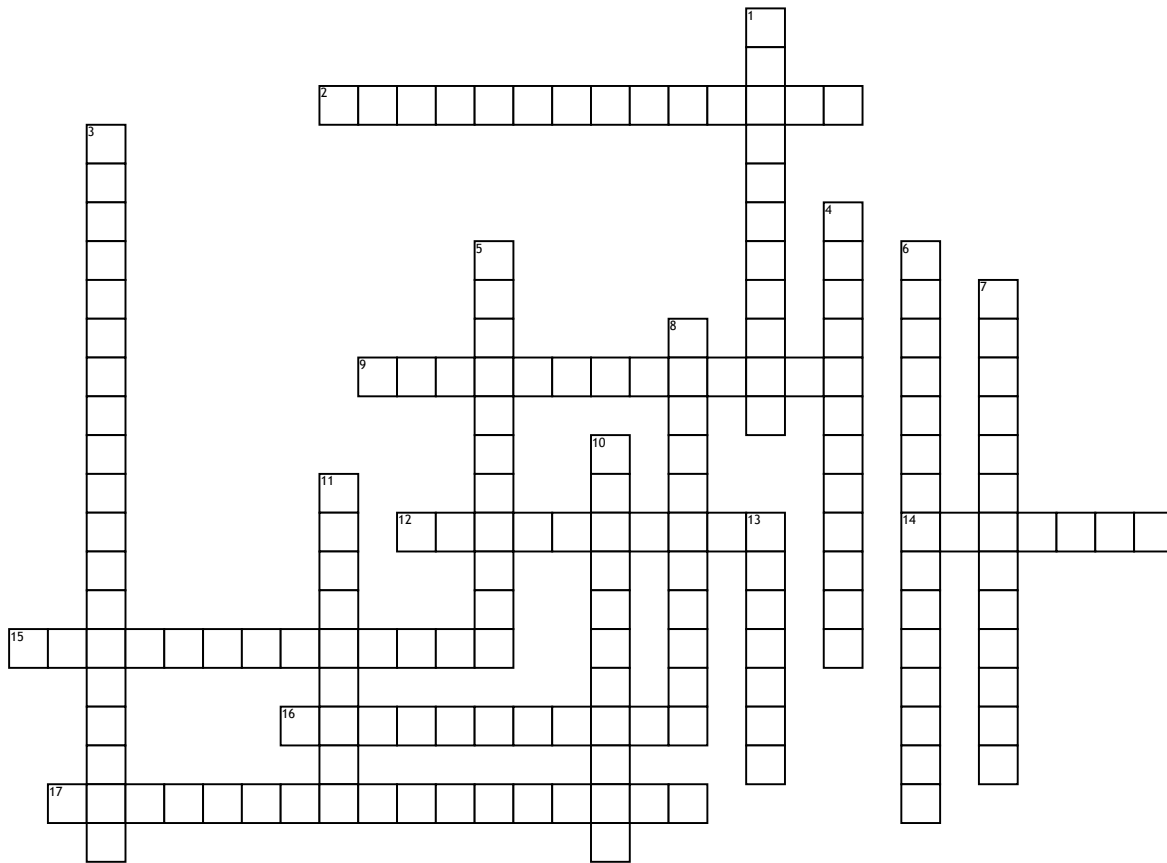


Countdown: World War 1



Across

2. German strategy to win a war on two fronts - against Russia and France - developed in 1905

9. The "sick man of Europe" whose empire, which included the Balkans, was crumbling at the end of the 19th century

12. The glorification and strengthening of the military

14. Area in southeast Europe that includes Bulgaria, Serbia, Romania, Croatia

15. Militaristic leader of Germany from 1888 until the end of World War I

16. Aggressive patriotism

17. The right of a people to maintain independence and control over their country

Down

1. Germany's "world policy" of aggressive territorial expansion

3. The system of alliance intended to create peace through strength in Europe

4. Great Britain, France, US, Russia, Italy

5. A policy of acquiring land, sending settlers, and exploiting it economically

6. This man attempted to maintain Europe's balance of power while building Germany's strength in the years immediately following unification.

7. Germany, Austria-Hungary, Ottoman Empire, Bulgaria

8. A policy of empire building by extending territorial and economic control

10. Bismark's pragmatic and diplomatic approach to establishing Germany as a world power

11. Competition to build the strongest navy

13. Germany TWICE nearly caused war over this country in an attempt to test the strength of the alliance between France and Britain