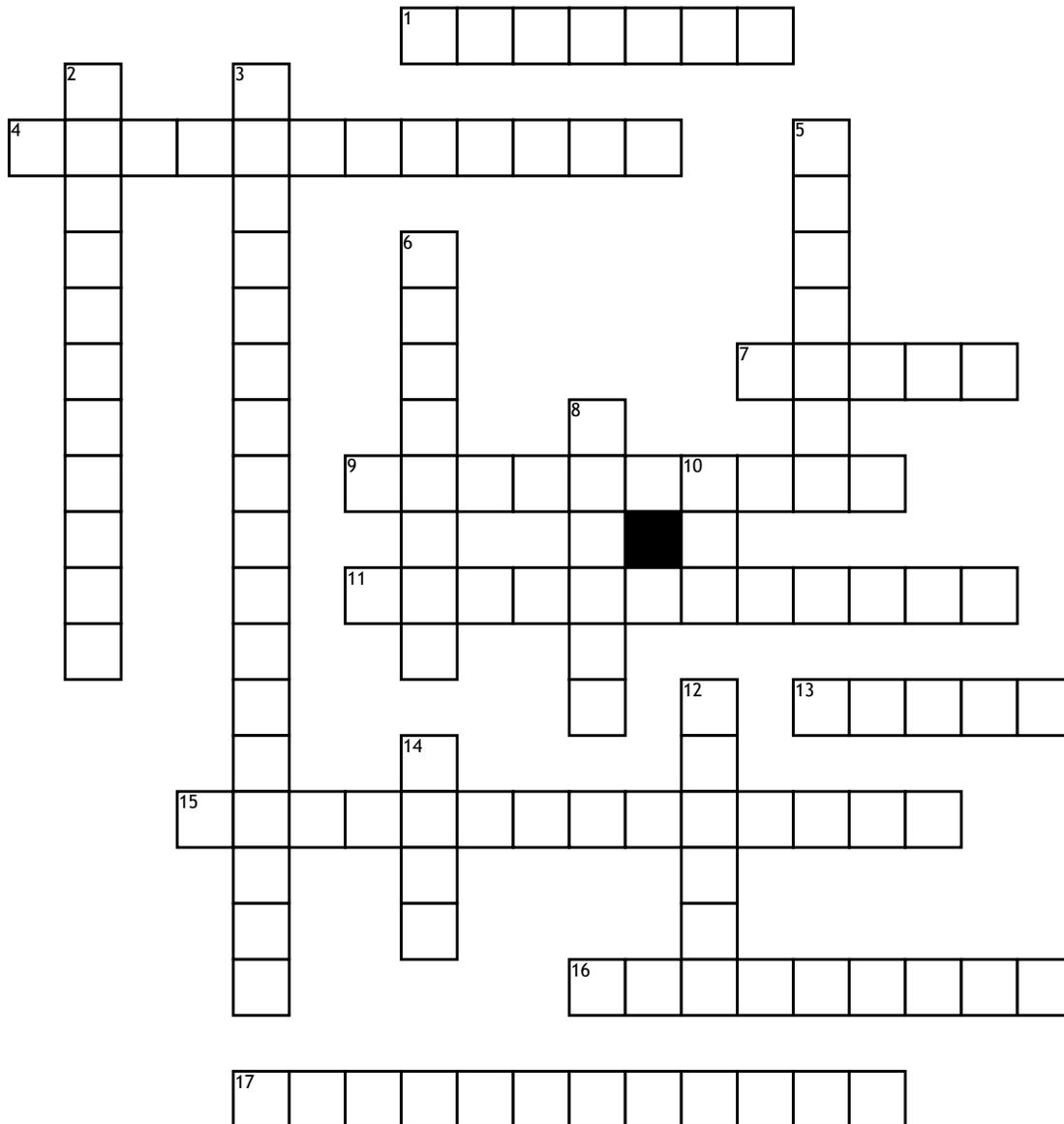# How the internet influences politics

Across

1. parallel, resemblance (8)

4. a person one knows slightly, but who is not a close friend (12)

7. expenses, overheads (5)

9. apparently, by all accounts, so the story goes (10)

11. antonyms: opacity, cloudiness, obscurity, ambiguity, cunning, secrecy (12)

13. seek to influence (a legislator) on an issue (5)

15. false rumour, deceptive claims (14)

16. preconceived opinion (9)

17. long and careful consideration or discussion (12)

Down

2. fit in with the wishes or needs of (11)

3. Off stage and ready to perform (7,2,3,5)

5. chaos (7)

6. balance (8)

8. a time of intense difficulty or danger (6)

10. epoch, period (3)

12. make possible (6)

14. purposes, goals (4)