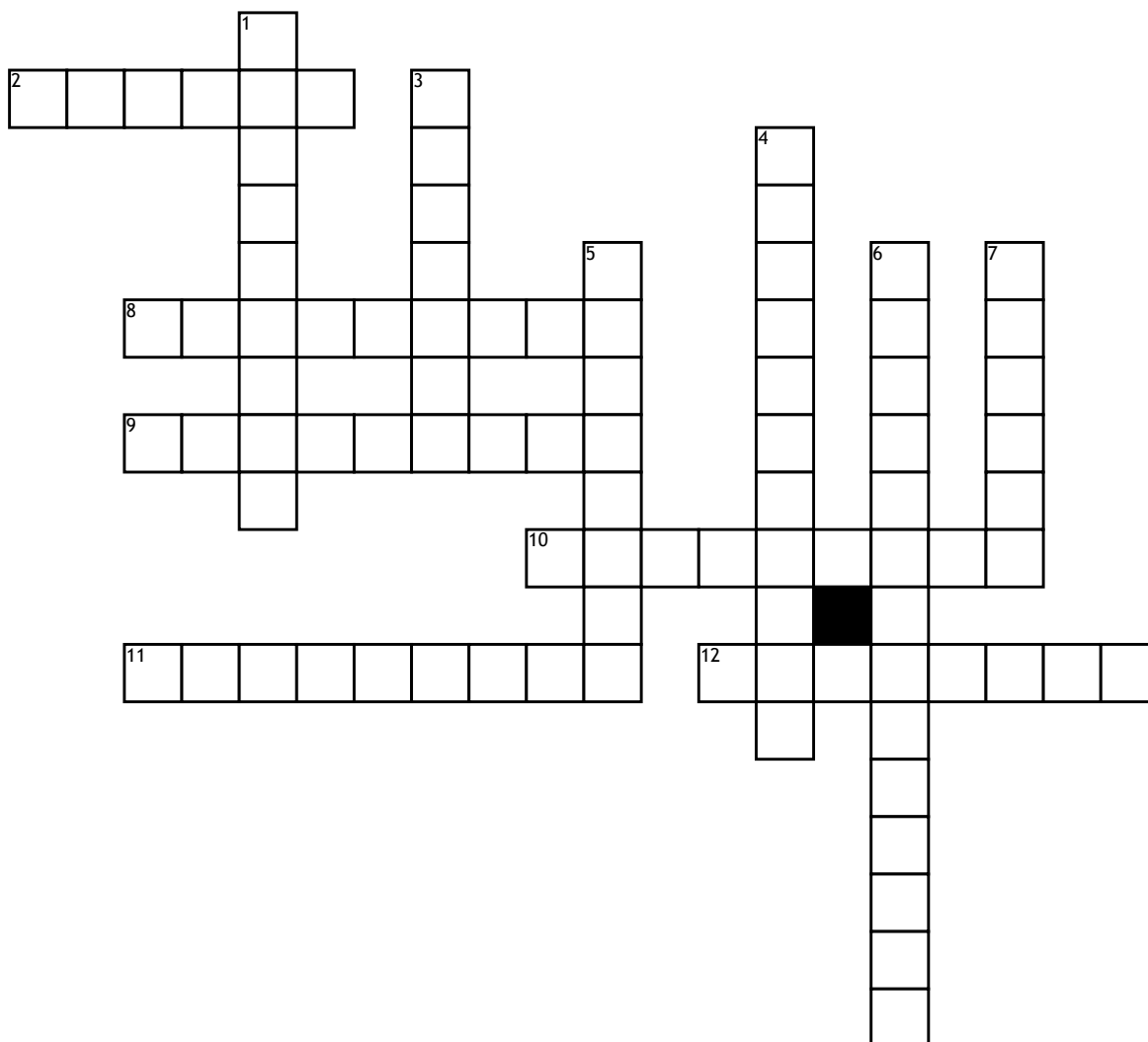


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Intertestamental Era



Across

2. A place where a community of Jews (the Essenes) lived in the desert, trying to live purely, since the Temple and priesthood were corrupted.

8. A place of weekly meeting, prayer, and study of the Hebrew Scriptures; also a center of Jewish social life, in place of the Temple

9. A group of Jews for whom the synagogue, and study of the Law and Scriptures was central.

10. Rich, powerful families of Jews in Jerusalem who were affiliated with the Temple; rejected ideas of an afterlife and spiritual beings.

11. A Jewish group concerned with keeping their dynasty in power; for this, they relied on Roman good will.

12. Name for Jews who were forced to live outside Palestine; means "dispersed."

Down

1. The name of the dynasty that ruled Palestine independently until the Romans took over in 63 BC.

3. A Jewish group seeking independence from Roman rule at any cost - even violence.

4. Roman ruler who tried to subdue the Jewish people after the Greeks, leading to the Maccabean Revolt (164-142 BC)

5. Empire that owned Palestine after the Babylonian Exile (586 BC) until the conquest of Alexander the Great (332 BC)

6. Copies of Old Testament texts found sealed in jars, kept in caves, near the location of Essene settlements.

7. The group that destroyed the Temple in 70 AD and eventually expelled all Jews from Palestine in 132 AD.