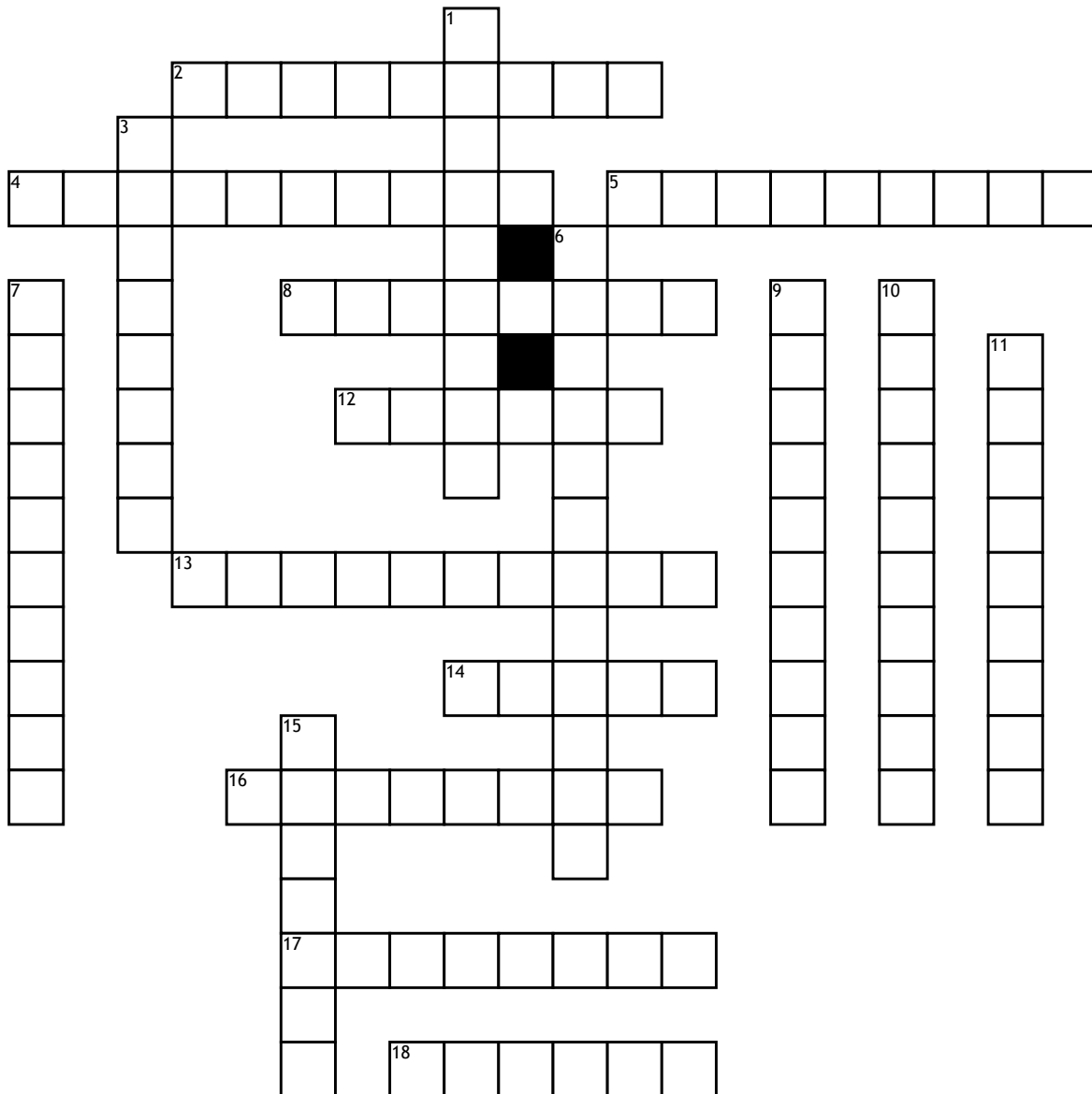


Word of the Week



Across

2. Unoriginal. Cliched. Repeated to often.
 4. Extremely harmful.
 5. To try hard to make something happen.
 8. A very difficult situation.
 12. Direct and honest.
 13. Giving careful attention to detail.
 14. Brief and to the point.

16. Unorthodox and independent-minded.
 17. A hint or suggestion about a person or thing.
 18. A lack of something.

Down

1. Offensive and detestable.
 3. Traditionally accepted thoughts and beliefs.

6. Government by the unprincipled or the least qualified.

7. Opposition to an established system or government.
 9. A person who has an excessive self-interest.
 10. Kind or well-meaning.
 11. To agree to do something, or to give in.
 15. Making a harsh, irritating sound.