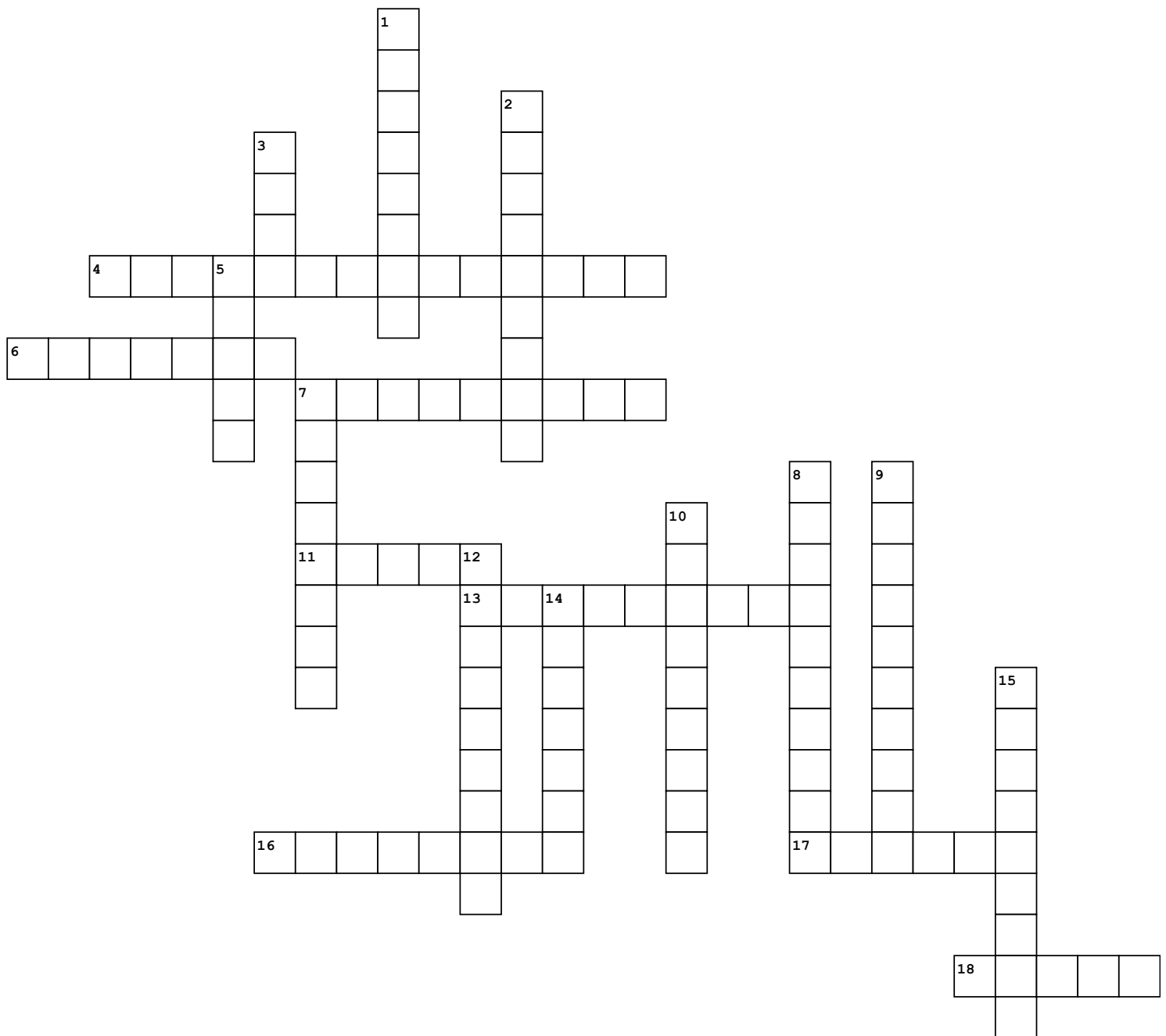


The 3G Cryptic Christmas Crossword Puzzle



Across

4. Muddled, 'e sees fun worlds - finches love these! (9.5)
 6. Canine by the forest gives lovely stems for winter decoration (7)
 7. Standing by crate, knock back these roasted Christmas treats (9)
 11. ___Ingalls Wilder? ___Bush? Or is it a mad dog-lady who lives in West Sussex? (5)

Down

1. Almost a bike? So be it. Such pretty flowers for winter pots! (8)
 2. Holding rage inside, put fork-prong round an Xmas fruit (9)
 3. ___Edmunds? Or another word for Christmas (4)
 5. David___, famous interviewer; or Jack___ nipping at your nose! (5)

13. Sounds like a kind of thrush and a body part -
pucker up! (9)
16. Sounds like Dad cuts these vegetables for the
Christmas feast! (8)
17. ____Paige? ____Stritch? Are they as potty about
roses as this lady?!(6)
18. Prickly festive plant, suitably rhyming with jolly!
(5)
7. ____of Brunswick? Noooo, she lives in Scotland.
(8)
8. A Christmas tree that sounds gloomy but very neat
and tidy (4,6)
9. Gloriously bright Xmas plant which messily I set
in a pot (10)
10. Perfect festive foliage that a clever greengrocer
stocks (9)
12. Showy houseplant with Jesus' mother in the
middle! (9)
14. Declaims about Romeo to give you an Xmas
dinner essential (7)
15. For January and February is it a fighting match, or
scented shrub? (6,3)