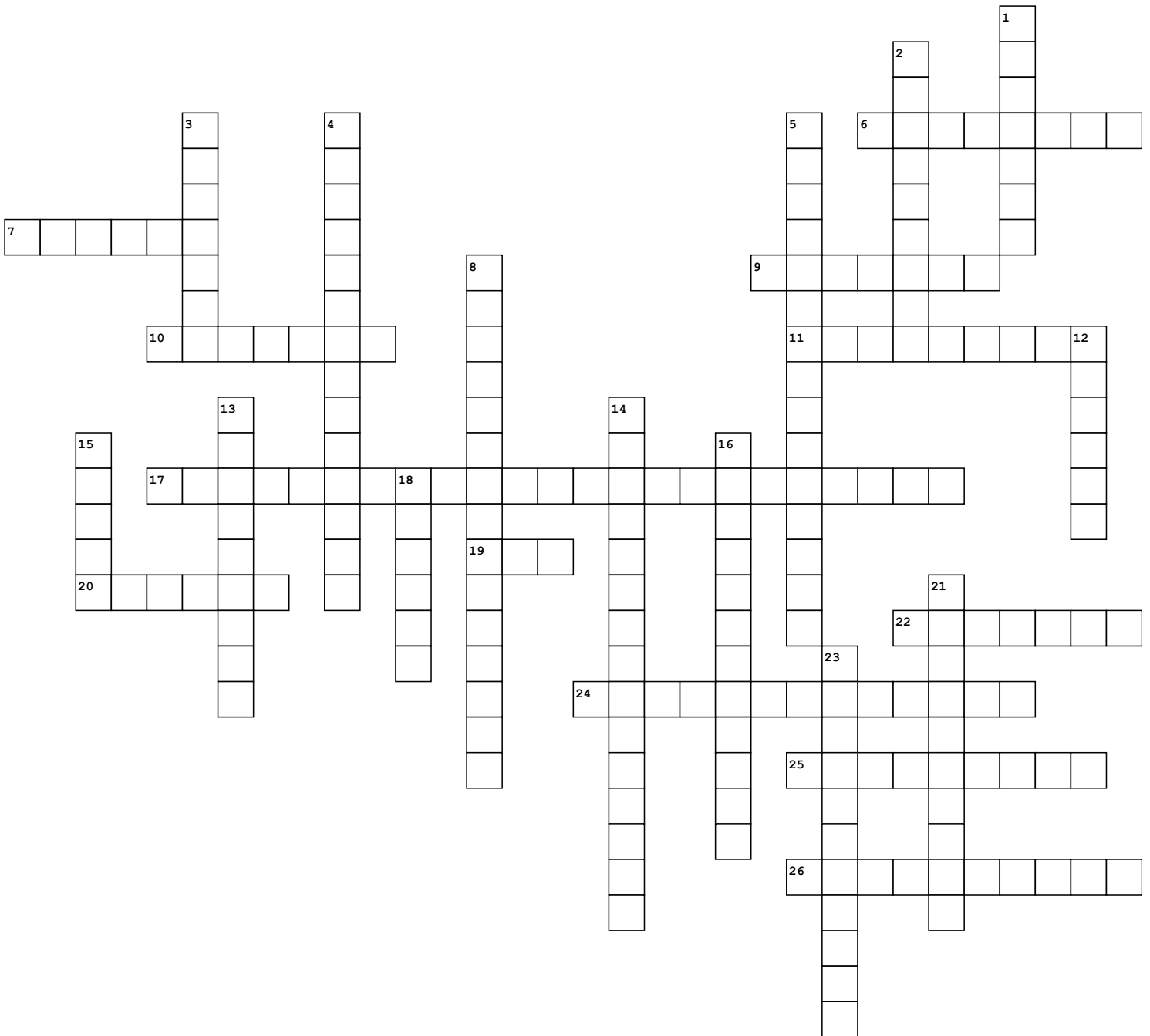


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Across

6. In the 1946 classic film 'It's a wonderful life' what was the name of George Bailey's guardian angel
7. From which country does the poinsettia plant originate
9. Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner and
10. What bird was once hunted on St Stephen's Day in Ireland

Down

1. Who wrote 'How the Grinch Stole Christmas'
2. Who was said to have presented the baby Jesus with Frankincense
3. What is the name of the reindeer with a red nose
4. Which famous actor (The African Queen, Casablanca) was born on Christmas Day
5. What is the Feast of the Epiphany (January 6) also known as

11. What is the birth sign of people born on 25 December
17. Which poem written by Clement Moore was originally titled A Visit from Saint Nicholas
19. How many points does a snowflake have
20. St Nicholas was Bishop of Myra. In which country is Myra
22. On December 13th, girls in Sweden dress as which saint
24. In the song The Twelve Days of Christmas, '...my true love brought to me nine...' what
25. Where does Santa live
26. American cartoonist Thomas Nast is credited with creating the traditional image of which popular Christmas character
8. Who was visited by the Ghost of Christmas Past
12. What is the Irish word for Christmas
13. To whom did the Angel of the Lord appear telling of the birth of Jesus
14. "The Toy Show" is a special seasonal edition of which Irish TV programme
15. After leaving Bethlehem, to which country did Joseph, Mary, and Jesus travel
16. Who wrote the songs for the 1954 film White Christmas
18. What Christmas item takes its name from the old French word estincelle, meaning spark
21. What is the name of the saint who inspired Santa Claus
23. In Charles Dickens' novel A Christmas Carol, who was Scrooge's dead business partner