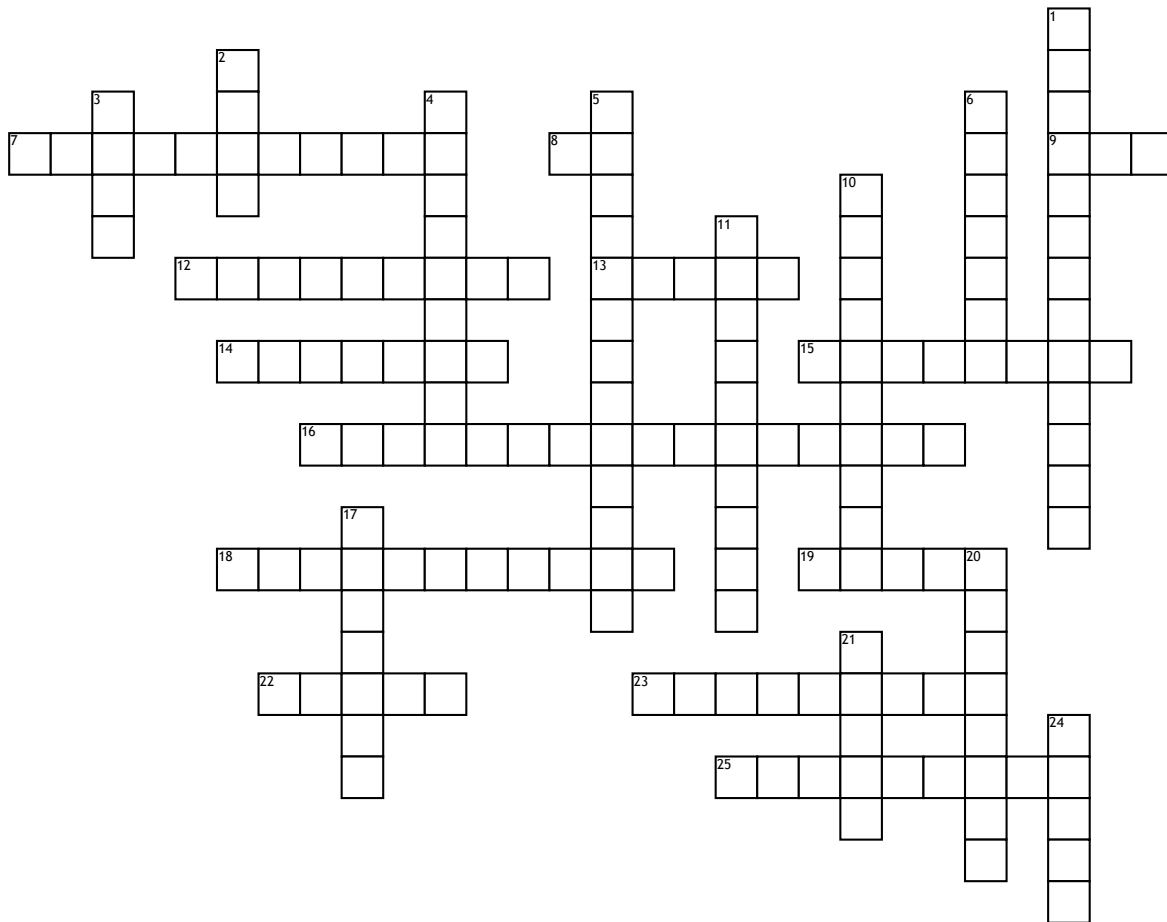


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Astronomy Crossword Puzzle



Across

7. What part of the sun can we see from Earth?
8. What is the distance from the Earth to the Sun called?
9. What takes up most space in our solar system?
12. What has a force of gravity so strong not even light can escape?
13. How many planets are there?
14. What keeps the planets from being pulled into the sun?
15. What is our galaxy called?
16. What is the trapping of heat by a planets atmosphere called?

18. Who sent the first satellite into space?

19. What is the hottest planet?
22. What color is Mercuries sky?
23. What rocky objects are too small to be considered planets?
25. What is the explosion of a large mass star called?

Down

1. What is a formation of stars called?
2. What causes gravity?
3. How many planets have rings?
4. What is a meteor called when it hits Earth?
5. How is a star born?

6. What is the first planet from the sun?

10. What are the huge reddish loops of gas that explodes from the suns surface?
11. What was the name of the space shuttle that blew up at takeoff and killed all of its crew?
17. What is the creation of our universe called?
20. What are the dark spots on the sun called?
21. What orbits around the sun in a long narrow ellipse?
24. What is the only planet that can sustain life in our solar system called?