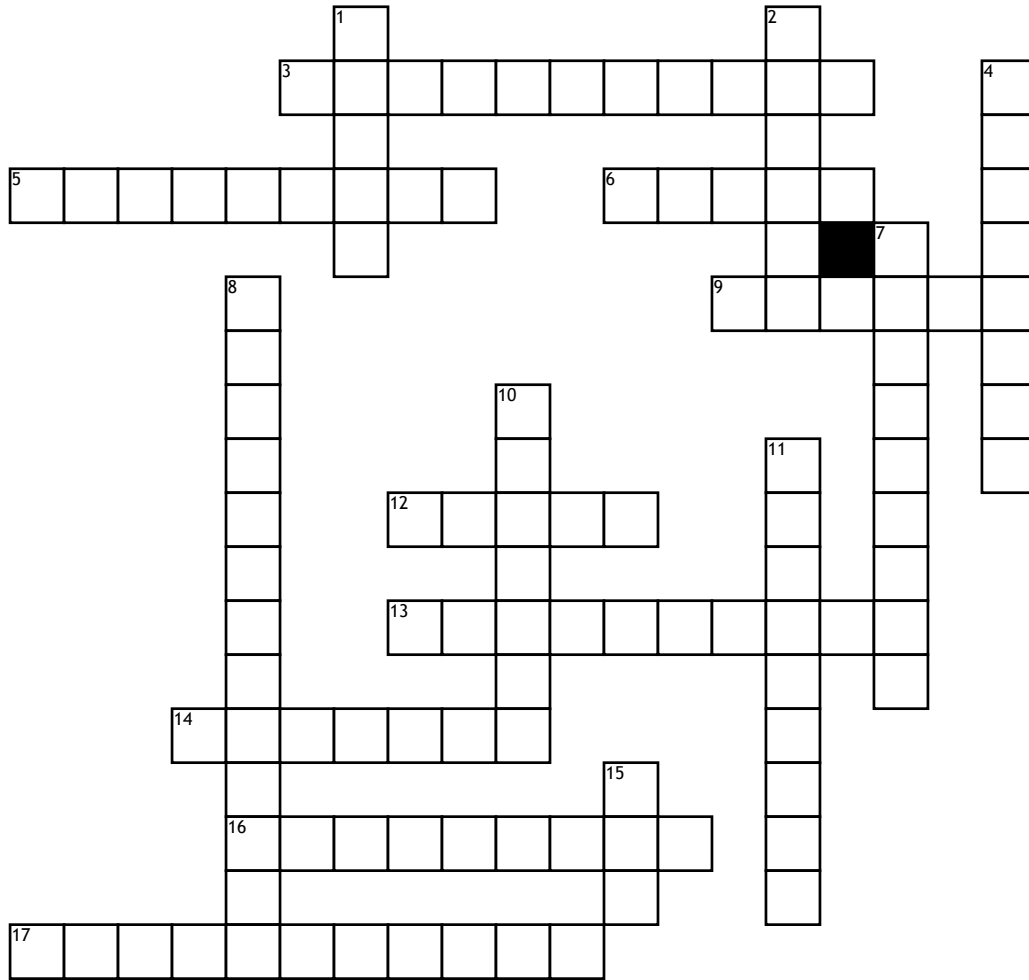


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Introduction to the Solar System



Across

- 3. a system that consists of planets orbiting the Sun.
- 5. uranus and neptune are considered _____ because of their cold atmosphere
- 6. the hottest planet
- 9. a huge collection of gas, dust, and billions of stars, which is held together by gravity.
- 12. smaller planets in the universe are called _____ planets

- 13. a region beyond Neptune made up of comets and dwarf planet
- 14. the planet that has the shortest orbit around the sun.
- 16. a collection of icy debris which is considered the edge of the solar system.
- 17. rocky planets that are closest to the sun

- 4. our galaxy is called
- 7. jupiter and saturn are considered _____ because of their gaseous atmosphere.
- 8. the region around the Sun where life can exist because the temperatures

Down

- 1. Most of these orbit planets
- 2. a cloud of gas and dust in outer space,

- 10. an attractive force between two masses
- 11. irregular shaped rocks found in the asteroid belt,
- 15. the star in the center of the solar system

Word Bank

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|-------------|----------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| oortcloud | gravity | ice giants | galaxy | asteroids |
| terrestrial | habitable zone | dwarf | Kuiper belt | solar system |
| gas giants | sun | mercury | milky way | moons |
| nebula | venus | | | |