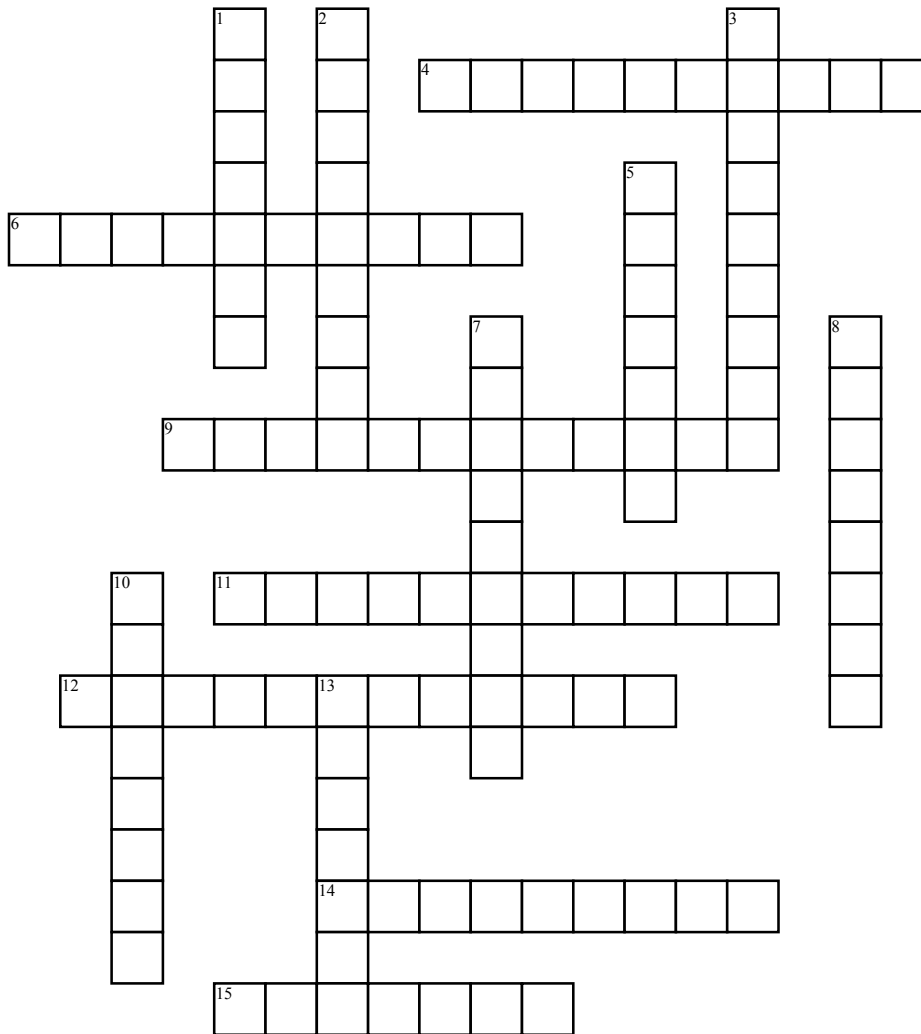


The Book Thief



Across

4. (especially of a person or their clothes) Perfectly clean, neat, or tidy.
 6. Not securely held or in position; dangerously likely to fall or collapse.
 9. Serving or intended to preempt or forestall something, especially to prevent attack by disabling the enemy.
 11. Feeling or expressing pensive sadness.
 12. Make (a person or area) poor.
 14. An act of assessing something or someone.

15. An action or event serving as an introduction to something more important.

Down

1. A subdivision of an army, typically consisting of a small number of infantry battalions and/or other units and often forming part of a division.
 2. Reach a climax or point of highest development.
 3. Pleasantly calm or peaceful.

5. Poke (someone) with a finger, foot, or pointed object.
 7. Exclusion from a society or group
 8. (of a substance) Easily evaporated at normal temperatures.
 10. Warn or reprimand someone firmly.
 13. Match or surpass (a person or achievement), typically by imitation.

Word Bank

Admonish	Placidity	Volatile	Impoverished	Prelude
Emulate	Melancholic	Preemptively	Prodded	Precarious
Appraisal	Brigade	Ostracism	Immaculate	Culminate