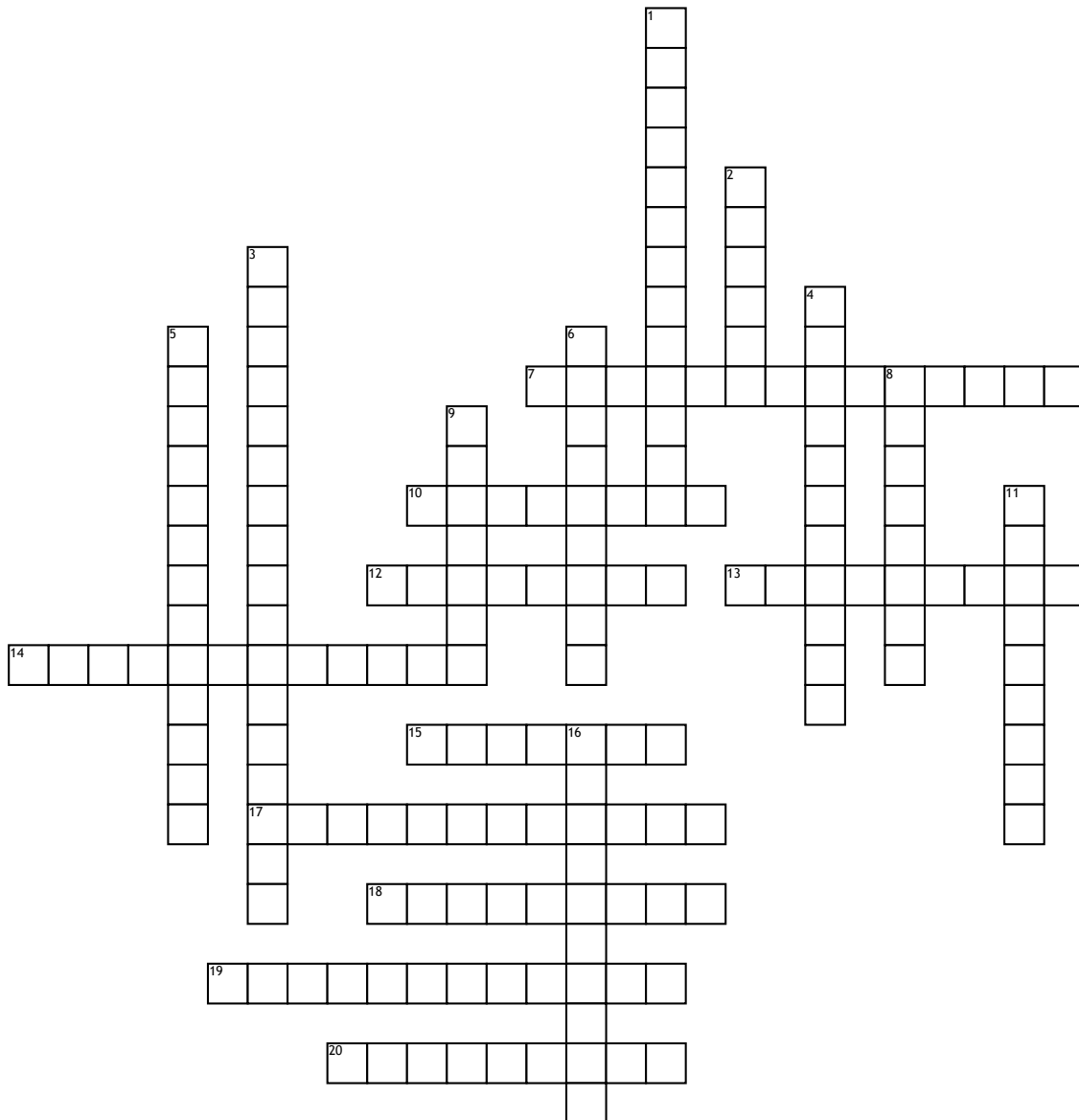


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Across

7. the branch of chemistry concerned with petroleum and natural gas, and with their refining and processing

10. something light, delicate or insubstantial

12. to wash or rinse freely with a steam or shower of water

13. A hard, discordant mixture of sounds

14. tough, light, flexible synthetic resin made by polymerizing ethylene, chiefly used for plastic bags, food containers, and other packaging

15. Any body of troops in close array

17. the action of intervening on behalf of another

18. exceedingly eager or avid

19. A preference or special liking for something

20. the large mammals of a particular region, habitat, or geological period

Down

1. A pungent, toxic liquid used in making artificial fibers and polymers

2. Of the nature relating to stone

3. A fossil bipedal primate with both apelike and human characteristics, found in Pliocene and lower Pleistocene deposits in Africa

4. relating to or denoting the first epoch of the Quaternary period, between the Pliocene and Holocene epochs

5. Relating to or denoting the fifth period of the Paleozoic era, between the Devonian and Permian periods

6. a systematically arranged collection of dried plants

8. adj. fearless; adventurous

9. A small round particle of an object

11. A collection of animals kept in captivity for exhibition

16. Conductive to success; Favorable