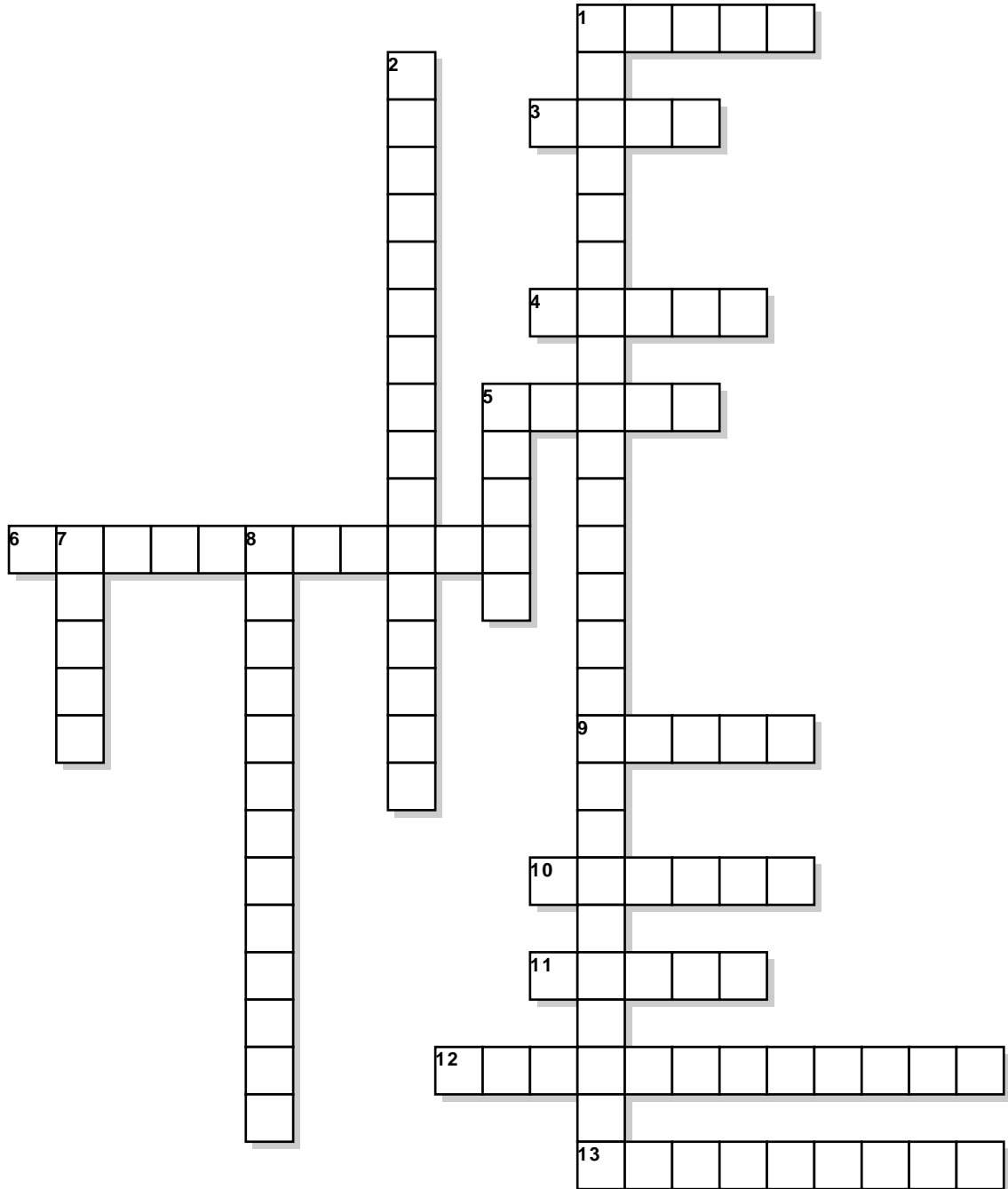


# Early Mesoamerican Civilizations



**Across**

- 1 A large stone monument that was often carved with symbols or glyphs.
- 3 Groups of Mesoamerican people that speak various forms of the Mayan language.
- 4 A type of corn.
- 5 A type of book made out of bark paper that is screen-folded.
- 6 A region that lies between the United States and South America.
- 9 Picture that represents a word, syllable, or sound.
- 10 King of the Mayan city of Tikal.
- 11 A group of people that lived along the Gulf coast in southern Mexico 3,000 years ago.
- 12 Soil deposited by flowing water.
- 13 The height of land above sea level.

**Down**

- 1 A method of farming that involves clearing land by cutting trees, burning the trees, and using the ashes to fertilize the land.
- 2 A lowland region in Southeast Mexico that stretches into, and divides the Caribbean Sea and the Gulf of Mexico.
- 5 A type of tree that produces beans used to make chocolate.
- 7 The upper class of a society.
- 8 A way of life that strongly influences later cultures.

**Possible Answers:**

alluvial soil, cacao, codex, elevation, elite, glyph, maize, Maya, Mesoamerica, mother culture, Olmec, Pcal II, slash-and-burn agriculture, stele, Yucatan Peninsula