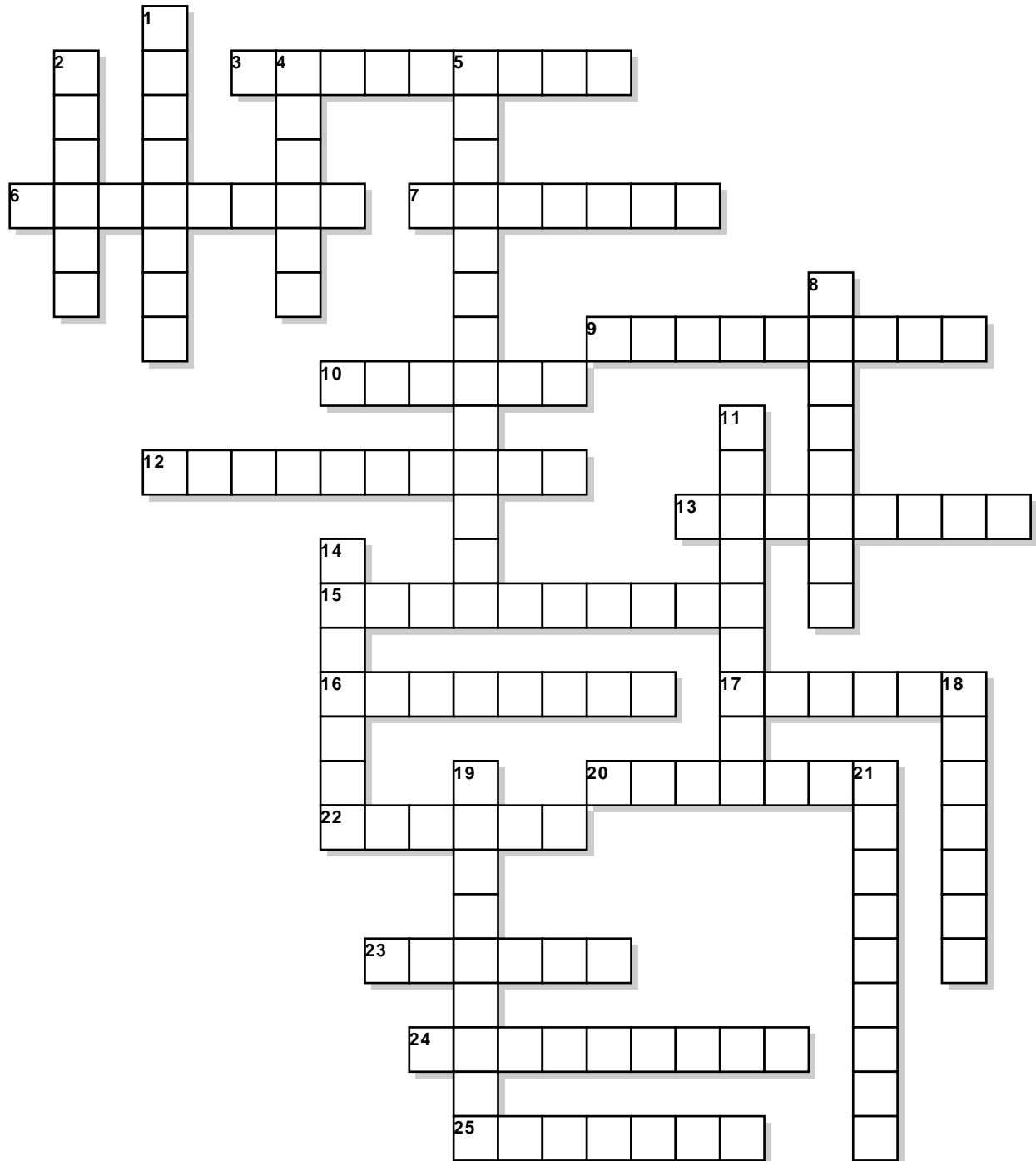


## GRE Vocabulary Crossword Puzzle 2



**Across**

- 3 Correct behavior; obedience to rules and customs.
- 6 To evade responsibility by pretending to be ill.
- 7 Wordy.
- 9 Steadily increasing volume or force.
- 10 Excessively decorated or embellished.
- 12 One who opposes established beliefs, customs, and institutions.
- 13 To soften; to lessen.
- 15 Overly submissive and eager to please.
- 16 Intended to delay.
- 17 Impartial and honest in speech.
- 20 To copy; to try to equal or excel.
- 22 Speech in praise of someone.
- 23 Impossible to see through; preventing the passage of light.
- 24 To reduce in force or degree; to weaken.
- 25 Biting in wit.

**Down**

- 1 Deceptively attractive; seemingly plausible but fallacious.
- 2 Long, harsh speech or verbal attack.
- 4 To make thinner or sparser.
- 5 Not capable of being disturbed.
- 8 Filled with truth and accuracy.
- 11 Acting in a fanciful or capricious manner; unpredictable.
- 14 To overlook, pardon, or disregard.
- 18 Appropriateness of behavior or conduct; propriety.
- 19 Pompous in speech and manner.
- 21 Use of an inoffensive word or phrase in place of a more distasteful one.

**Possible Answers:**

attenuate, bombastic, candid, caustic, condone, crescendo, decorum, dilatory, emulate, eulogy, euphemism, florid, iconoclast, imperturbable, malinger, mitigate, obsequious, opaque, propriety, rarefy, specious, tirade, veracity, verbose, whimsical