Major Empires Crossword Puzzle

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1  (250-900) Mesoamerica. Built pyramids and developed the most advanced writing system in the ancient Americas.
3  (962-1806) Western and Central Europe. It was the strongest country in Europe until about 1100.
7  (661-1171) Southwest Asia, North Africa. Spread scholarship and written culture.
10 (336-322 B.C.) Greece, Persia, Egypt, Northwest India. Spread Greek culture.
16 (1400-1532) South America. Built a vast empire linked by an extensive road system.
22 (800-1076) West Africa. Became a center of the gold-salt trade.
23 (c. 2350-2150 B.C.) Mesopotamia. Became the world's first empire.

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2  (late 1600's-1918) Central Europe. Became known for cultural life, especially its great composers.
4  (about 1300-1922) Turkey, North Africa, Southwest Asia, Southeast Europe. Became the world's most powerful empire in the 1500's and 1600's and built architectural masterpieces.
6  (1460s-1591) Gained control of trans-Saharan trade routes and built a thriving empire.
8  (about 1200-1294) Europe, Asia. Created the largest unified land empire in history.
9  (395-1453) Parts of southern and eastern Europe, northern Africa, and the Middle East. Preserved Greek culture, Roman customs, and Christianity and built the Hagia Sophia.
11 (27 B.C. - A.D. 476) Europe, Mesopotamia, North Africa. Spread Greek and Roman culture, which became the basis of Western Civilization.
12 (1526-1700's) India. Built unique architecture, including the Taj Mahal.
14 (c. 850-612 B.C.) Southwest Asia, Egypt. Built one of the ancient world's largest libraries in Nineveh.
17 (1325-1521) Mesoamerica. Built pyramids and developed a pictorial written language.
Possible Answers:
Akkadian, Alexandrian, Assyrian, Athenian, Austro-Hungarian, Aztec, British, Byzantine, Egyptian, Ghana, Han, Holy Roman, Inca, Mali, Maya, Mongol, Mughal, Muslim, Old Babylonian, Ottoman, Persian, Roman, Songhai