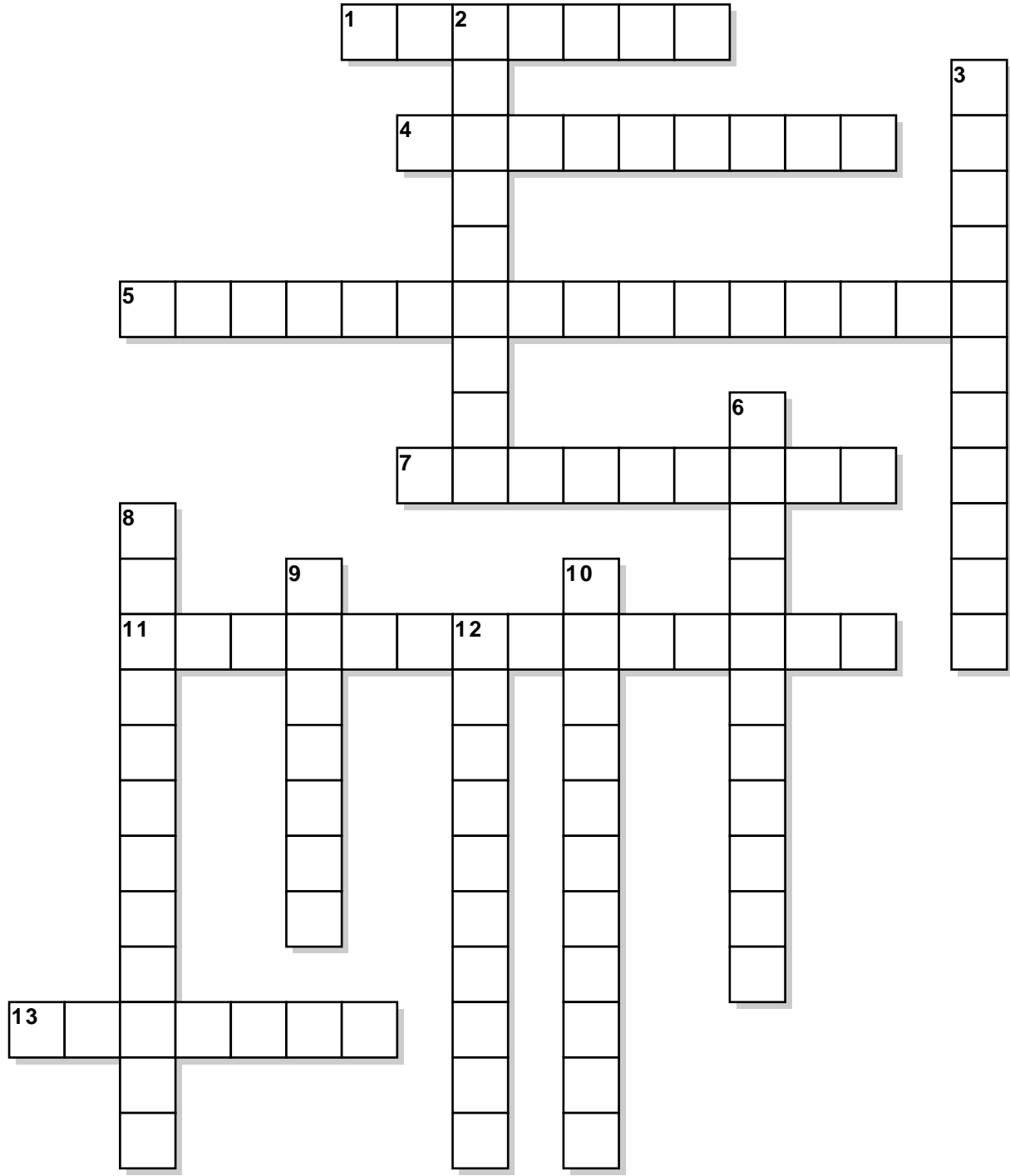


Muslim Rule Expands Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 1 A city on the Tigris River that became the Abbasid capital in 762.
- 4 Muslim Spain.
- 5 The southwestern tip of Europe that forms the present day countries of Portugal and Spain.
- 7 A soldier paid to fight.
- 11 The ruler of Muslim Spain during whose reign Al Andalus reached the pinnacle of its power.
- 13 Capital of the Umayyad kingdom on the Iberian Peninsula.

Down

- 2 A period during which a country and its culture are at their highest point.
- 3 The institutions, agencies, and departments that carry out the work of the government.
- 6 The art of fine handwriting.
- 8 An army that is ready not only in times of war but also in times of peace.
- 9 A group opposed to the ruling party.
- 10 A Persian born Muslim poet during the Abbasid period.
- 12 The Umayyad caliph who made Arabic the language of government for all Muslims.

Possible Answers:

Abd al Malik, Abd al Rahman III, Al Andalus, Baghdad, bureaucracy, calligraphy, Cordoba, faction, golden age, Iberian Peninsula, mercenary, Omar Khayyam, standing army