

# NEWS PUZZLE

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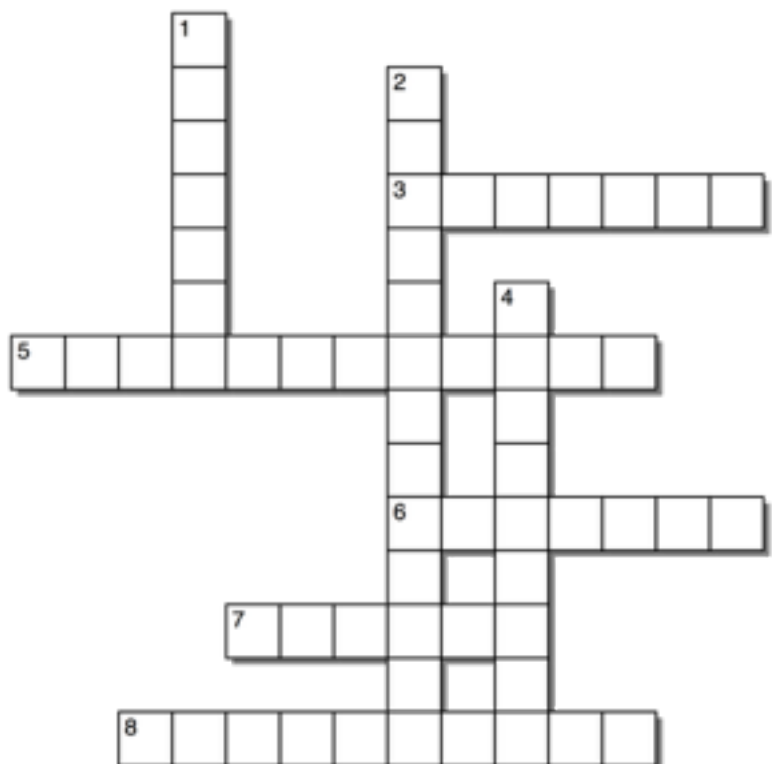
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### ACROSS

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- 6) praise (verb 7)
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