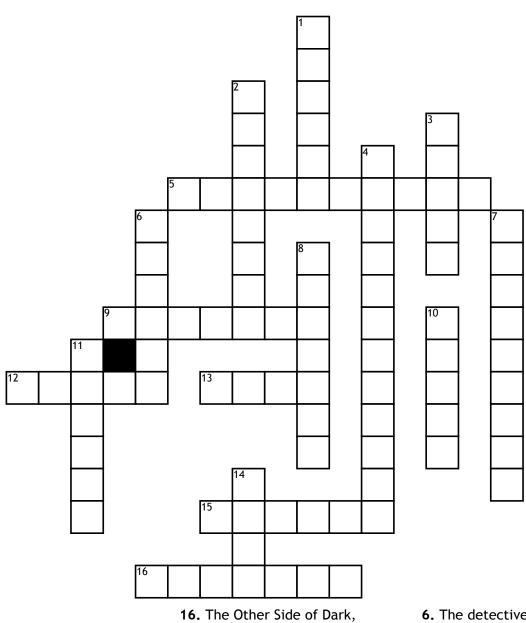
## **Mystery Vocabulary**



## <u>Across</u>

5. The criminal tried to distract the police with a \_\_\_\_\_, but

they didn't fall for it.

**9.** Everyone in the house when the burglary happened has to be considered a \_\_\_\_\_\_ .

**12.** A very serious \_\_\_\_\_ has been committed.

**13.** Before anyone could enter the crime scene, the police searched for every possible \_\_\_\_\_.

**15.** Nancy Drew is a famous fictional \_\_\_\_\_, just like the Hardy Boys and Sherlock Holmes.

**16.** The Other Side of Dark, written by Joan Lowery Nixon,

contains a \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Down</u>

1. It is important to think about who might have a \_\_\_\_\_ for committing a crime.

2. After they gathered the \_\_\_\_\_\_ from the crime scene,

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the police took it all to the station. 3. Police may have a \_\_\_\_\_

about who committed a crime, but they have to find evidence in order to prove it.

4. When the police found the fingerprints, it was a real

6. The detectives were able to \_\_\_\_\_\_ that the homeowners faked the burglary.

7. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ entered the room and began to ask us questions.
8. Because Steve was a

\_\_\_\_\_\_to the accident, he stayed until the police arrived so he could file a report.

**10.** Mary was at work when the crime was committed, so it seems she has a solid \_\_\_\_\_.

11. The \_\_\_\_\_ reported the crime as soon as it happened.14. The kids gathered to

their April Fool's Day joke.