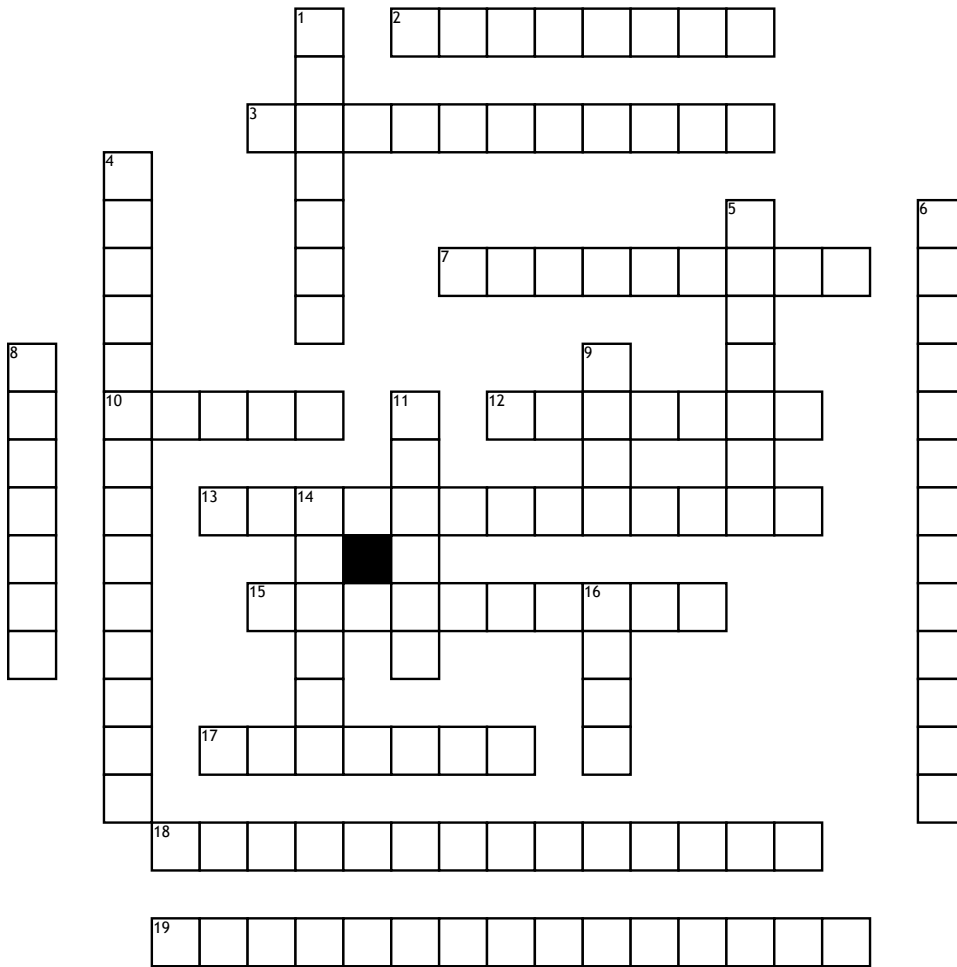


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The Maya



Across

2. Temples were built on these so that they could be closer to the gods in heaven.
 3. The Maya beleived that their priests and kings could ____ with the gods.
 7. The Maya developed three distinct types of _____ for religious festivals, farming tasks and historical dates..
 10. While today, Maya buildings plain, gray _____ structures, they were once brightly colored and decorated.
 12. Feathers from this colorful tropical bird were traded by the Maya.
 13. The Maya built these for observing the sky.

15. The Maya were excellent astronomers and plotted the movement of the sun, moon, and planets without the use of these.
 17. The Maya did NOT have horses, oxen or _____ vehicles.
 18. The basic social unit in Maya society was the _____.
 19. Most Maya people lived in _____, not near the center of the city.

Down

1. One of the 2 reasons why the great Maya cities fell.
 4. One of the most startling Mayan religious practices was _____.
 5. One of the 2 reasons why the great Maya cities fell.

6. The Maya developed an advanced writing system that used _____.

8. The Maya built these on top of their pyramids
 9. The Mayan numbering system differed from the European system because it included a numeral for _____.
 11. Slash-and-burn agriculture is a farming method in which trees are ____ and the ash fertilizes the soil.
 14. Carved glyphs that celebrate rulers and their deeds have been preserved on stone monuments called _____.
 16. The soil in the rainforests was _____.