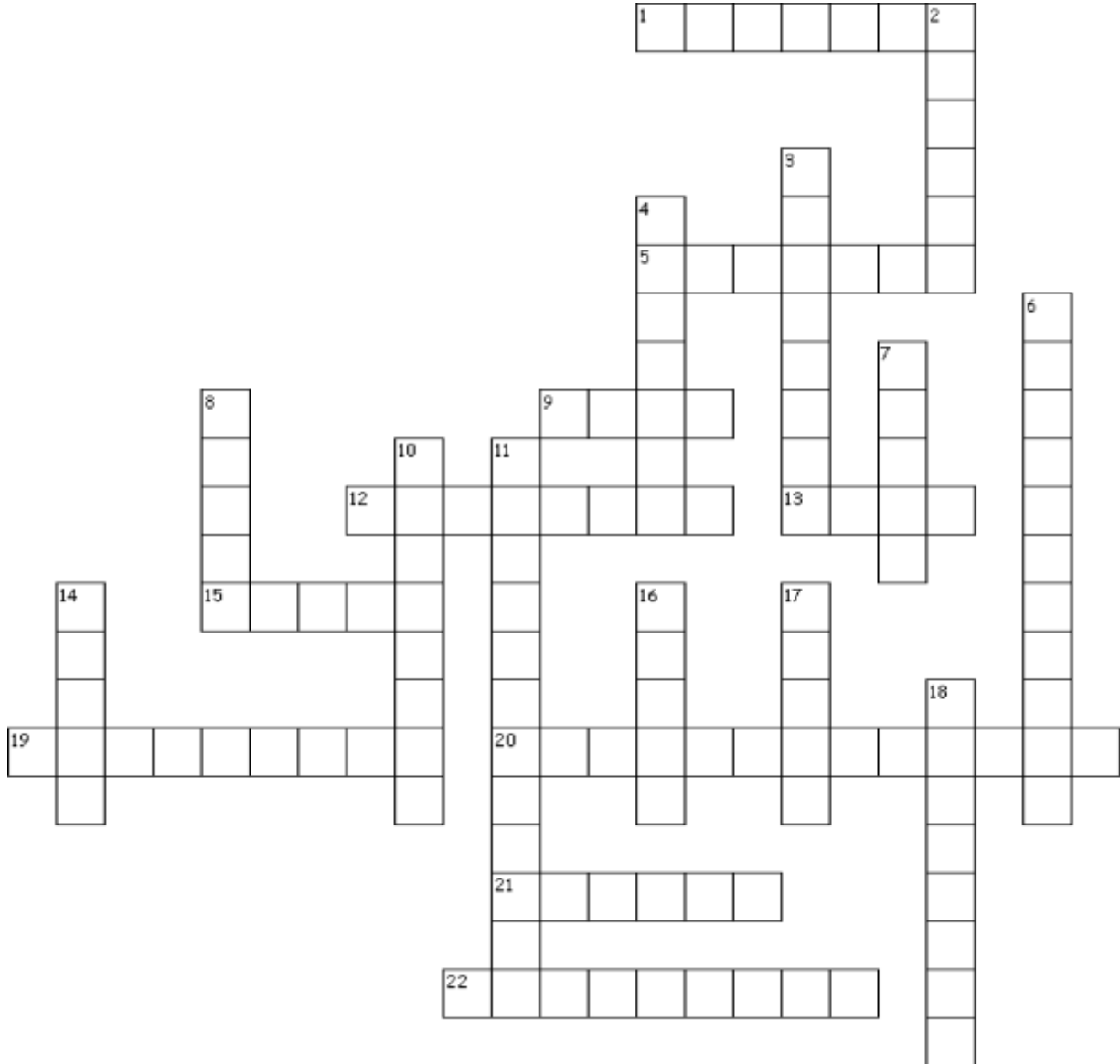


## Early Israelites



### Across

1. Language of Babylonian Jews
5. Built Temple (Beit HaMikdash)
9. Leader and scribe who began public reading of Torah
12. Prophet who advised Jews in Babylonia to make a good life for themselves there
13. First king of Israelites
15. Deportation of Jewish people after conquest of southern kingdom
19. Empire under King Nebuchadnezzar that destroyed Jerusalem and Temple
20. Israelites scattered across the Assyrian Empire (three words, no spaces)
21. Empire that conquered Babylonia
22. Center of government and religion in ancient Israel

### Down

2. Ancient name of Israel
3. Jewish leaders who shared the word of God with the people, such as Amos and Isaiah
4. Empire that conquered the northern kingdom
6. Ancient enemies of the Israelites, conquered by David
7. King of Persia, let Jews rebuild Temple
8. Leader and advisor of Israelite tribes, such as Deborah
10. Jewish leader and governor of Judah who helped rebuild Jerusalem and its economy
11. Built by Jews who returned from Babylonia (two words, no spaces)
14. Southern kingdom after split
16. Built around city of Jerusalem by Solomon
17. What David did for Israelites, bring together
18. Countries outside Israel