

1. A number of words have been removed from the text and placed in a word bank. Use the words from the word bank to fill in the blanks in the text. Write the words in the blanks provided.

"You'll never [1] \_\_\_\_\_," they said,

"[2] \_\_\_\_\_ choose another."

"You are a loser - always were."

So I said, "Thank you mother."

But I am no contortionist,

I can't [3] \_\_\_\_\_ with a ball.

I haven't got a friendly pet.

I've got no friends at all.

Or I could do some magic,

Oh, that much is clear.

For when I [4] \_\_\_\_\_ a [5] \_\_\_\_\_ room,

the girls just [6] \_\_\_\_\_.

It doesn't really matter, though,

'Cause I'll try any trick,

just to get me on the show

to tell Piers he's a ...

a genius with his finger on the [7] \_\_\_\_\_ of popular culture.

I may go through tonight, or not,

of that I do not know.

But at least I can say to my girls

that Daddy's [8] \_\_\_\_\_.

A. crowded

D. enter

G. they are bound to

B. juggle

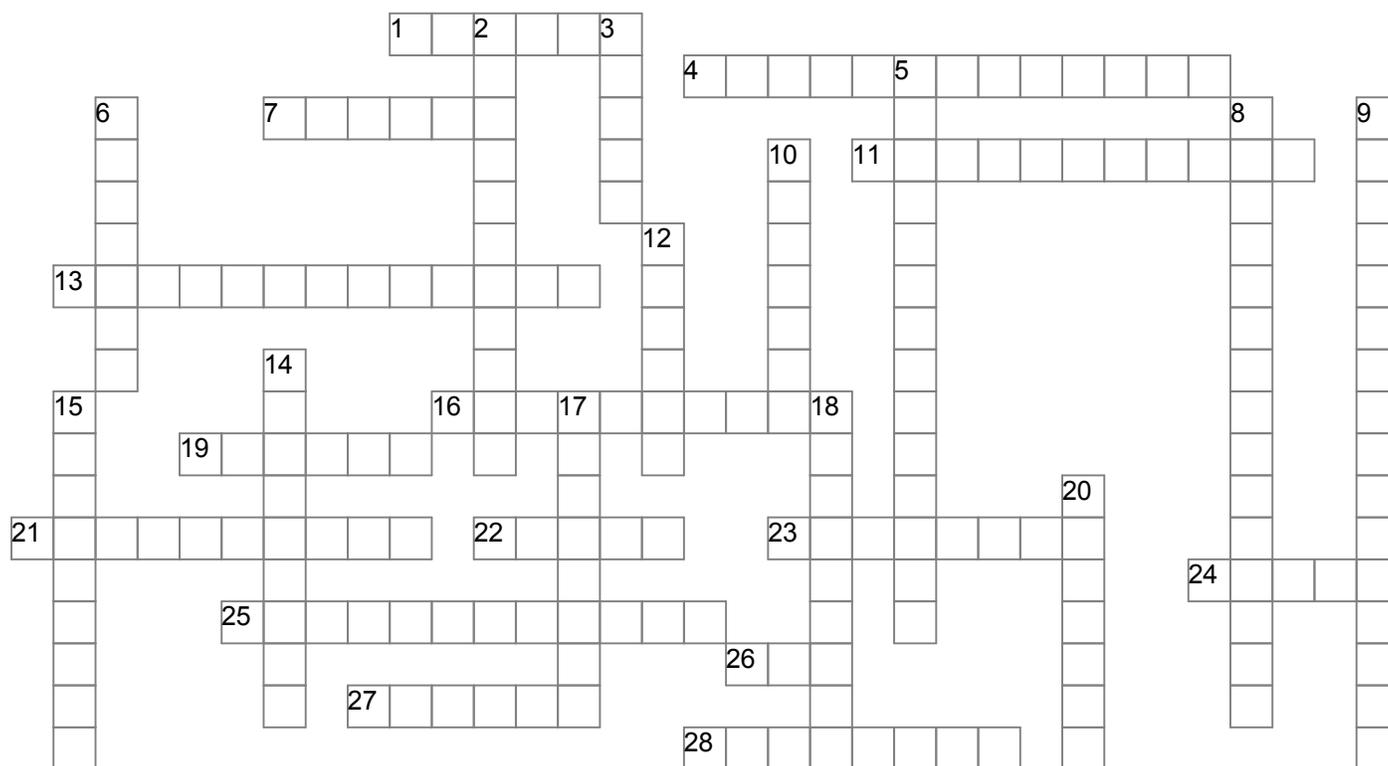
E. pulse

H. disappear

C. given it a go

F. make it through

2. Complete the crosswords.



ACROSS

- 1. to keep objects moving through the air by catching them as they fall and throwing them back into the air
- 4. to survive a difficult situation
- 7. in the past, a European soldier wearing a metal suit
- 11. The way someone behaves
- 13. someone who twists their body into unusual shapes or positions as a way of entertaining people
- 16. to make someone like you
- 19. to make a rough continuous sound
- 21. very interesting
- 22. the regular movement of blood as the heart pumps it round the body
- 23. to give something to someone
- 24. the place where you perform
- 25. in your life
- 26. a poem written for or about a particular person, thing, or event
- 27. to guess
- 28. a personal quality that makes other people like you

DOWN

- 2. to give your time to something and make progress with it
- 3. to come in
- 5. They are sure to do something
- 6. saying sorry
- 8. people stand and clap to show how much they enjoyed or approved of it
- 9. Nice to meet you.
- 10. strong love
- 12. poems
- 14. a person care about books in a library
- 15. to try
- 17. male horse
- 18. to move somewhere where you cannot be seen
- 20. full of people