

A Brief History of The National Creative Challenge: Cross Word Puzzle

<https://thenationaldchistory.org>



Activity Overview

Grade Level: High School (9th – 12th)

Subjects: Social Studies, History

Estimated Time: 20 - 30 min

Materials Needed: Pen or pencil, crossword puzzle worksheet (see below)

Activity Format: Group or individual activity

Summary: In this activity, students will learn about the history of The National Theatre and its impact on DC's culture. Students will use analytical skills to complete the crossword puzzle.

Activity Guide

- Instruct students use the *Brief History of The National* website to research The National Theatre. Students may choose to take some time to read the website and take notes, and then begin the puzzle. Or they may read the clues in advance and then read through the website to search for the answers.
- Students may complete this assignment individually, or they may work as a group to find the answers to the clues.
- The answer key for the crossword puzzle is provided below:

ACROSS:

#3 Jenny Lind

#5 Presidents

#6 James K Polk

#9 West Side Story

#10 Booth

DOWN:

#1 Eagle

#2 Kennedy Center

#4 FDR

#7 Fire

#8 Jim Crow

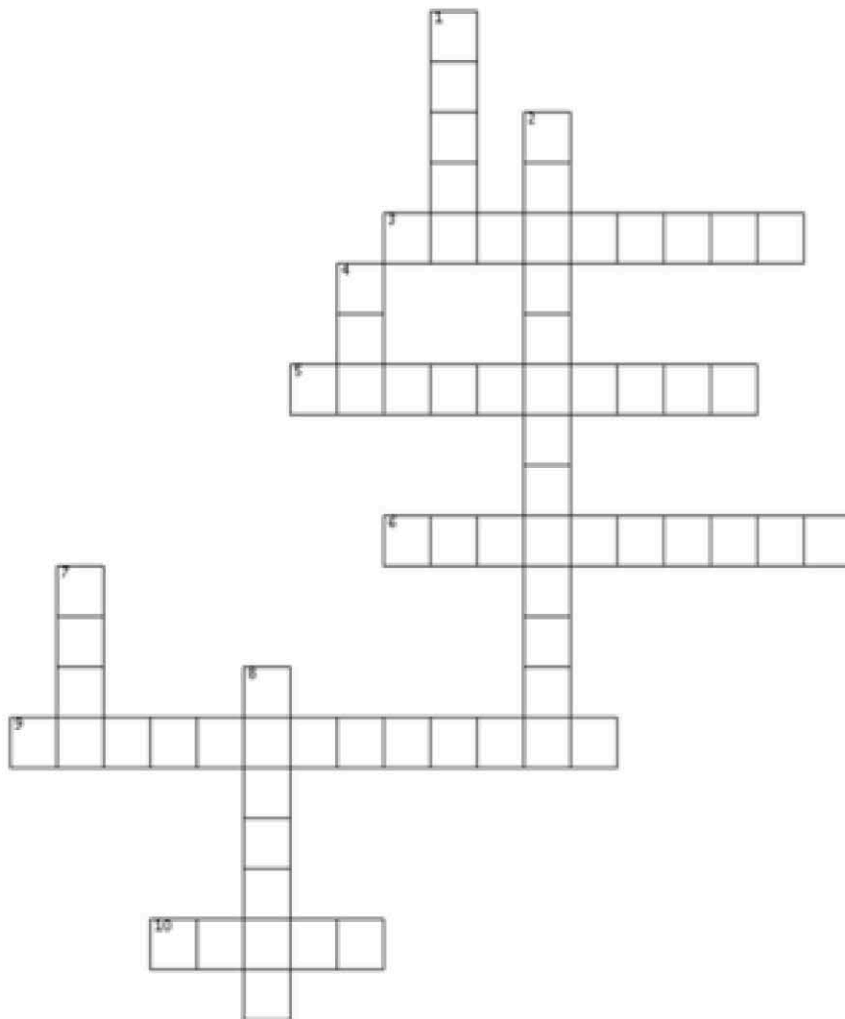


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ACROSS

3. What singer known as the "Swedish Nightingale" prompted the rebuilding of the National Theatre after a fire
5. Who were staples at the National Theatre
6. The National Theatre hosted the inaugural ball for which U. S President
9. This pre Broadway tryout was originally shown at the National Theatre and was based on the story of Romeo and Juliet
10. The ___ family created an acting dynasty

DOWN

1. This animal is the National Theatre's logo
2. Which theatre became competition for the National Theatre
4. What president was a common character in major productions
7. What is the National Theatre's archenemy
8. This caused the National Theatre to close on July 31st, 1948



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