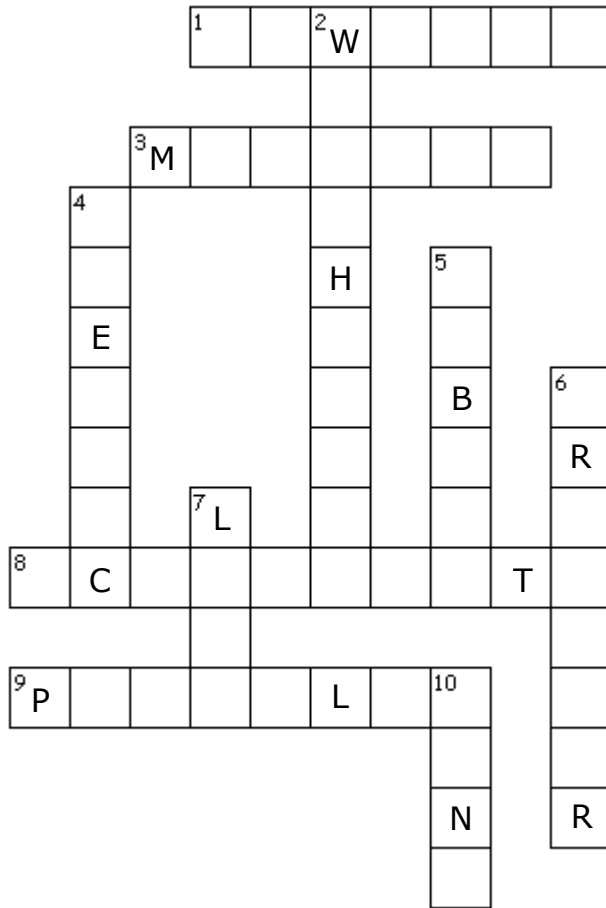


EXERCISE

Complete the crossword puzzle.



**Across**

1. The art of using sticks or rods to find water or other hidden things underground.
3. The ancient practice of dowsing is filled with intrigue and \_\_\_\_\_.
8. They have not been able to find any proof of how dowsing works.
9. Electro-magnetic energy is visible through the twitching of the sticks, rods or \_\_\_\_\_ that dowsers hold in their hands.

**Down**

2. During the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> centuries in Britain, the religious authorities associated dowsing with \_\_\_\_\_, black magic and mortal danger.
4. Someone who doubts about things that others believe to be true.
5. Besides water, there are dowsers who are able to find gas mains, \_\_\_\_\_ and even ancient archaeological relics deep underground.

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6. Someone put in jail for committing a crime.
7. In the 16<sup>th</sup> century, workers used dowsing to find tin, \_\_\_\_\_ and iron ore in the southwest of England.
10. Albert Einstein wrote that "magic is simply the use of powers of the \_\_\_\_\_ that are not yet understood by science".

## GROUP ACTIVITY

Uri Geller Freud, commonly called **Uri Geller** (well known for his own fame rather than Sigmund Freud, whom he is related to), is able to bend spoons, make broken clocks and watches tick once more and read minds – all done through the power of his mind. He now prefers to be called a "mystifier" over "psychic".

Geller claimed that he became aware of his unusual powers when he was five. While having lunch one day, the spoon in his hand curled up and broke, even though he didn't apply any pressure to it. Geller's intuitive abilities have also led him to dowsing – and successfully detected oil and precious metals. One example is the huge offshore oil field for Mexico's national oil company PEMEX. His exceptional talent resulted in his getting a Mexican nationality as a token of appreciation and honour by Mexico's President Jose Lopez Portillo. His other works include tracking serial killers, working with the FBI and the CIA, to others which are too confidential and controversial to mention.

Geller believes that the human mind is the most powerful tool in the universe, and for this, he is an inspirational motivational speaker. He has given lectures to large multinational companies such as Henkel, Novartis, Mizuno, Sony, Rolls Royce, Hallmark and even in the sports arena to Formula One, Premier League footballers, boxers and many more.

With his exceptional abilities, Geller has garnered immense wealth. He was also featured in the show *Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous*. He is also noted for donating generously to charity. But James Randi thinks Geller uses simple magician tricks to hoodwink gullible people ([www.randi.org](http://www.randi.org)). Watch the video clips, and give your opinion whether you believe Geller's work is genuine or not.

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Geller in 2009; bending a spoon in a mall in 2005 © Wikipedia