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Medal Winners

We were once again filled with pride due to the success of our athletes who represented Ireland in the recent Olympic and Paralympic Games which were held in Tokyo.

Team Ireland took home two gold medals and two bronze in the Olympics. Skibbereen men Paul O' Donovan and Fintan McCarthy won gold in the men's double for rowing. In the 2016 Olympics Paul along with his brother Gary won a silver. Ireland also won a bronze in rowing when the four member women's team came third in their race.



Dublin boxer Kellie Harrington took the gold medal in the women's lightweight boxing. This was her first Olympics and in the final she gave the performance of her life.

Kellie Harrington

In the Paralympic Games Ireland won a total of seven medals, four gold, two silver and a bronze. Cycling duo Katie George-Dunlevy and Eve Mc Crystal took home two gold and a silver. Dublin swimmer Ellen Keane won gold in the 100 metres breaststroke in a race that was said to be her best ever. This was Ellen's fourth time taking part in the Paralympics. Ellen who has an under developed left arm, was only 13 when she took part in her first games in 2008.



Ellen Keane and Jason Smyth Gold Medallists

Derry man Jason Smyth took gold in the men's 100 metre race. He beat the second fastest runner by just one hundredth of a second. Jason, who is visually impaired, now has six Olympic gold medals for running. He also holds the world record for running the fastest 100 and 200 metres races.

Twenty Years Since 9/11

On the morning of Tuesday 11th September 2001 terrorists hijacked four planes flying over America. A member of each of the hijacking gangs was trained to fly a plane. Two of the planes crashed into the Twin Towers, the name given to the two tallest buildings in the area of New York known as the World Trade Centre. Another plane crashed into the Pentagon which is the headquarters of the US army and the last plane crashed in a field in Pennsylvania. This plane is believed to have been heading for the White House.

A plane is about to crash into the second building



This was the worst attack the world had ever seen. As many as 3,000 people were killed, including more than 300 fire fighters who were attending at the scene. All 260 passengers and crew of the four planes were also killed. To this day it is believed that almost 18,000 people are still living with injuries and illness from the effects of the attacks, much of it due to the dust inhaled from the collapse of the Twin Towers which crumbled and covered the entire city in clouds of dust.

A few weeks later the US declared war on Afghanistan to find the leaders who had ordered the attacks on America. The man responsible, Osama Bin Laden was captured and shot in 2011. US soldiers remained in Afghanistan until August of this year when President Biden finally ordered all American troops to leave the country.

Since 9/11 airport security all over the world is now much stricter with screening and scanning of all passengers and luggage prior to boarding.

Common misspelled words

argument	embarrass	government	library
beginning	February	invitation	licence
believe	exercise	jealous	neighbour
business	friend	length	scissors

Fill in the blanks with words from the list.

1. She runs her own _____.
2. If you have a TV then you must buy a TV _____.
3. Can you measure the width and the _____ of the room?
4. Valentine's Day is in this month. _____.
5. I received a wedding _____ in the post
6. Micheál Martin is the leader of the _____.
7. My next door _____ is very friendly.
8. I must return the books I borrowed to the _____.
9. It is important to get out for some _____ everyday.
10. Mary has always been a good _____ to Ann.
11. Amy was very _____ of her sister's new shoes.
12. The two brothers had an _____ over who won the game.
13. She tried to _____ me by laughing at my clothes.
14. Sunrise is the _____ of a new day.

Find these words hidden in the word search.

gold silver bronze medal

time winner run team

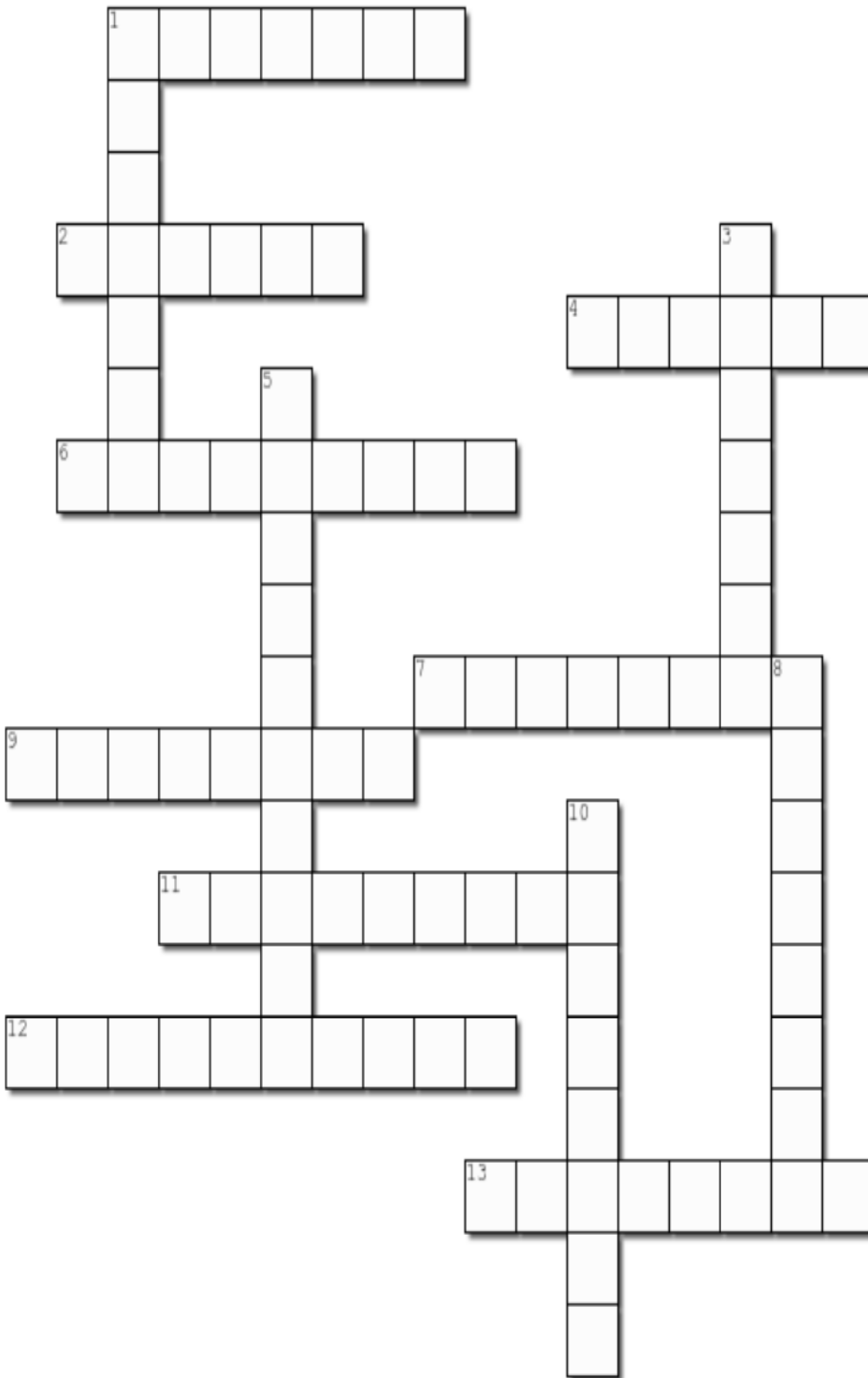
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d j s w i m l n m e
g w f b r o n z e a
b d o t g z p w d m
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Crossword

The answers are all words from the word list of common mis-spelled words.



Across

1. A place where you borrow books. (7)
2. This is how long something is. (6)
4. Someone you are close to. (6)
6. You start at the _____. (9)
7. Mind your own _____. (8)
9. The second month of the year. (8)
11. The person next door. (9)
12. They are in charge of the country. (10)
13. Walking is a good form of this. (8)

Down

1. You need to have one to be allowed to drive. (7)
3. You are this when you want what another person has. (7)
5. A card asking you to come to a party. (10)
8. Used for cutting. (8)
10. People often shout at each other when having this. (8)

Break down these words into parts/syllables. (the first one is done for you).

represent re pre sent

hijacking _____

terrorist _____

security _____

performance _____

passenger _____

Q1

Mary works in a supermarket.

- She works 4 hours a day from Wednesday to Sunday.
- She earns €12.00 an hour.
- On Saturday she is paid time and a half.
- On Sunday she is paid double time.

- What is her hourly rate of pay on Saturday?
- What is her hourly rate of pay on Sunday?
- How much does Mary earn every week before tax?
- If she saves $\frac{1}{4}$ of her weekly pay each week, how much will she have saved after 1 year?

Q2

- Tom has a car loan of €15,000 from the credit Union.
- He will repay the loan over 5 years.
- A total interest charge of 25% will also be added to the loan amount.

- What is the total amount including interest that Tom owes?
- How much will he need to pay each year in repayments?
- If he pays a set amount each month how much will his repayments be every month?

Q3

Frank is twice Ann's age.

Ann is twice Paul's age.

Peter is $\frac{3}{4}$ of Frank's age.

Joe is $\frac{1}{5}$ of Ann's age.

Frank will be 70 in 10 years time

- How old is Frank now? _____
- How old is Ann? _____
- How old is Peter? _____
- How old is Paul? _____
- How old is Joe? _____

Q4

Find the missing numbers below.

- $10 \times \square = 60$
- $\square \times 5 = 25$
- $48 \div 6 = \square$
- $125 + \square = 170$
- $40 + \square - 10 = 50$
- $8 \times 4 = \square$

Answers

Q1 a €18 b €24 c €312 d €4056
 Q2a €18,750 b €3750 c €312.50
 Q3 a 60 b 30 c 45 d 15 e 6
 Q4 a 6 b 5 c 8 d 45 e 20 f 32