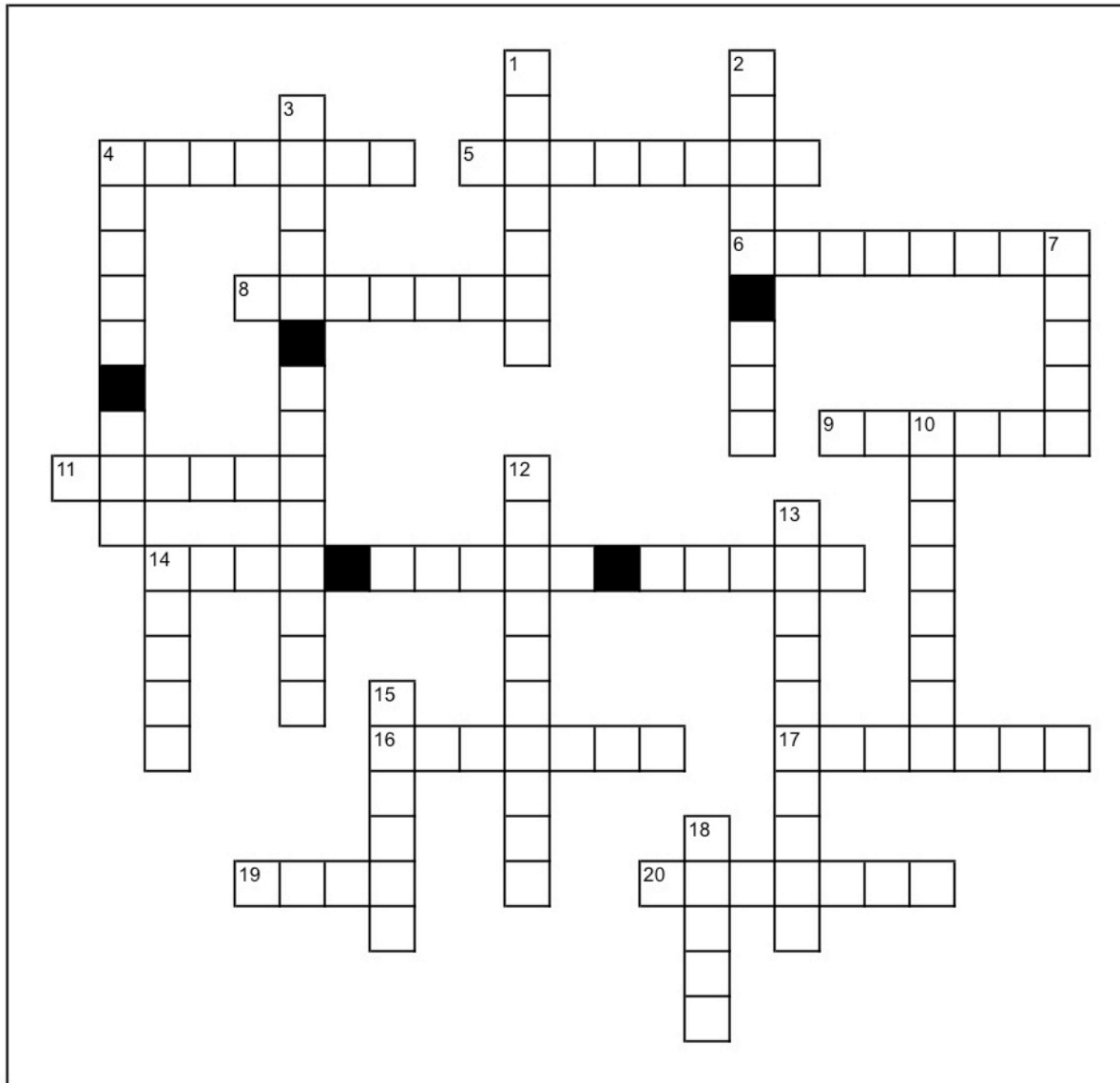


## *SEVEN MILES TO FREEDOM: THE ROBERT SMALLS STORY*

“Robert liked talking to the workers on the ships. In hushed voices they told him stories of ‘Up North’ where all colored people were free to learn to read and write.” Demonstrate your reading skills and your knowledge of Robert Smalls in this crossword, based on *Seven Miles to Freedom: The Robert Smalls Story*.



### ACROSS

4. Robert knew the ship's cargo of \_\_\_\_\_ would be valuable to the Union
5. The crew and their families were able to escape because the ship's \_\_\_\_\_ broke regulations and left the ship at night
6. Robert's position on the crew
8. Robert learned the secret steam \_\_\_\_\_ signals.
9. Robert's wife
11. After years of working on the docks and in the shipyards, Robert became a \_\_\_\_\_
14. Once past the last Confederate gun, Robert ordered "\_\_\_\_\_!"
16. Growing up, Robert watched other slaves being sold at \_\_\_\_\_
17. All his life, Robert wished for \_\_\_\_\_
19. The plan for escape started as a \_\_\_\_\_
20. The ship Robert commandeered

### DOWN

1. Robert's age when he became foreman of a crew on the docks
2. What Robert wore to convince observers that he was the captain
3. Where Robert lived
4. This brought both hope and uncertainty to Robert and his wife
7. Robert wanted to leave Charleston for the \_\_\_\_\_
10. Robert learned to \_\_\_\_\_, steering through narrow channels and around hidden rocks
12. Robert spent his early years on a \_\_\_\_\_
13. Even when he was working at a hotel, Robert was drawn to the \_\_\_\_\_
14. Robert took down the Confederate and state \_\_\_\_\_, and raised a white sheet
15. Robert was owned by \_\_\_\_\_ McKee
18. Robert started life as a \_\_\_\_\_