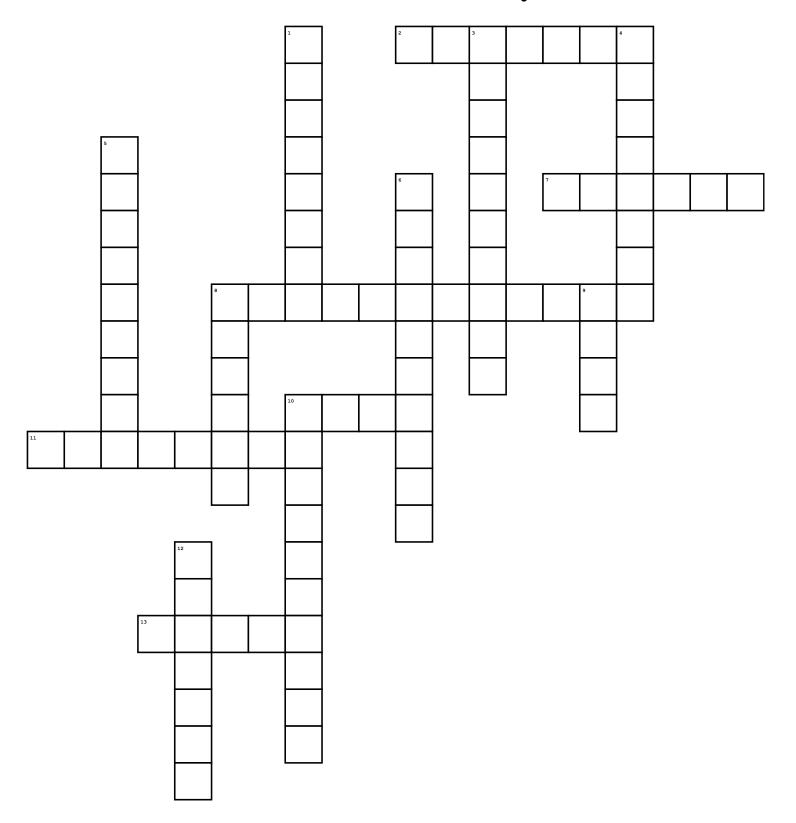
## **Crossword for Labor Day 2025**



Across

**2.** handheld device placed on the mother's abdomen that makes it possible to hear the fetal heartbeat

Down

**1.** surgery to deliver a baby through incisions in the abdomen and uterus

- 7. top of the uterus
- **8.** when the muscles of the uterus get tight and then relax to push the baby out of the uterus
- **10.** artificial rupture of membranes; also called "breaking the bag of waters."
- 11. how open the cervix is
- **13.** also called childbirth, is the process of the baby leaving the uterus

- 3. period of time after the birth
- 4. softness or firmness of the cervix
- **5.** period of time from the 20th week of pregnancy to 1 month after birth
- **6.** how thick or thin the cervix is, also called shortening or ripening of the cervix
- **8.** lowest part, or neck, of the uterus that ends in the top of he vagina (birth canal)
- **9.** normal spontaneous vaginal delivery, a vaginal birth, without the use of forceps or vacuum
- 10. before birth
- 12. how low or high the baby is in the pelvis