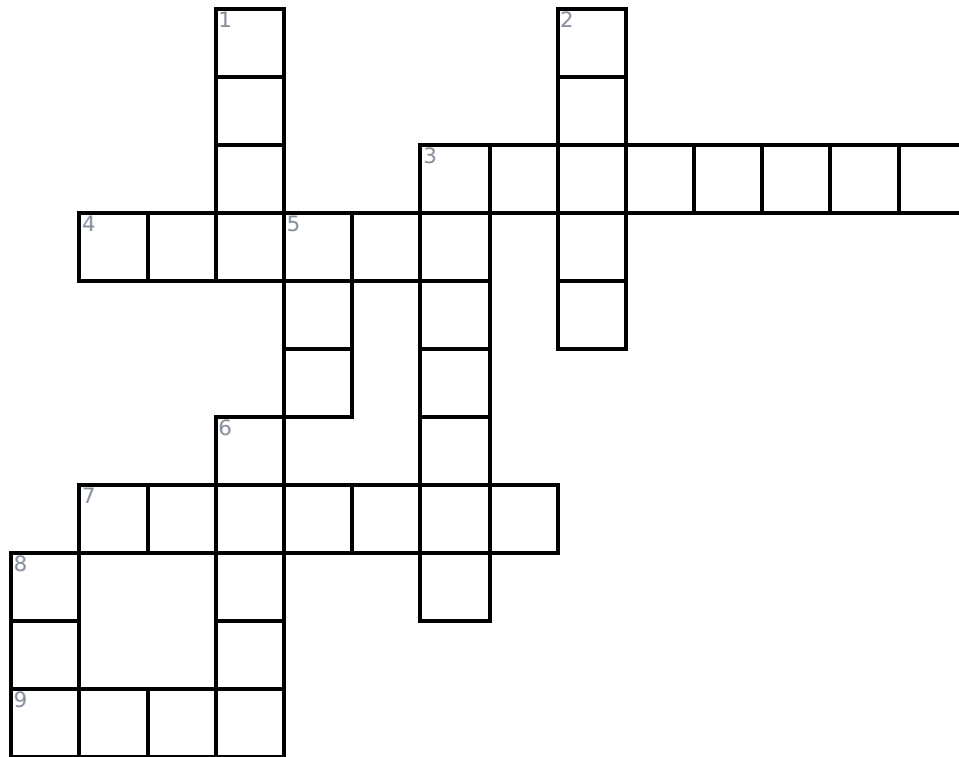


It Could Always Be Worse: Criss Cross

After reading *It Could Always Be Worse* by Margot Zemach, use this printable and interactive Criss Cross puzzle. All clues relate to the content of the story.



Across

3. The ____ got feathers in the family's soup.
4. The man lived in the hut with his children, his wife, and his ____.
7. The ____ was crowing loudly inside the house.
9. The man fought with his ____ because of all the noise.

Down

- 1. The ____ went wild pushing and bucking everyone with its horns.
- 2. The man couldn't sleep because his kids were too ____.
- 3. His house had too many people in it. It was ____.
- 5. The man felt that his small ____ was too small for his family.
- 6. The man brought in chickens, a rooster, and a ____.
- 8. What was the last animal the poor man took into his hut?

Word Bank

HUT
ROOSTER
MOTHER

CROWDED
GOAT
GOOSE

NOISY
COW

CHICKENS
WIFE

Answer Key

