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Queen Victoria: The Grandmother of Europe

Queen Victoria was born as Alexandrina Victoria on May 24, 1819, at Kensington Palace in London, England. She became Queen of the United Kingdom on June 20, 1837, and reigned until her death on January 22, 1901. Her reign, known as the Victorian era, lasted for 63 years and 216 days, making it one of the longest reigns in British history.

Victoria's father was Prince Edward, Duke of Kent and Strathearn, and her mother was Princess Victoria of Saxe-Coburg-Saalfeld. She married her first cousin, Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, in 1840. Together, they had nine children who married into various European royal families, earning Victoria the nickname "grandmother of Europe."

Victoria's reign was marked by significant changes and achievements. The period saw the expansion of the British Empire, industrial advancements, and numerous scientific discoveries. In 1876, she was also given the title of Empress of India by the British Parliament.

Her family life had its joys and sorrows. Prince Albert's death in 1861 left her in deep mourning, and she wore black for the rest of her life. Despite her seclusion after his death, she remained a popular and iconic figure.

Victoria's Golden and Diamond Jubilees in 1887 and 1897 were significant public celebrations, reflecting her recovery in popularity. She passed away at the age of 81 at Osborne House on the Isle of Wight and was succeeded by her son, Edward VII.

Queen Victoria's legacy lives on, not only in the many descendants she left behind but also in the enduring symbols of the Victorian era.

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May 24, 1819

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Kensington Palace, London

Family

Queen Victoria was born to Prince Edward, Duke of Kent and Strathearn, and Princess Victoria of Saxe-Coburg-Saalfeld. She married her first cousin, Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, on February 10, 1840. The couple had nine children, who married into various European royal families, earning Victoria the nickname "the grandmother of Europe." Prince Albert played a significant role in promoting education, science, and the arts until his untimely death in 1861, which deeply affected Victoria and led to her prolonged...

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Queen Victoria ascended the British throne on June 20, 1837, following the death of her uncle, King William IV, and was crowned on June 28, 1838. Her reign, known as the Victorian Era, lasted until her death on January 22, 1901, making her the second-longest reigning British monarch, after Queen Elizabeth II.

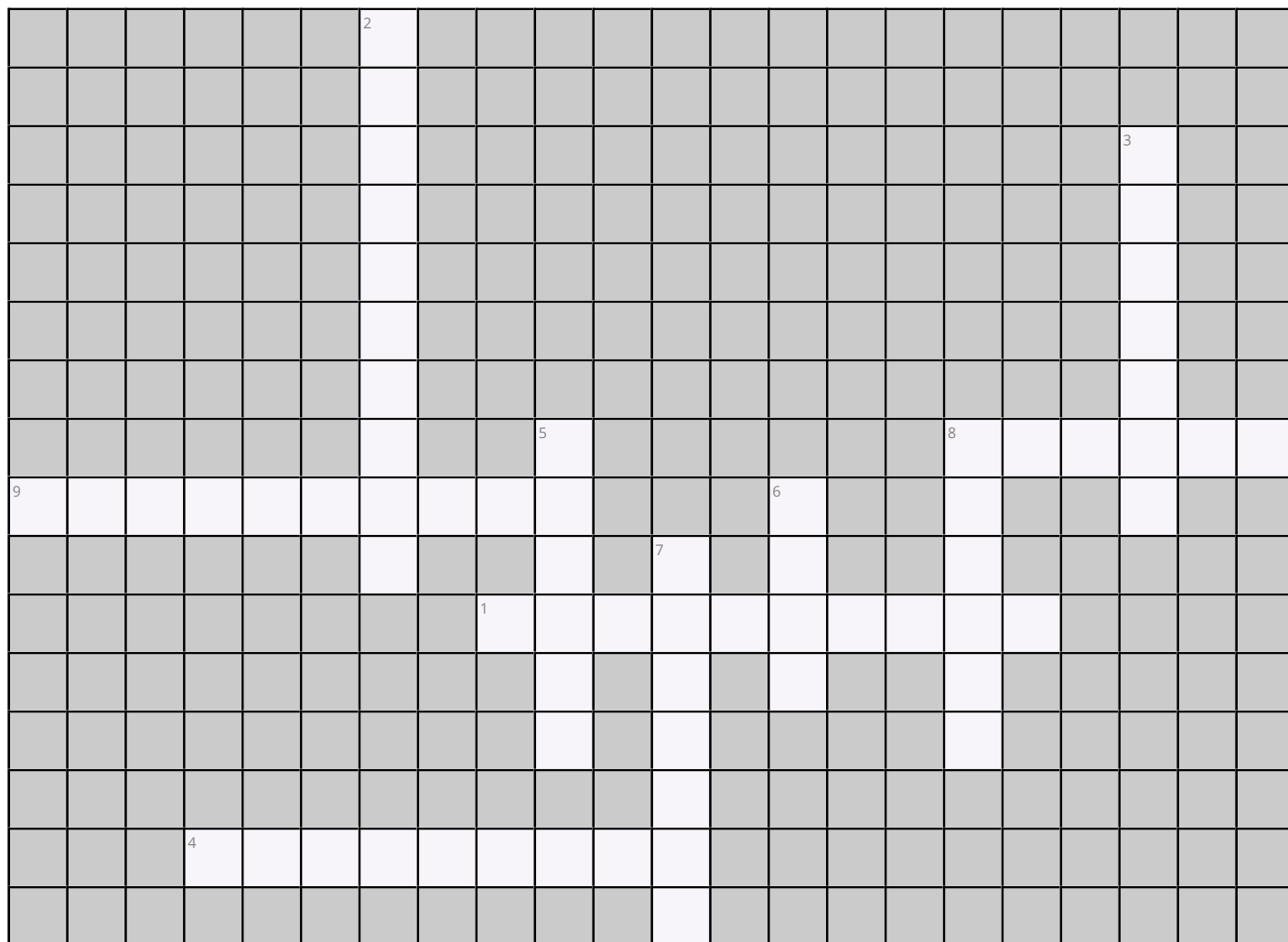
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Victoria's rule was marked by significant industrial, cultural, political, and scientific progress within the United Kingdom. She presided over the expansion of the British Empire, which became the largest empire in history. Her era saw major advancements in technology and infrastructure, including the construction of railways, bridges, and the London Underground. Among her notable achievements, Queen Victoria established the Victoria Cross in 1856, the highest military decoration for valor in the British armed forces. Her legacy includes...

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- 1 Queen Victoria was born on May 24, 1819, at this palace in London. (10)
4 Victoria's reign is known as the ____ Era. (9)
8 The era following Victoria's death is named after her son, King ____ VII. (6)
9 Victoria's reign saw the ____ Revolution, a period of major industrialization. (10)

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- 2 Victoria's father was Prince Edward, Duke of Kent and _____. (10)
3 Victoria became queen after the death of her uncle, King ____ IV. (7)
5 Victoria married her first cousin, Prince _____ of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha. (6)
6 Prince Albert and Queen Victoria had _____ children together. (4)
7 Victoria passed away on January 22, 1901, at _____ House on the Isle of Wight. (7)
8 Queen Victoria is often called the 'grandmother of _____' because many of her children married into other royal families. (6)