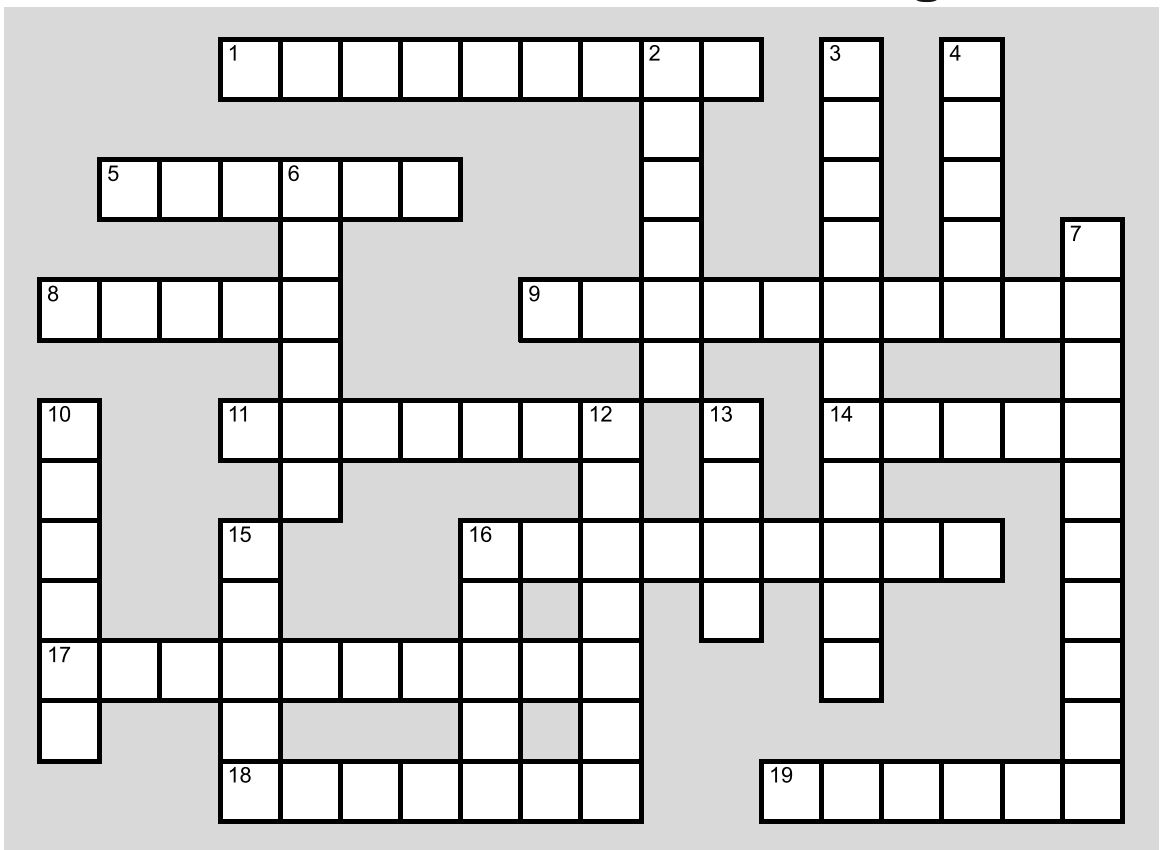


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## Across ➡

- 1 obligatory - must be done (9)
- 5 insist (6)
- 8 a physical and mental activity (5)
- 9 legally responsible (10)
- 11 the act of devotion to God (7)
- 14 not Shogi (5)
- 16 breaking an agreement or right (9)
- 17 sense of right conduct (10)
- 18 talk about (7)
- 19 see (6)

## Down ↓

- 2 Not accept (6)
- 3 limitation (11)
- 4 a kind of headscarf (5)
- 6 "Don't just talk about it, take...." (6)
- 7 not excessive (10)
- 10 consider reasonable (6)
- 12 defend (7)
- 13 be dressed in (4)
- 15 the lowest level (5)
- 16 the location for an event (5)

**Which is more important, religion or sport?**

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## **Transcript:**

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The Asian Chess Federation has declined to comment.

"This is probably a good way to start a conversation about it. And for people to actually take action. Because if no one notices, no one speaks about it. Then people are not held answerable and nothing changes."

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answerable	demand	notices	religious
champion	enforceable	personal	requirement
comment	expect	protect	venue
conscience	freedom	pulled out	violation
declined	mandatory	reasonable	worship

**Use the words in the box to complete the transcript. Some words appear more than once:**

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conscience	sense of right conduct
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declined	refused
demand	insist
dress code	rules about clothes
enforceable	can be made to happen
expect	consider reasonable
freedom	power to think, speak and act
mandatory	obligatory
notice	see
personal	particular to a given individual
protect	defend
pull out	disengage
reasonable	not excessive
refuse	not except
religious	believing in God
requirement	considered necessary
restriction	limitation
venue	location for an event
violation	breaking a human right
wear	be dressed in
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