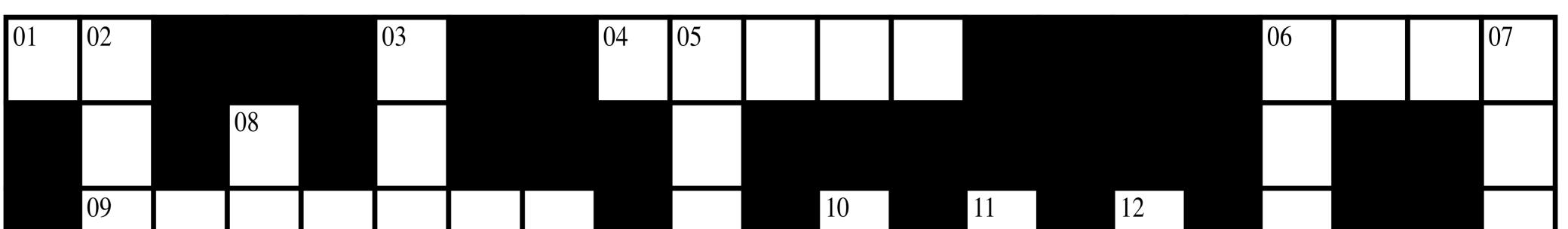
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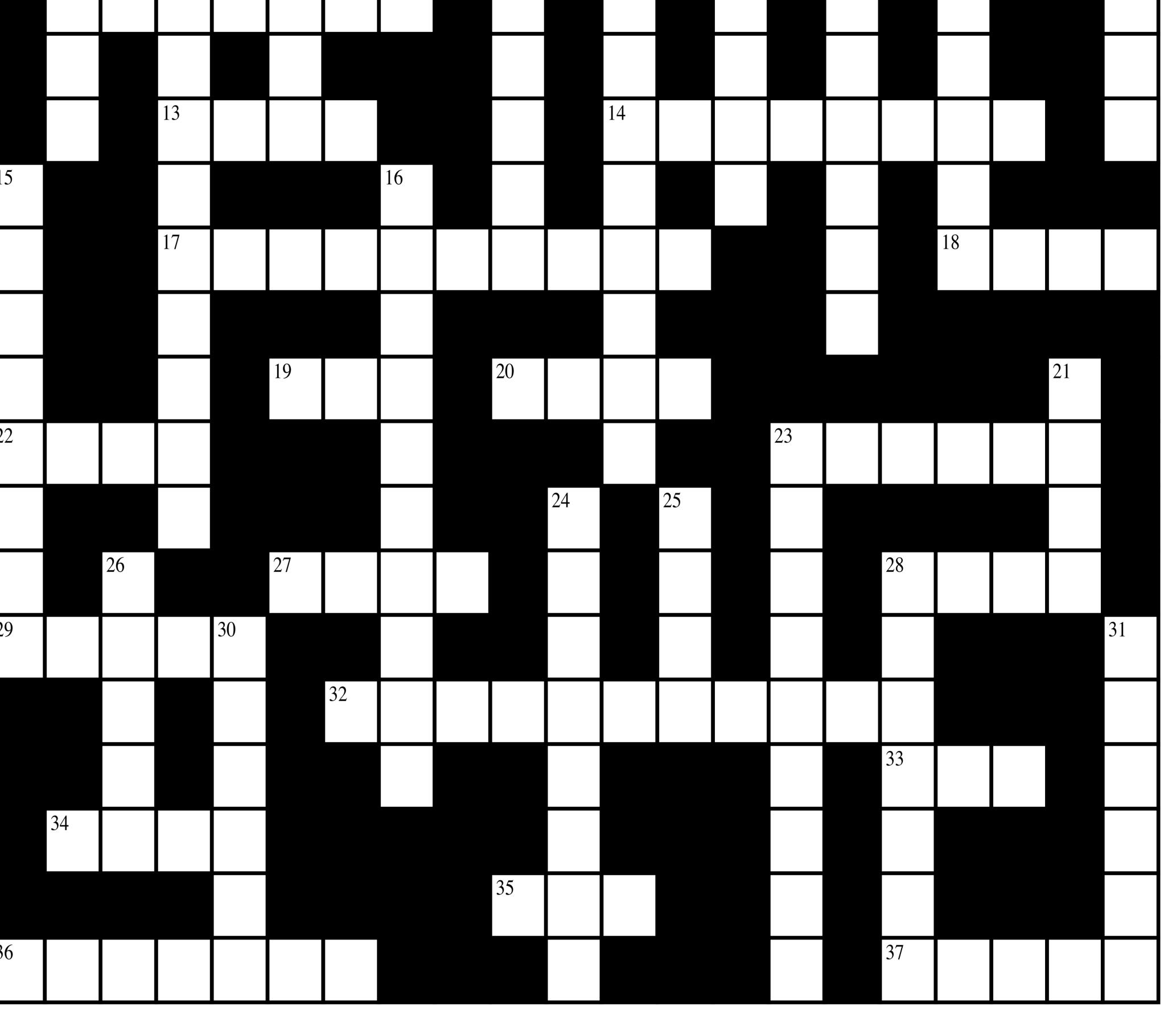
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- **06** A type of canned meat and unsolicited e-mail
- **09** A popular romance site for seniors that may contain scammers
- **13** A good way to remember your passwords
- 14 The Social Network
- **17** Scammers attempt to defraud a person by first gaining their _____
- **18** Another word for fraud
- **19** A scammer may claim to be calling from this agency, claiming that you have haven't paid your taxes
- **20** A way to transfer money from your bank account that is difficult to reverse
- 22 Asking for a video _____ is a good way to detect scammers
- 23 A scam email may offer the wealth of a Nigerian _____
- **27** Someone moving illegal money
- **28** Scammers can create fake profiles and contact you through Google _____



29 Never click on these if you get a suspicious email32 A scammer may claim to contact you from

- 34 Institution that will never call to ask for your password
- **35** A registry to opt out of telemarketing calls
- **36** Scammers can be from foreign countries. You should be suspicious of unknown callers with _____
- **37** A romance scammer pulls on your _____strings

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- **02** To impersonate a phone number
- **03** A common scam will make it seem that you've been overpaid for a refund; playing on the emotion of _____
- **05** If you suspect that a call is not legitimate, you can always hang up and call back at the number listed on the official _____
- **06** Over 92 thousand ______ were victims fraud in 2021, making them the most vulnerable population
- **07** Fraudsters are after your

- 21 Scammers may reach out to you via phone calls, emails, and _____
- 23 Software that is used to create misleading documents and images
- 24 Getting someone to reveal sensitive information
- 25 Call the national elder fraud hotline for _____
- 26 Over 95% of global scam calls originate from this country
- 28 A person pretending to be someone else online
- **30** _____ cost fallacy is a psychological phenomenon that may cause the victim of a scam to avoid admitting they've made a mistake
- **08** Scammers may pretend to be your _____ when they call and ask for money
- **10** Legitimate businesses will never ask for payment using a _____
- **11** Your browser will usually display this icon next to the address of a legitimate website
- 12 Scammers say they can't get this to turn on
- **15** A phone call with a pre-recorded message
- **16** Never open emails that are

31 Tech support scammers claim that they can help you with viruses that _____ your computer

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Scams are specially designed to catch us off guard, and they can happen to anyone. There's nothing to be ashamed of if you think you're a victim. Keep handy the phone numbers of resources that can help, including the local police, your bank (if money has been taken from your accounts), and the National Elder Fraud Hotline.

