

Shakespeare Crossword 1 (Sonnets 1 & 2)

Instructions

The crosswords in this series are combined with a poem, poems, or part of a poem. The same word that goes in the blanks in the poem goes into the crossword, as well. Each letter of the word goes on one space in the poem. The text "A-14" means "14 Across" in the crossword, the text "D-9" means "9 Down" in the crossword, and so on. The numbers in parentheses "(01)" are simply the line numbers, starting with 1. If you are not familiar with the poems, you should work the crossword that contains some of the letters. If you are familiar with the poems, then you can try the blank crossword. The solution to the crossword and the complete poems are at the end of this file.

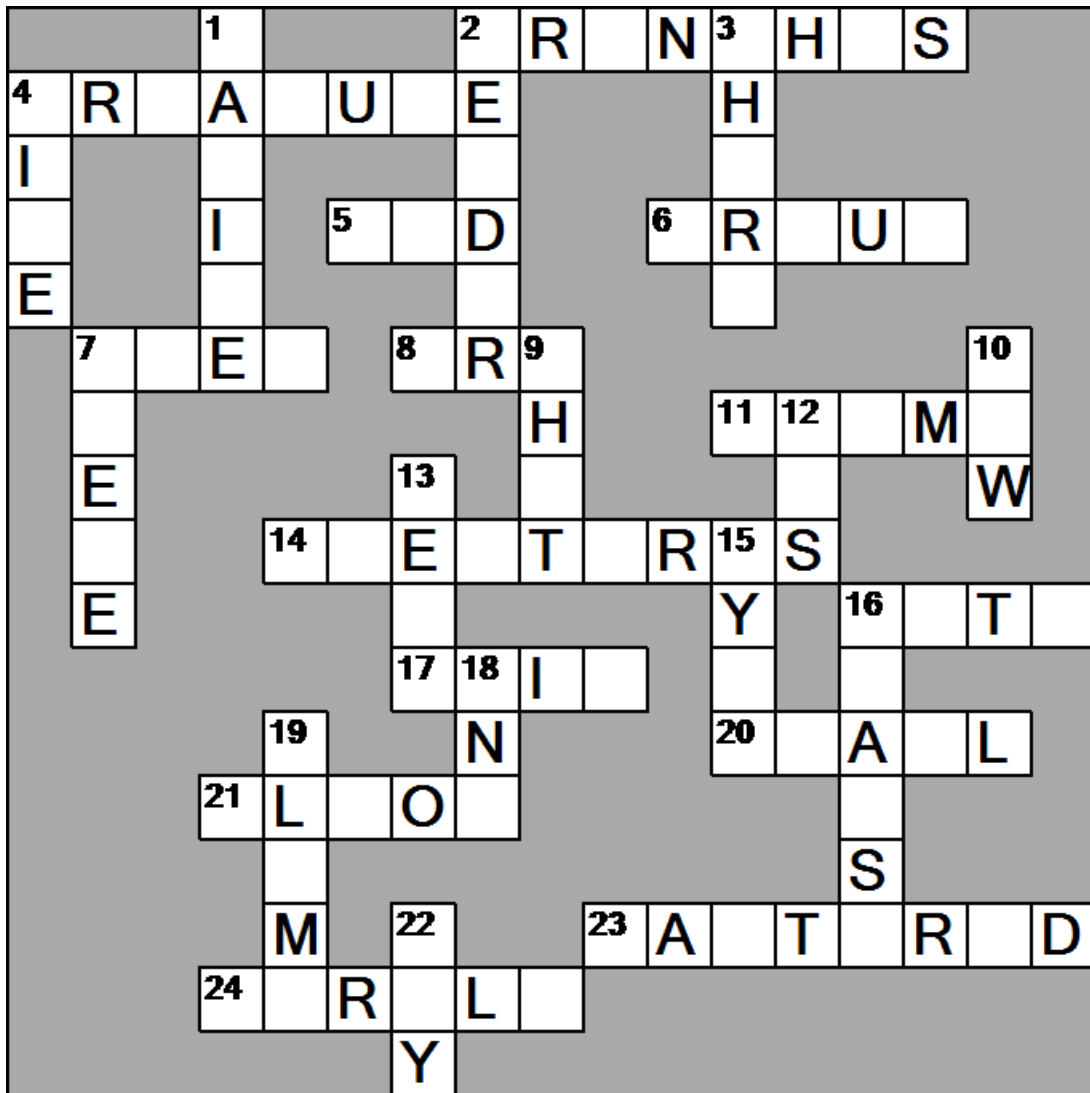
Sonnet 1 (Shakespeare)

- A-14. (01) From fairest ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ we desire increase,
D-9. (02) ___ ___ ___ ___ thereby beauty's rose might never die,
D-4. (03) But as the riper should by ___ ___ ___ ___ decrease,
D-2. (04) His ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ heir might bear his memory:
D-15. (05) But thou contracted to thine own bright ___ ___ ___ ___ ,
D-19. (06) Feed'st thy light's ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ with self-substantial fuel,
D-1. (07) Making a ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ where abundance lies,
D-13. (08) Thy self thy foe, to thy sweet ___ ___ ___ ___ too cruel:
A-8. (09) Thou that ___ ___ ___ ___ now the world's fresh ornament,
A-24. (10) And only ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ to the gaudy spring,
A-5. (11) Within thine own ___ ___ ___ ___ buriest thy content,
D-3. (12) And, tender ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ , mak'st waste in niggarding:
A-16. (13) ___ ___ ___ ___ the world, or else this glutton be,
D-18. (14) To eat the world's due, by the grave ___ ___ ___ ___ thee.

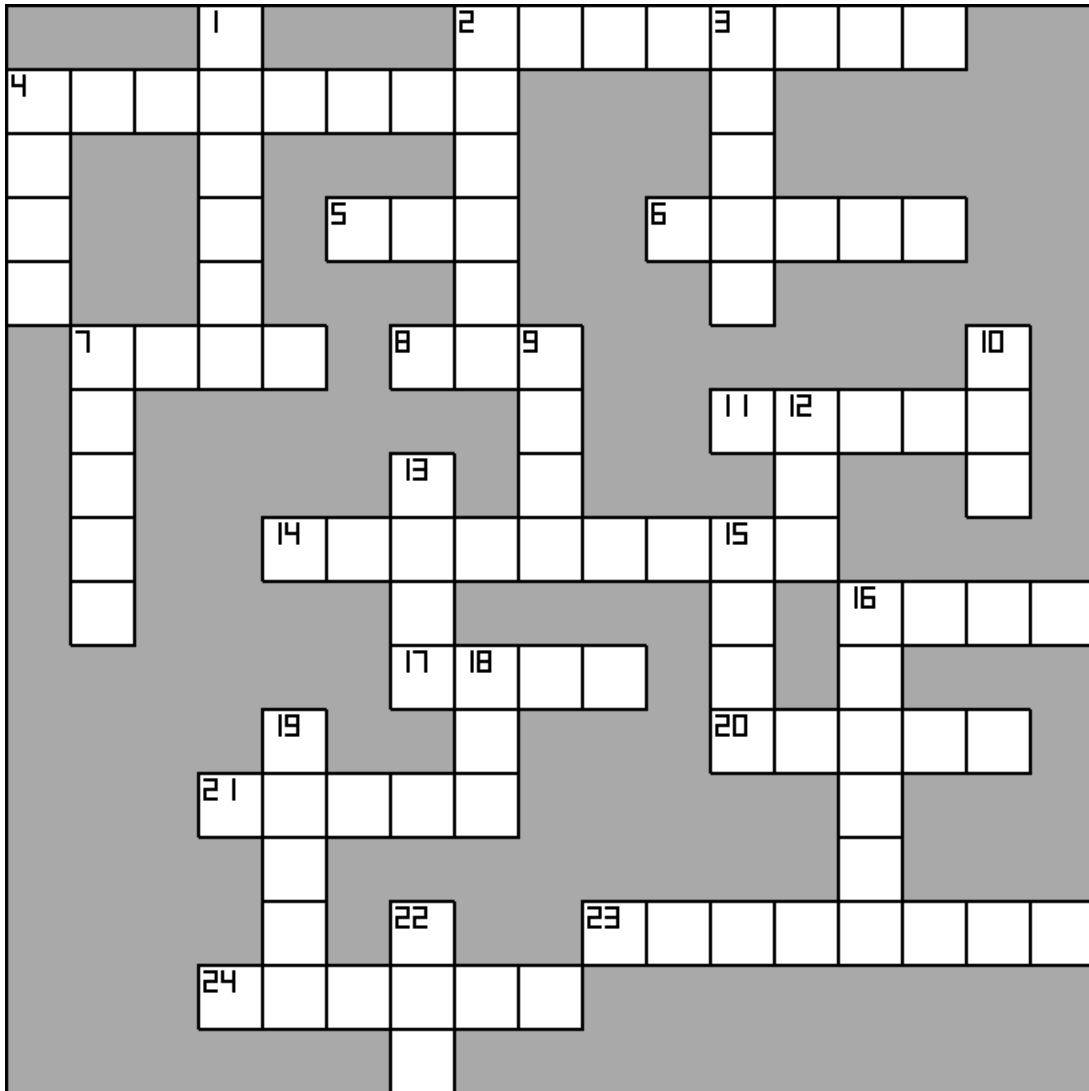
Sonnet 2 (Shakespeare)

- A-7. (15) ___ ___ ___ ___ forty winters shall besiege thy brow,
A-2. (16) And dig deep ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ in thy beauty's field,
A-6. (17) Thy youth's ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ livery so gazed on now,
A-23. (18) Will be a ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ weed of small worth held:
D-7. (19) Then being asked, ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ all thy beauty lies,
A-4. (20) Where all the ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ of thy lusty days;
D-22. (21) To ___ ___ ___ ___ within thine own deep sunken eyes,
A-11. (22) Were an all-eating ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ , and thriftless praise.
D-16. (23) How much more ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ deserved thy beauty's use,
A-17. (24) If thou couldst answer 'This ___ ___ ___ ___ child of mine
A-20. (25) ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ sum my count, and make my old excuse'
D-12. (26) Proving ___ ___ ___ ___ beauty by succession thine.
D-10. (27) This were to be ___ ___ ___ ___ made when thou art old,
A-21. (28) And see thy ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ warm when thou feel'st it cold.

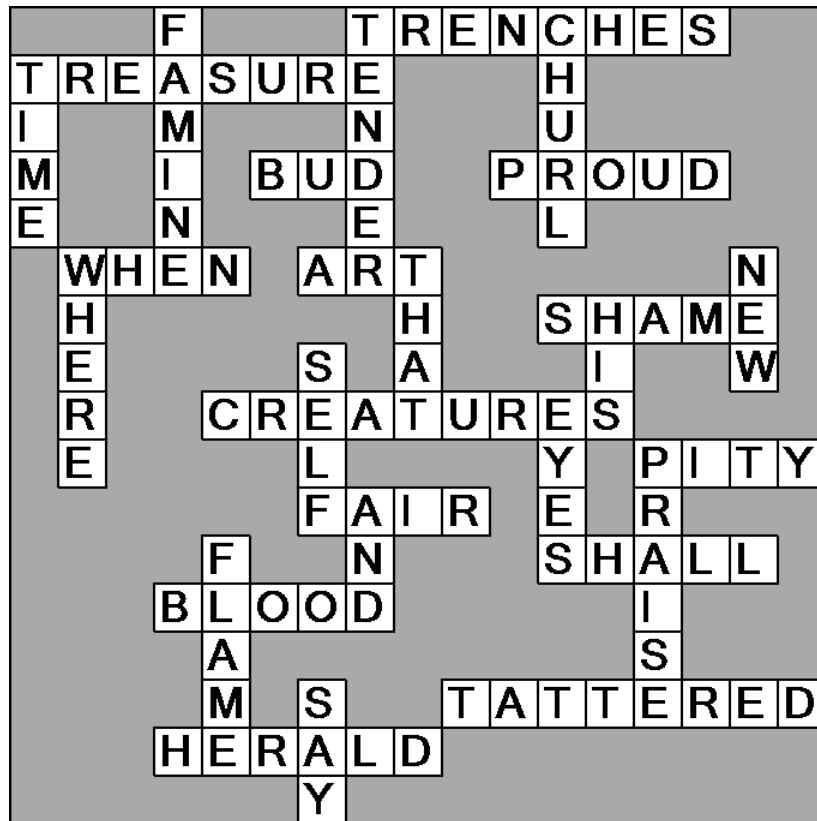
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From fairest creatures we desire increase,
That thereby beauty's rose might never die,
But as the ripper should by time decease,
His tender heir might bear his memory:
But thou contracted to thine own bright eyes,
Feed'st thy light's flame with self-substantial fuel,
Making a famine where abundance lies,
Thy self thy foe, to thy sweet self too cruel:
Thou that art now the world's fresh ornament,
And only herald to the gaudy spring,
Within thine own bud buriest thy content,
And, tender churl, mak'st waste in niggarding:
Pity the world, or else this glutton be,
To eat the world's due, by the grave and thee.

Sonnet 2 (Shakespeare)

When forty winters shall besiege thy brow,
And dig deep trenches in thy beauty's field,
Thy youth's proud livery so gazed on now,
Will be a tattered weed of small worth held:
Then being asked, where all thy beauty lies,
Where all the treasure of thy lusty days;
To say within thine own deep sunken eyes,
Were an all-eating shame, and thriftless praise.
How much more praise deserved thy beauty's use,
If thou couldst answer 'This fair child of mine
Shall sum my count, and make my old excuse'
Proving his beauty by succession thine.
This were to be new made when thou art old,
And see thy blood warm when thou feel'st it cold.