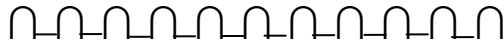


PERUSING

PERFS



Perforations are small holes punched into the margins between the stamps, making it easier to separate them.

Henry Archer invented perforations in 1848.

Great Britain was the first country to issue stamps with perforations.



I am an imperforate stamp, I do not have any perforations. I was the first stamp in the world to be issued.

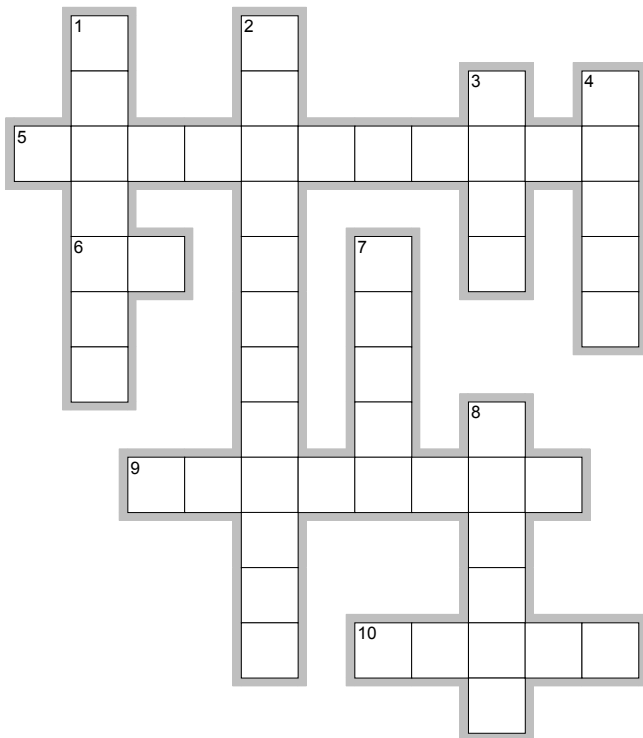
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Ordinary perfs

Fake perfs



PERF CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Across

5. stamps that have no perforations are called
6. the initials of the country where perforations were first used.
9. before perforations, stamps had to be cut apart with.
10. the pointy part of the perforation.

Down

1. try not to have stamps with _____ perforations in your collection.
2. jagged edge on stamps.
3. some stamps have _____ perforations.
4. the abbreviated word for perforations
7. perforations are tiny _____ in the paper.
8. who invented perforations? Mr _____

PERFORATIONS

Stamp collectors use a perforation gauge to measure how many holes in a distance of 2cm.

Perf $11\frac{3}{4}$



14



$14\frac{1}{2}$

Frog Perf $14 \times 14\frac{1}{2}$

