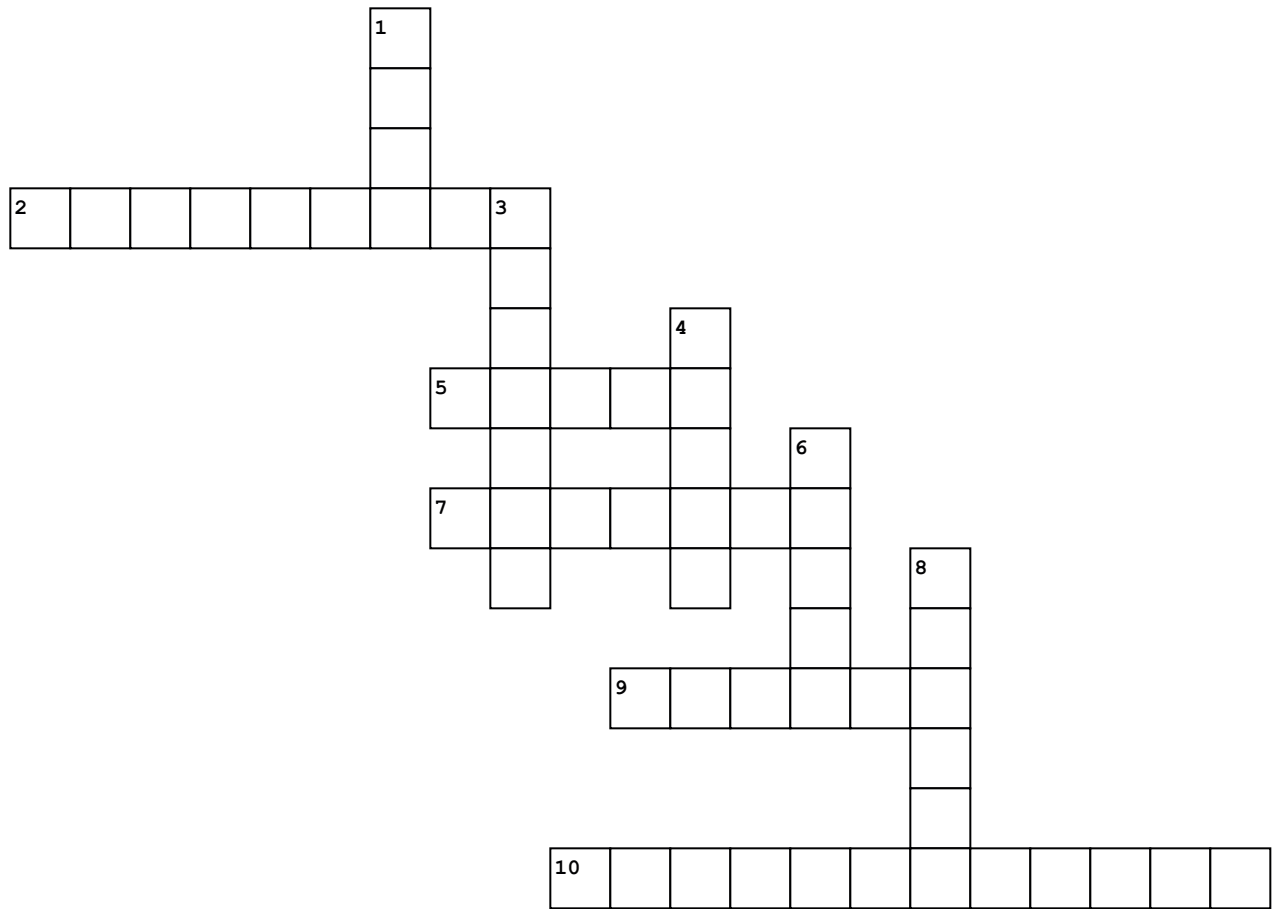


# Somali Marriage Vocabulary



## Across

2. The process of dating or courtship in Somali culture, distinct from Western dating practices
5. The bride price traditionally paid by the groom's family to the bride's family, often in livestock or money
7. The line of descent from an ancestor, which plays a crucial role in marriage decisions within Somali culture
9. Money given to attendees of the marriage contract; it varies based on the groom's financial situation and the number of guests
10. Communities that engage in both agriculture and pastoralism, relevant in understanding marriage practices in rural Somali areas

## Down

1. A group of families or households that share a common ancestor, significant in Somali marriage and social structure
3. Law The legal framework derived from Islamic teachings that governs various aspects of life, including marriage and family structures.
4. A three-month waiting period after divorce that a woman must observe to ensure she is not pregnant
6. The dowry pledged by the groom, which may not need to be paid immediately unless requested by the bride
8. The engagement process where the groom's family formally expresses interest in marrying a bride