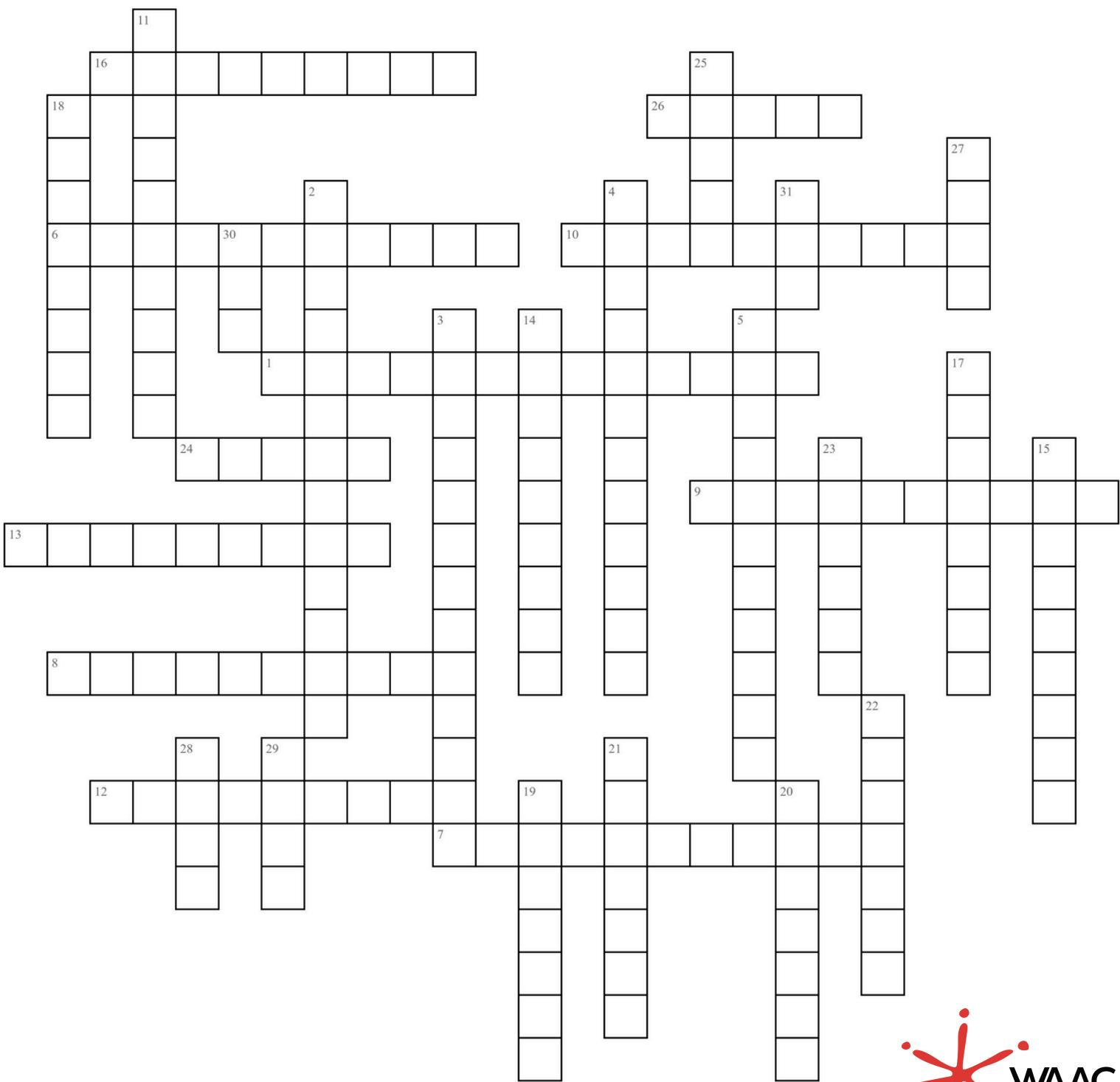


Sexual health crossword

Created for WA Sexual Health Week 2026, this light-hearted crossword uses humour and everyday language to spark curiosity and conversations about sexual health. The activity reflects this year's theme, Culture and Connection, recognising that our beliefs about bodies, relationships and sexual health are shaped by our cultures, communities and the connections we have.



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How to do the crossword

Read each clue and write the correct answer into the grid, filling in words across or down. Some answers are two words written as one, so check the numbers next to the clues for the number of letters (e.g. '2,5' means the first word is 2 letters and the second is 5). There are some acronyms too! If you get stuck, skip a clue and return to it later – other answers may help.

Clues

Across

1. We are told this is 'key' (13)
6. When someone's gender does not match what they were assigned at birth (11)
7. Asking for help from trusted people or services (4,7)
8. Stronger than Wi Fi – Feeling safe supported and understood with others (10)
9. An STI that can affect the throat, genitals or rectum (10)
10. A liver infection that can be passed on through sexual fluids (e.g., semen, vaginal fluid) and can be prevented with a vaccine (9,1)
12. Thin barrier used during oral sex for STI protection (6,3)
13. A common STI that often has no symptoms (9)
16. People we connect with who support and care for each other (9)
24. External anatomy that comes in many shapes and sizes (no rankings) (5)
26. A reclaimed word celebrating diverse sexualities and genders (5)

Down

2. An approach that says informed, respectful choices are a good thing (3,10)
3. Unwritten rules that vary depending on where and how you grew up (8,5)
4. More than just STIs – includes wellbeing, safety and pleasure (6,6)
5. Entertainment – not sex education (11)
11. Personal limits that help people feel safe and respected (10)
14. Different bodies, identities and experiences – all valid (9)
15. Feeling okay in your body, mind and relationships (9)
17. An old-school STI that still has not retired (8)
18. An organ whose main purpose is pleasure (8)
19. Getting checked, even when you feel totally fine (7)
20. If it is not an enthusiastic yes, it is a no (7)
21. The bare minimum that somehow still deserves a reminder (7)
22. Flirting – but make it digital (and consensual) (7)
23. The most overqualified piece of rubber (6)
25. The external genital that deserves to be named correctly (5)
27. Slippery helper that reduces friction and increases comfort (and fun) (4)
28. An activity that requires trust, consent and definitely lube (4)
29. Western Australian HIV organisation (4)
30. Something you cannot always see – which is why testing matters (3)
31. A virus you cannot catch from hugs, sharing food or kissing (3)