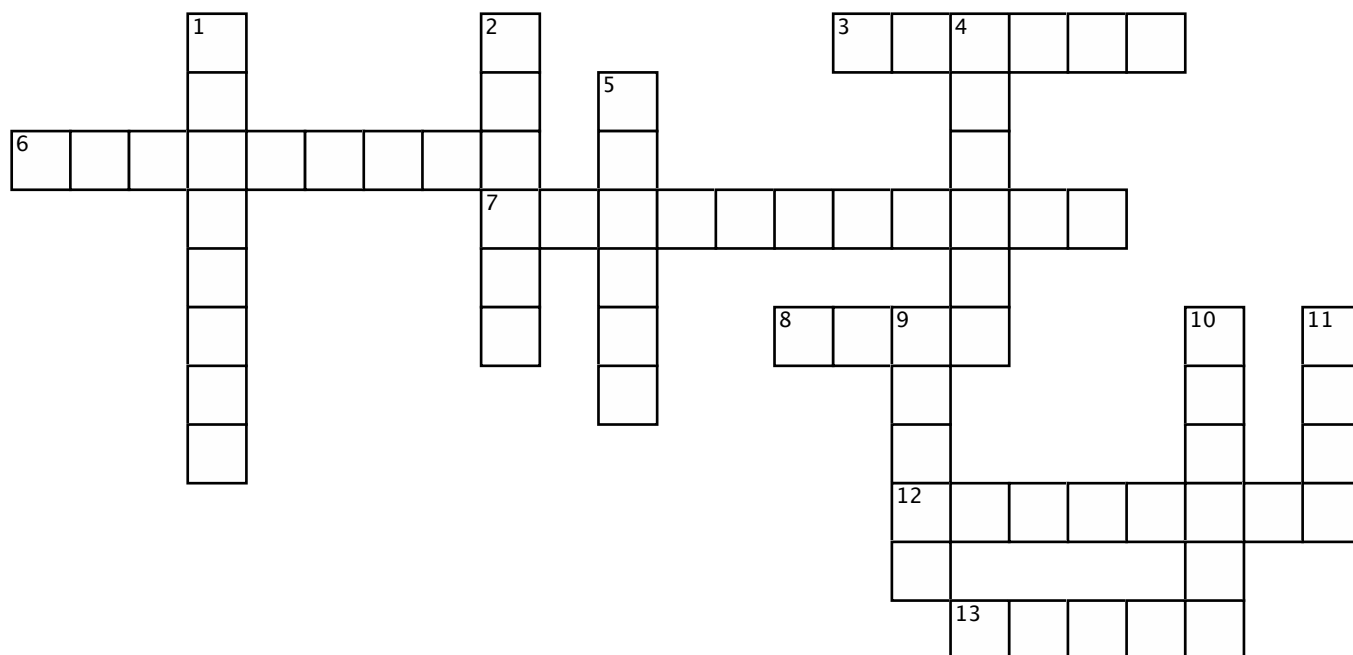


Football Vocabulary: Playing the Game



Across

3. You can hear this phrase when one of the defenders tells the rest of the defence to move forward and away from their own goal. It is often used to catch people offside.
6. Don't trap or control the ball, hit it when it arrives
7. This is a pass played quickly (usually first time) to a team mate who is running in on goal. An effective weapon to break down a defence
8. This is what you can say to one of your team mates when he/she receives the ball and has time to move with the ball - it is the opposite of man on
12. This is used by one of your team mates when he / she wants you to give them the ball on their head.
13. This is used by one of your team mates when he / she wants you to give them the ball on their chest. This expression might be heard at a throw-in.

Down

1. This expression is used to tell your team mate to play a simple rather than a difficult ball as your team wants to keep possession
2. This is sometimes known as a wall pass and means to give and then quickly receive a pass from one of your team mates. It can be an effective tactic in crowded areas to allow players to get free
4. This is what you say to a team mate when you are standing to their left or right, i.e. beside them and you want them to pass to you
5. This is said by players when defending a corner, free kick or other set piece and means to ensure that an opponent is not free, in other words get close to them
9. A warning given to a team mate with the ball that an opponent is nearby; be careful there is someone near you
10. This is used by one of your team mates when he / she wants you to pass to them on the ground.
11. This is said to a team mate who has the ball that he or she should keep it a little longer, don't pass it just yet. This is particularly used for telling a centre forward to hold on to possession