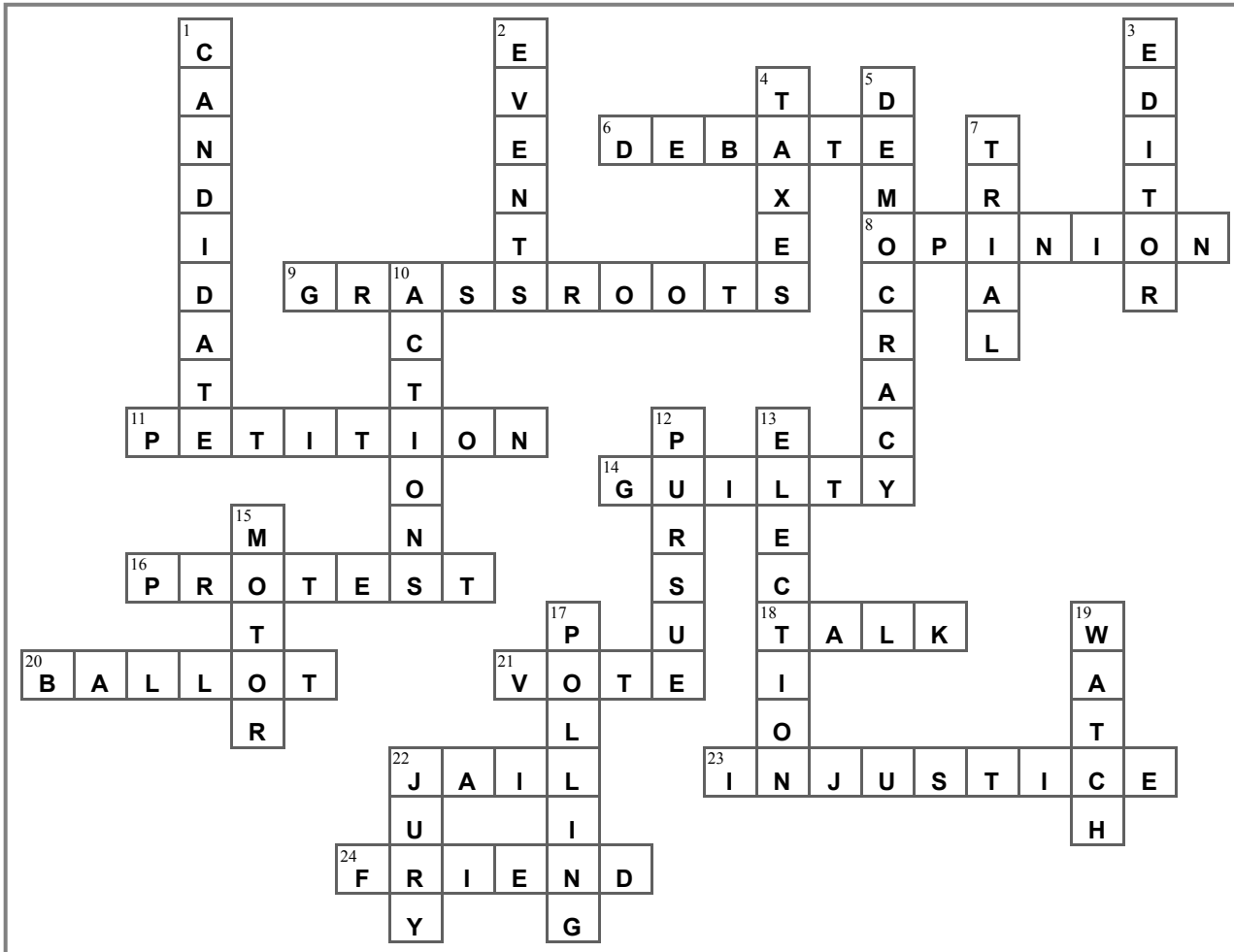


Actions That Involve Us in the Democratic Process



Across

6. A discussion on issues between two candidates is called a _____.
8. Action - Express your _____ to an elected official.
9. When Americans come together to do something on their own, it is often called a _____ effort. First part of this word is what grows in a lawn.
11. Action - Sign a _____ you agree with. It's a document organizations circulate so citizens will sign and which then gets sent to another organization hoping to influence their position on an issue.
14. Americans charged with a crime are assumed to be innocent until proven to be _____.
16. Action - _____ over something you feel strongly about.
18. One way to express your opinion is by calling a radio _____ show.

Down

1. A person who runs for public office is called a _____ for that office.
2. Action - Talk about current _____ at dinner with your family.
3. When a citizen writes a letter to a newspaper expressing an opinion, it is called a letter to the _____.
4. Action - Pay the _____ you owe.
5. A government "of the people, by the people and for the people" as President Abraham Lincoln said in his famous Gettysburg Address.
7. Information presented by attorneys at a _____ is called evidence.
10. Action - Tell someone when you don't approve of their _____.
12. Action - _____ injustices, even at personal convenience. Means to go after.
13. The day on which Americans vote is called _____ day.

20. One can vote at a polling location or by sending in an absentee _____, completing it at home and then returning it the Registrar of Voters.
 21. Action - _____. What citizens over 18 should do in an election.
 22. Speaking out against the government in some countries can land you in _____.
 23. Action - Pursue _____, even at personal inconvenience. Something that you don't think isn't fair.
 24. Action - Ask a _____ how they feel about a specific issue. Another word for buddy.
15. One way to register to vote is through the Department of _____ Vehicles.
 17. Action - Work at a _____ location. The place where one votes.
 19. Action - _____ a debate between candidates for elected office.
 22. Action - Serve on a _____, if asked. They listen to the facts of a case and make a decision which a judge announces.