Spellings: Suffixes ending with -ous

The rule:

Rule 1 - just add -ous

eg mountain → mountainous

Rule 2 - root words ending in 'y'

eg envy → envious

Rule 3 - root words ending in 'e'

eg ridicule → ridiculous

Rule 4 - root words ending in 'our'

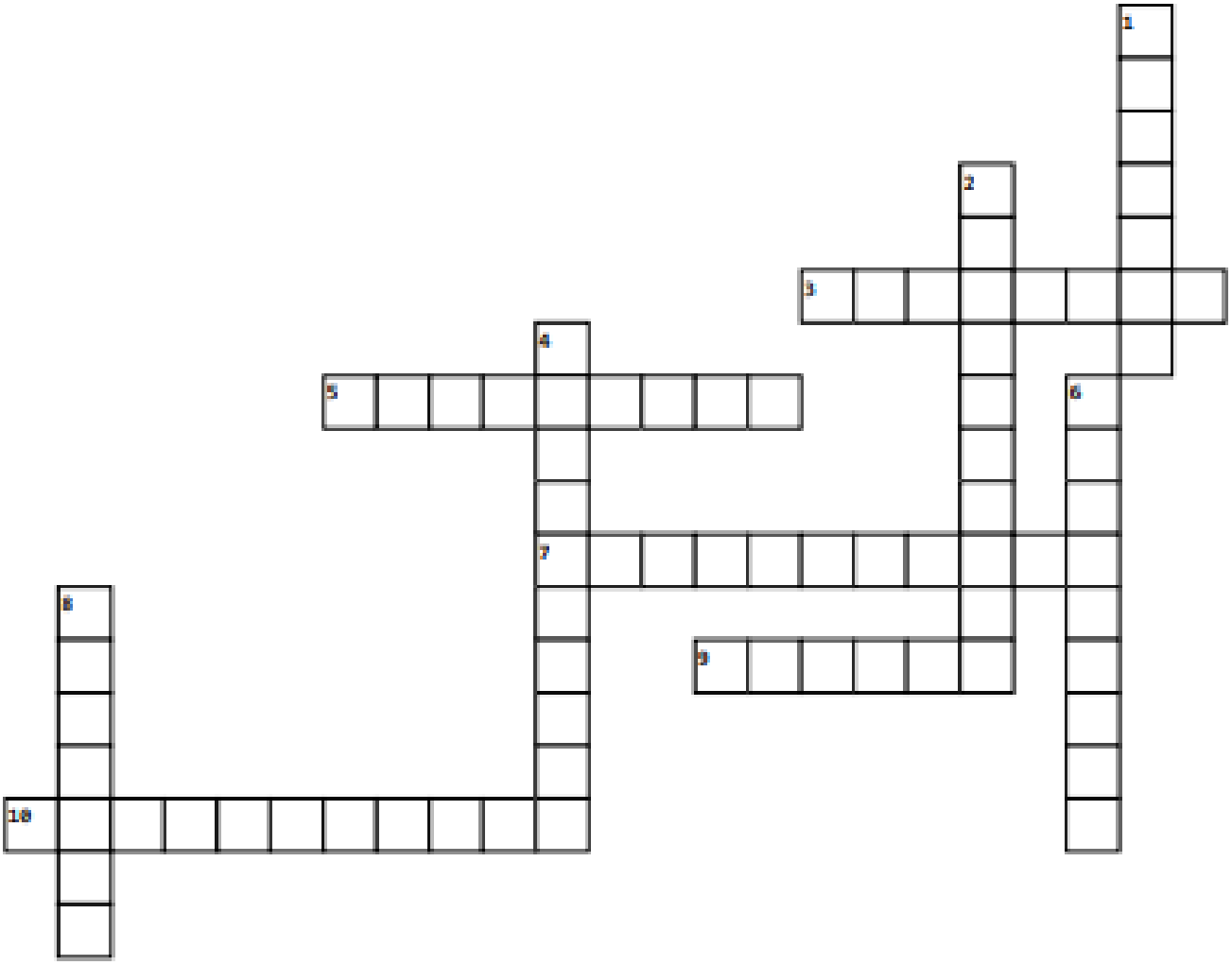
eg glamour → glamorous

Activity 1 -

Circle the correct spelling of each word

poisonous	poinsoneous	poisonious
dangerous	dangerious	dangereous
mountainous	mountaineous	mountainious
outrageous	outragious	outragous
envy	envious	enveous
famious	famuous	fame
luxureous	luxurious	luxuryous

-ous words



Across

3. Very large or huge in size.

5. Very beautiful or attractive, often in a showy way.

7. Ready to take on challenges.

9. well-known for something.

10. Having a lot of mountains.

Down

1. Feeling unhappy because someone has something you want.

2. Very impressive or excellent.

4. Brave and willing to face danger.

6. Very dangerous or harmful to health.

8. Feeling unhappy because someone else has something you want.