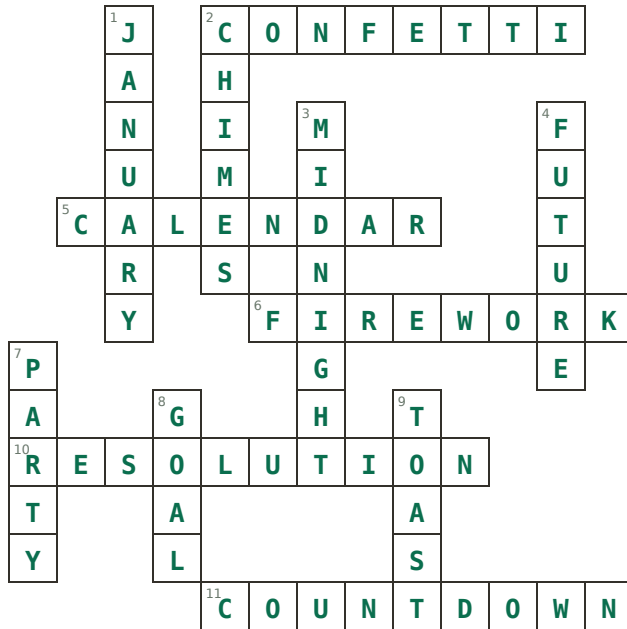


New Year Crossword Puzzle (solution)

12 words to solve: 5 across, 7 down.



Across

2. Small colored paper pieces tossed in celebration (8)
5. System of months, weeks and days (8)
6. Explosive display of light in the sky (8)
10. Promise to change or improve in the coming year (10)
11. Backward count to midnight (9)

Down

1. First month of the year (7)
2. Bells heard as the clock strikes twelve (6)
3. Moment when the new year begins (8)
4. Time that has not happened yet (6)
7. Social celebration with guests (5)
8. A result you plan to achieve (4)
9. Short speech followed by raised glasses (5)