

# Crossword Puzzle

1. An Armenian national symbol that geographically lies in Turkey
2. A Turkic ethnic group from the Volga region
3. The Georgian name for Georgia
4. A mountain range in Central Asia, often called the “Roof of the World”
5. A type of fertile black soil found in parts of Eastern Europe and Central Asia, crucial for agriculture
6. Upholders of the Putinist regime, often with a military or security background
7. First letters of the party of Zelensky (in English)
8. A Russian-language television channel based in the Netherlands (in English)
9. A city where the 1975 document meant to improve détente between the East and the West was signed
10. The condition of Eurasian dissidents who have fled their respective autocracies to avoid persecution or imprisonment
11. First name of the Moldovan president
12. A Turkic ethnic group native to southern Moldova
13. The birthplace of the Solidarity movement
14. A dissident movement in Czechoslovakia during the Soviet occupation
15. A national dish of Crimean Tatar cuisine
16. Sentimentality for Yugoslavia
17. A northern sea extension of the Black Sea
18. A mountain range connecting the Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary, Austria, Slovakia, Ukraine, Romania, and Serbia
19. Local government assemblies in Imperial Russia
20. A treaty that redrew Hungary’s borders after WWI
21. Persian New Year, widely celebrated in Central Asia
22. The process of vetting officials after the fall of communist regimes in CEE
23. A 2011 massacre on striking oil workers in Kazakhstan

Right answers: 1. Ararat 2. Tatars 3. Sakartvelo 4. Pamir 5. Chernozem 6. Siloviki 7. SoTP 8. Rain 9. Helsinki 10. Exile 11. Maia 12. Gagauz 13. Gdansk 14. Charta77 15. Cheburek 16. Yugonostalgia 17. Azov 18. Carpathians 19. Zemstvo 20. Trianon 21. Navruz 22. Lustration 23. Zhanaozen

