

[Moon River](#) sung by Audrey Hepburn

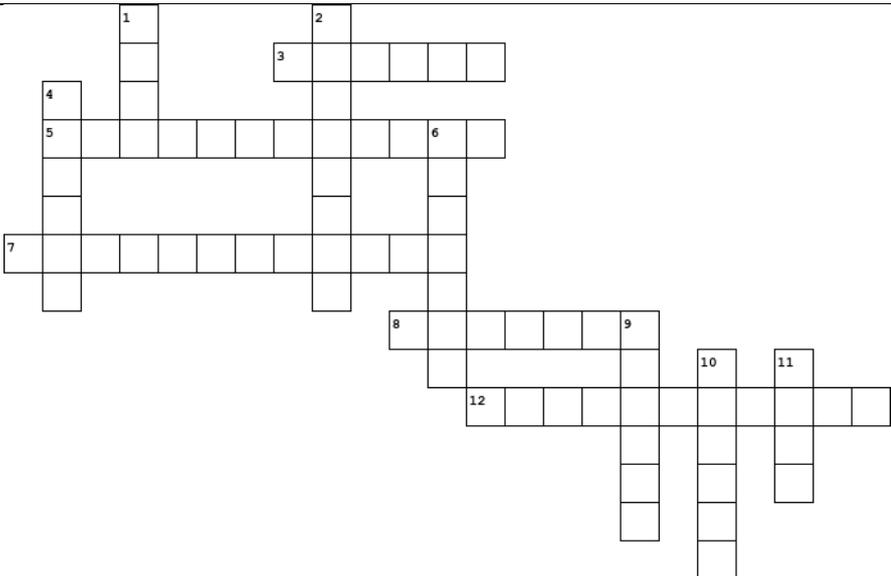
(information and text sources, various Wikipedia entries)

[Moon River](#) is a song composed by [Henry Mancini](#) (also known for [The Pink Panther Theme](#)), with lyrics by [Johnny Mercer](#). The song was originally performed by [Audrey Hepburn](#) in the 1961 film [Breakfast at Tiffany's](#), winning an Oscar for Best Original Song, as well as other awards. In 1999, Mancini's recording was inducted into the [Grammy Hall of Fame](#). The song has also been recorded by many other artists.

Audrey Kathleen Hepburn (née Ruston; 4 May 1929 – 20 January 1993) was a British actress, and recognised as a film and fashion icon. Born into an aristocratic family in Ixelles, Brussels, Hepburn spent parts of her childhood in Belgium, the United Kingdom and the Netherlands, attending boarding school in Kent from 1936 to 1939. Her mother believed that the Netherlands would avoid World War II by being neutral, as it had done in World War I. Instead Hepburn lived much of the war under occupation, witnessed the deportation of Jews and children and suffered the [Dutch famine of 1944-45](#). After the War and when she had recovered her health, she pursued ballet training, and began playing on stage in London. Her big breakthroughs came in the early 1950s, playing [Gigi](#) on Broadway and starring in [Roman Holiday](#).

Breakfast at Tiffany's is a 1961 American [romantic comedy](#) (or “romcom”) film directed by [Blake Edwards](#) from a screenplay by [George Axelrod](#) and based on the [1958 novella](#) by [Truman Capote](#). It stars Audrey Hepburn and George Peppard, with Hepburn playing a naïve, eccentric socialite, who meets Peppard, a struggling writer who moves into her apartment building. An instrumental version of Moon River is played over the film's opening titles, the lyrics are first heard in a scene where Peppard meets Hepburn singing the song, accompanying herself on the guitar while sitting on the fire escape outside their apartments.

The words in the crossword come from the text above.

	<p style="text-align: center;">Down</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Broadway role that launched Hepburn’s stardom (4) 2. Type of school Hepburn attended in Kent (8) 4. Severe food shortage Hepburn endured in 1944-45 (6) 6. Brussels district where a famous actress was born (7) 9. Composer’s partner in songwriting (5) 10. Art form Hepburn trained in post-war (6) 11. Where Hepburn sang Moon River with a guitar (4) <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Crossword by Crosswords Lab, online here.</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Across</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Genre of <i>Breakfast at Tiffany's</i> (6) 5. Born into a high-class family (12) 7. Version of Moon River heard in the opening titles (12) 8. How the Netherlands hoped to remain during WWII (7) 12. Tragic wartime event Hepburn witnessed (11) 	