

# Don't play games with your credit

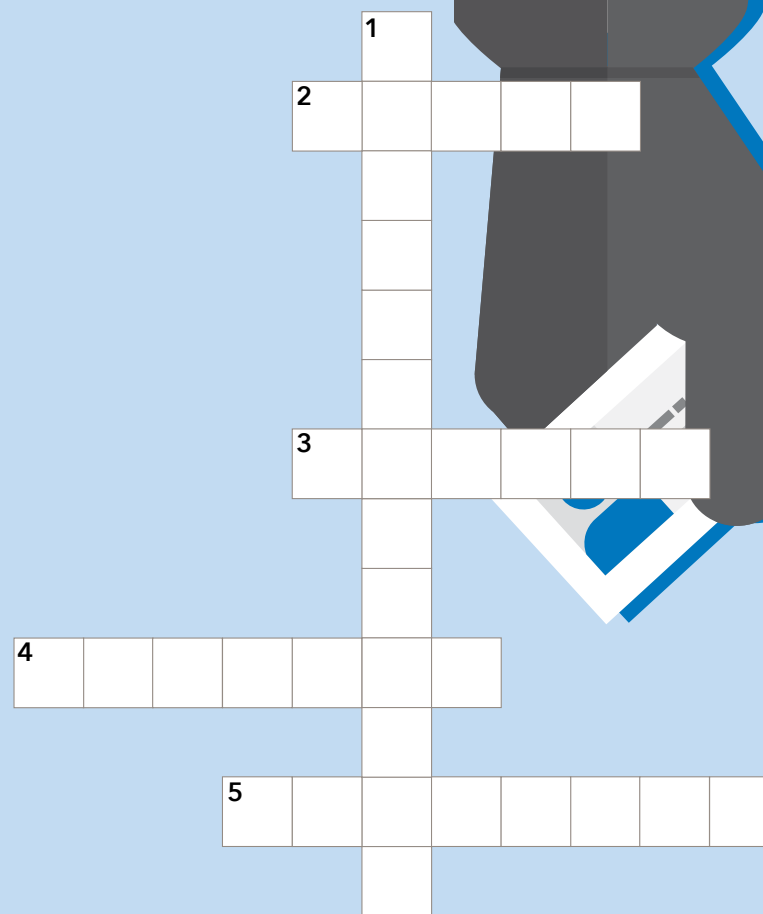
You spend your life building your credit. Now protect it. Complete the crossword puzzle below.

## Vertical

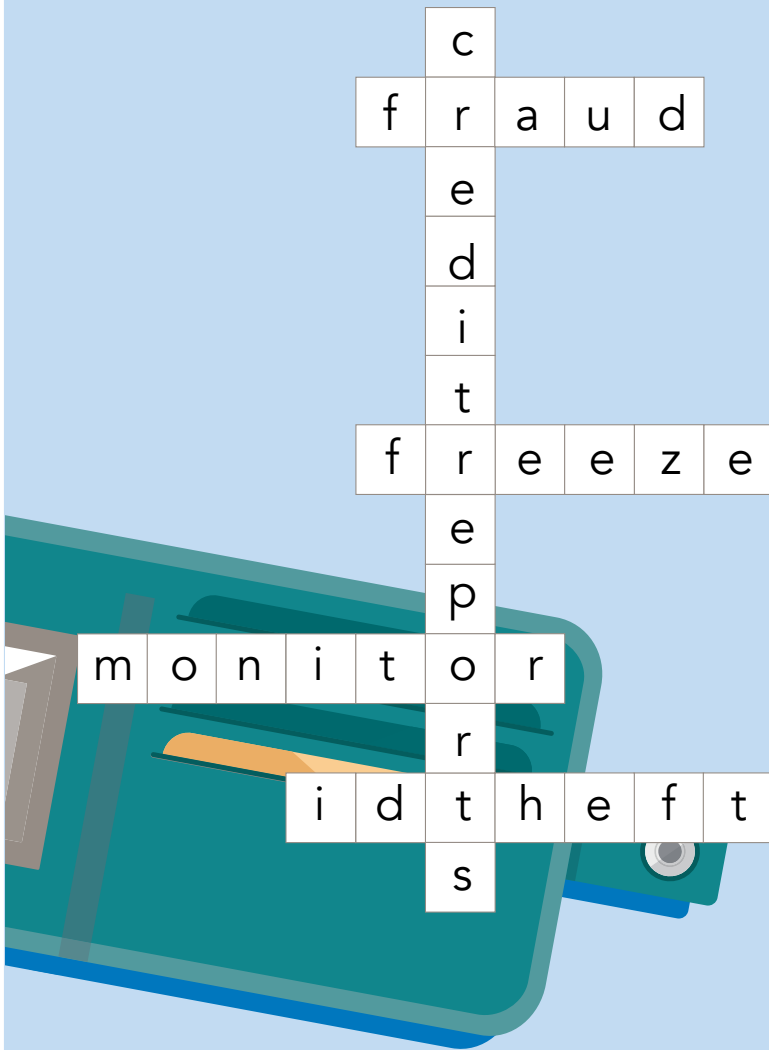
- 1 You can get free \_\_\_\_\_ each year from [annualcreditreport.com](https://annualcreditreport.com).

## Horizontal

- 2 Place a \_\_\_\_\_ alert with the credit reporting companies if someone uses your personal information to open a new account.
- 3 If your personal information was exposed in a data breach, you may want to place a security \_\_\_\_\_ on your credit report.
- 4 Regularly \_\_\_\_\_ your bank and credit card statements for fraud and mistakes.
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_ includes when someone uses your personal information to open new accounts in your name.



# Answers



Report identity theft to police and to the FTC at [ftc.gov/complaint](https://www.ftc.gov/complaint) and to each of the three largest credit reporting companies.

## Equifax

Security Freeze (800) 685-1111

Place a fraud alert (888) 766-0008

## Experian

Security Freeze (888) 397-3742

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## TransUnion

Security Freeze (800) 680-7289

Place a fraud alert (888) 909-8872