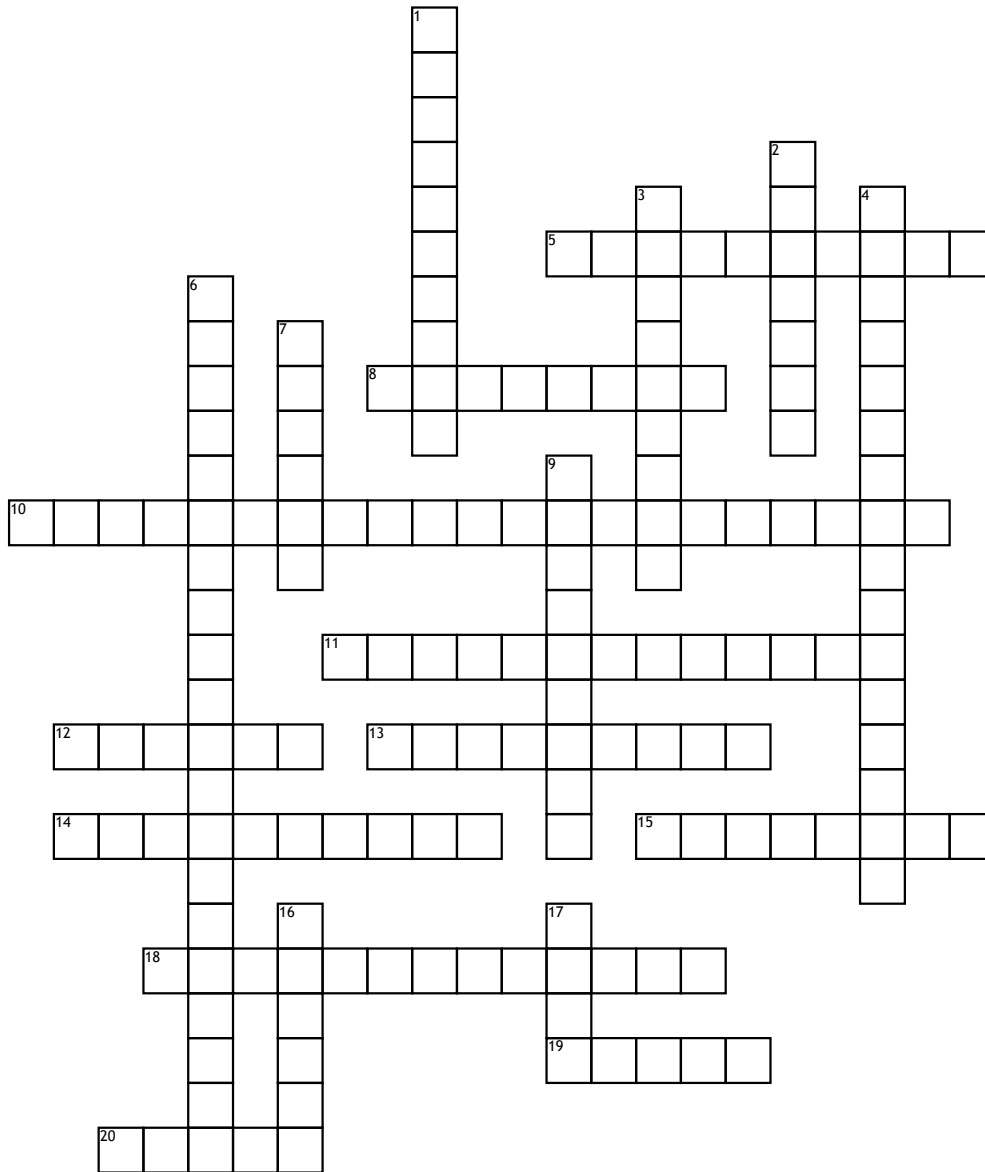


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Chordates Crossword



Across

5. Largest group of mammals which feed their fetus during gestation
8. Crown group mammals evolved from earlier mammalian forms during this period
10. Birds and mammals share this characteristic
11. Flightless birds, such as the ostrich, belong to this group
12. The feeding method for both tunicates and lancelets
13. Egg-laying mammalian group
14. These reptiles carry their young in their mouth

15. The difference between vertebrate and invertebrate chordates
18. Modern birds are a descendant of this species
19. Small amphibians such as salamanders and frogs lack this vital organ as they rely on their skin to breathe
20. Birds with short thick beaks are adapted to eat this food

Down

1. This region of the brain is slightly larger in reptiles than in amphibians
2. The first class of fish to appear in the fossil record

3. Least known amphibian class
4. Which theory was inspired by observation of the finch?
6. Sub phylum of marine chordates with similar characteristics to the ancestors of all vertebrates
7. The only legless group of reptiles
9. Region of the brain unique to mammals
16. Which member of the class Chonrichthyes has a cartilaginous skeleton and re-grows its teeth?
17. What is the largest bone in birds that helps them fly?