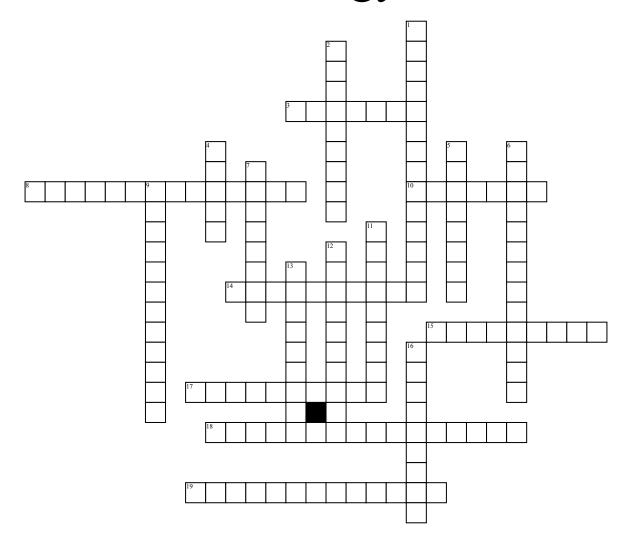
## **Ecology**



## Across

- **3.** the place where an organism lives that provides the types of food, shelter, moisture, temperature etc. needed for survival
- **8.** nonliving, physical features of the environment, including air, water, sunlight, soil, temperature and climate
- **10.** a model/diagram showing the complex feeding relationships among organisms in a community -show multiples food chains
- 14. organisms that benefit an ecosystem by returning nutrients to the soil and by breaking down dead organisms (nature's recyclers)
- **15.** a symbiotic relationship in which both organisms benefit
- 17. a symbiotic relationship in which one organism is helped/benefits and the other organism is hurt/harmed.

- **18.** the largest number of individuals of a particular species (a population) that an ecosystem can support
- 19. features of the environment that are alive or were once alive-plants, animals, bacteria, fungi

## Down

- 1. anything that can restrict the size of a population, including the living (biotic) and nonliving (abiotic) features of an ecosystem, such as predators or drought
- 2. any close relationship between 2 different species of organisms in which at least one of the organisms benefits from the relationship
- **4.** an organism's particular role (job) in an ecosystem, or how it meets its needs for survival—obtains its food and shelter, and avoids danger
- **5.** organism that can make its own food (autotroph)

- **6.** a model that shows the amount of energy available at each feeding level in an ecosystem **7.** organism that cannot make its own food (heterotroph)
- **9.** a symbiotic relationship in which one organism benefits and the other organism is not affected (not helped or harmed)
- 11. all the living organisms that live in an area and the nonliving features of their environment
- **12.** all the organisms that belong to the same species living in a community/ecosystem
- 13. all the populations of the different species that live together in an ecosystem
- **16.** the part of the Earth that supports life, including the top portion of the Earth's crust, all of the water that cover the Earth's surface, and the surrounding atmosphere