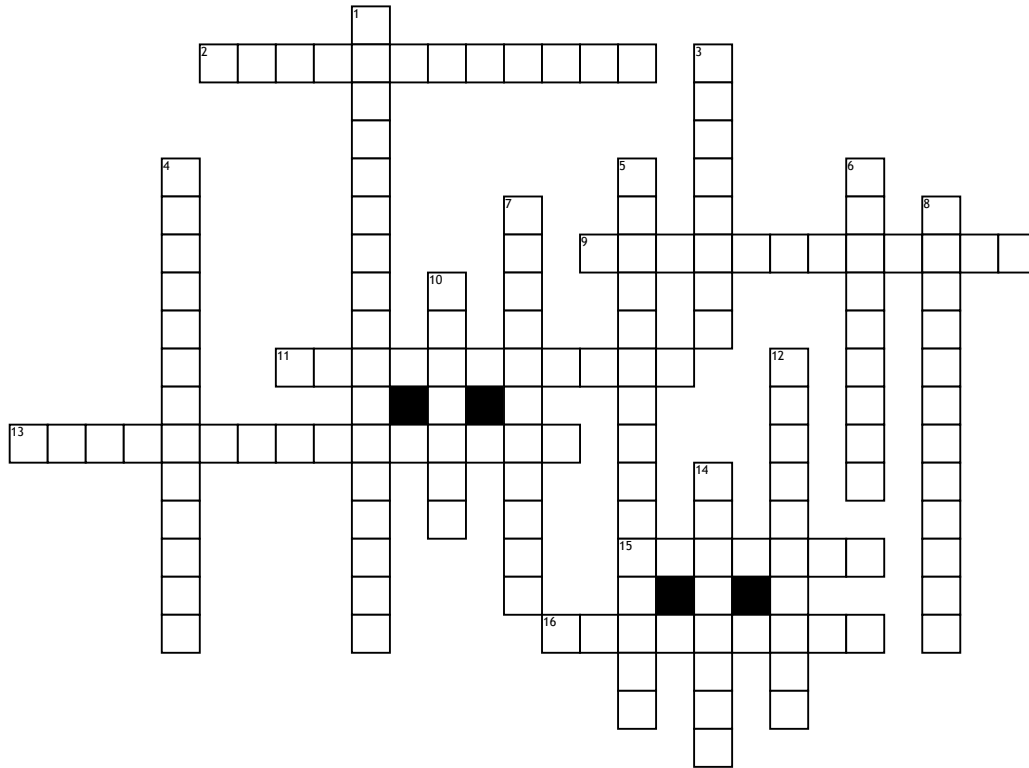


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# Ecology Crossword



## Across

2. An organism that can survive in extreme environments.  
9. Where particular organisms are found within an environment.  
11. Microorganisms that break down waste.  
13. Each species depends on others for things such as, food, shelter, seed dispersal.  
15. Openings in the leaves of plants that allow gases into and out of the leaf.  
16. A group of interdependent living organisms in an ecosystem.

## Down

1. Animals that eat primary consumers.  
3. Mineral ions needed by plants to form proteins.  
4. The loss of water vapour from the leaves of plants.  
5. Animals that eat producers  
6. A measure of how common or rare a particular organism is in a certain area.  
7. How carbon moves through an ecosystem, through abiotic and biotic factors.

8. A measure of the variety of all the different species on earth or in an ecosystem.  
10. There is a limited amount of resources, so animals \_\_\_\_\_ for things like food or shelter.  
12. Special features that make an organism particularly well suited to its environment.  
14. Organisms such as plants and algae that make their own food by photosynthesis.

## Word Bank

Producer  
Extremophile  
Transpiration  
Nitrates

Community  
Distribution  
Interdependence  
Secondary Consumer

Primary Consumer  
Abundance  
Biodiversity  
Adaptation

Decomposers  
Carbon Cycle  
Compete  
Stomata