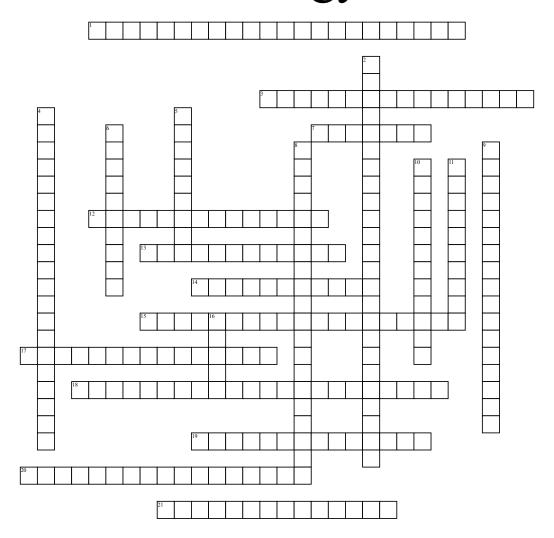
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Ecology



Across

- 1. two species competing for the same limiting resource
- 3. number of a species that an environment can sustain, considering the limiting factors at play
- 7. the natural home or environment of an animal, plant, or other organism.
- 12. o any of the factors (variables) in an environment capable of limiting a process, such as growth, abundance, or distribution of a population of organisms in an ecosystem.
- 13. an association between two organisms in which one benefits and the other derives neither benefit nor harm.
- 14. The act of leaving a habitat or place with the intent of moving to a different habitat or place

- 15. process started by an event
- 17. a species on which other species in an ecosystem largely depend
- 18. like food, shelter, or other limited resources.
- 19. growth rate decreases as the population reaches carrying capacity.
- 20. the orderly and predictable series of events
- 21. first to colonize an ecosystem previously disturbed or damaged.

Down

- 2. any influences on a population 's birth or death rates
- 4. interacting group of various species in a desert, forest, grassland, marine environment
- 5. ecological interaction between two or more species

- 6. the practice of living as a parasite in or on another organism.
- 8. process that describes how the structure of a biological community
- 9. growth whose rate becomes ever more rapid in proportion to the growing total number or size.
- 10. the variety of life in the world or in a particular habitat or ecosystem.
- 11. leaving of a place of residence or habitat with the intent of living in another place.
- **16.** functional role that it plays within an ecosystem.

Word Bank

Logistic Growth Ecological succession immigration **Ecological Succession** Mutualism Carrying capacity Niche Parasitism Limiting factor Habitat Density independent factor

Keystone Species Pioneer Species Exponential growth competitive Ex. Principle Emigration

Commensalism density Dependent Factor Primary succession Secondary succession **Biodiversity**