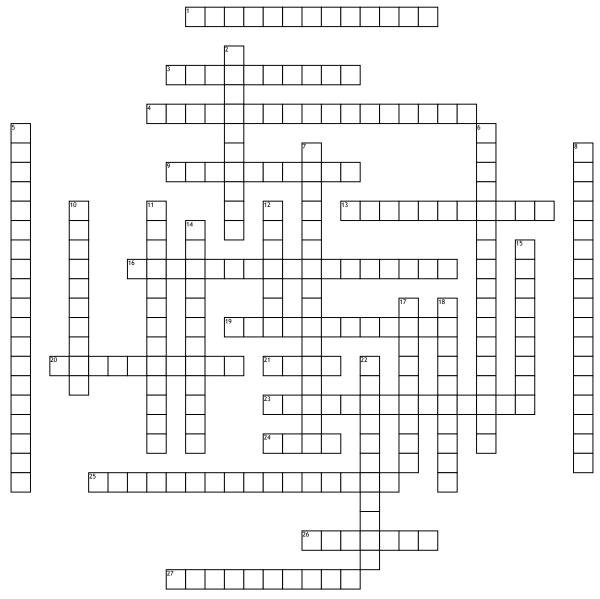
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Evolution by Natural Selection



Across

- 1. scientist who developed the theory of evolution
- **3.** a caterpillar blending into its environment is an example of this type of adaptation
- **4.** breeding of organisms for desired characteristics
- **9.** a type of structural adaptation that enables a species to blend
- **13.** type of rock where most fossils are found
- **16.** determining the age of rock using radioactive decay
- 19. all the fossils ever recorded
- **20.** a person who studies plants and animals by observing them
- 21. the impression of an organism in a rock

- 23. when a fossil forms from minerals in the water that replace the organism's original material
- 24. fossil copy of an organism in a rock
- **25.** the process by which populations of organisms with variations that help them survive live longer, compete better, and reproduce more
- **26.** the resemblance of one species to another species
- **27.** when the last individual organism of a species dies

Down

- 2. blood vessels in a jackrabbit's ears expanding to enable the blood to cool before re-entering the body is an example this type of adaptation
- **5.** the change over time in populations of related organisms
- **6.** determining the age of a fossil or rock based on nearby rocks and layers

- **7.** place where Darwin found most of his evidence for the Theory of Evolution
- **8.** a chart that divides Earth's history into different time units
- **10.** Moving in herds is an example of this adaptation
- **11.** fossils formed when a dead organism is compressed over time
- 12. type of rock used in absolute age dating
- **14.** the study of chemical processes in living organisms
- **15.** a slight difference in an inherited trait of individual members of a species
- 17. organism studied by Darwin
- **18.** an inherited trait that increases an organism's chance of surviving and reproducing
- **22.** preserved evidence of the activity of an organism