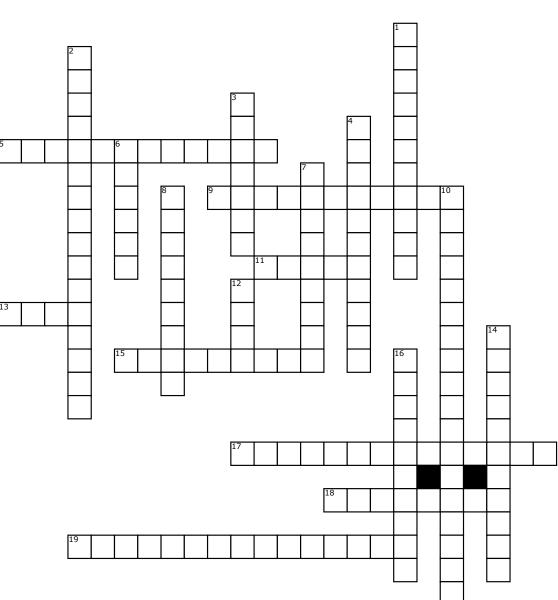
## Science



## **Across**

5. A gap in the geologic record that shows where rock layers have been lost due to erosion.

9. Fossils of widely distributed organisms that lived during a geologically short period.

A break in earths surface.

13. A type of fossil that is a hollow area in sediment in the shape of an organism.

15. Change over time.

17. A scientist who studies fossils to learn about organisms that lived long ago.

18. The time it takes for half of the atoms of radioactive elements to decay.

**19.** A fossil in which minerals replace all or part of an organism. Down

**1.** A type of fossil that provides evidence of the activities of an ancient organism.

2. The process in which the nuclei of radioactive elements break down releasing fast moving particles and energy.

3. A group of organisms that has died out and has no other members of there species alive.

**4.** The age of a rock given as the number of years since the rock formed.

6. The preserved remains or traces of an organism that lived in the past. **7.** An igneous rock layer formed when lava flows onto earth's surface and hardens.

8. An igneous rock layer formed when magma hardens beneath earths surface.

**10.** The geologic principal that states that in horizontal layers of sedimentary rock. Each layer is older than the layer above it and younger than the layer below it.

**12.** A fossil that is a solid copy of an organism's shape formed when minerals seep into a mold.

14. The age of a rock compared to the ages of other rocks.

16. A type of fossil consisting of an extremely thin coating of carbon on rock.