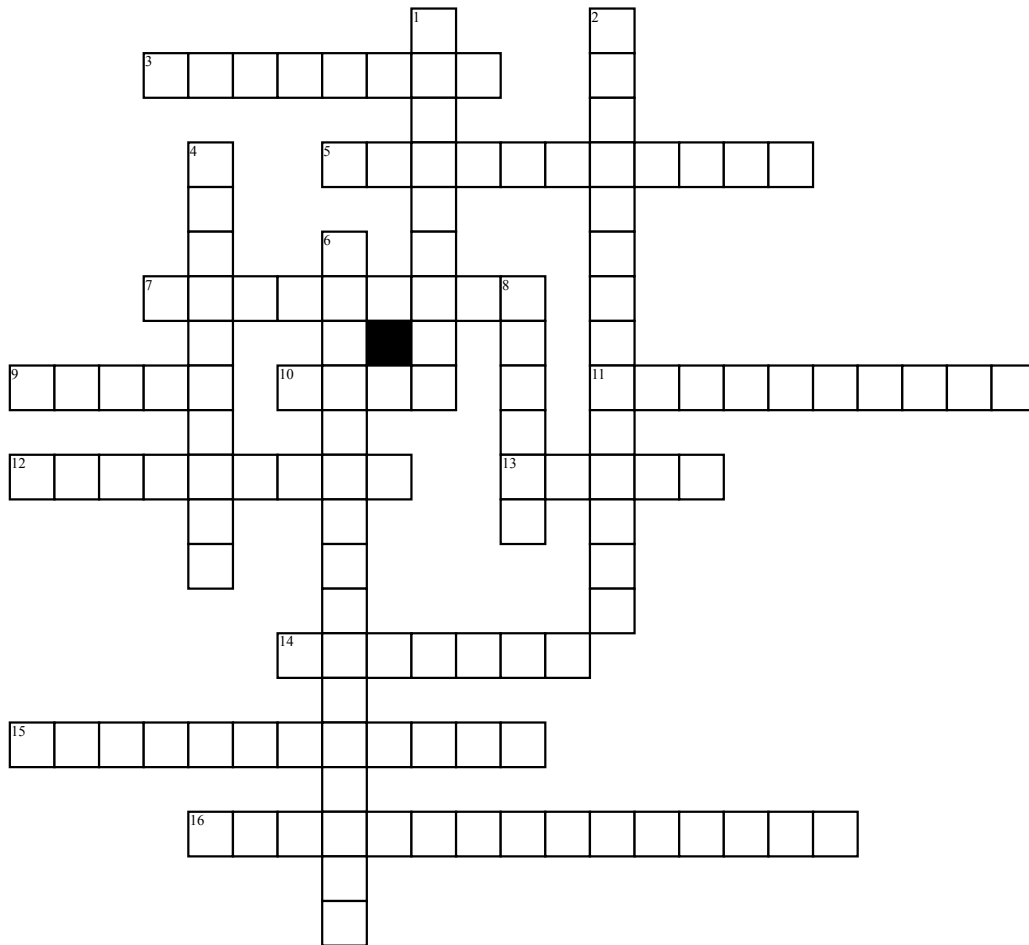


# Ecology Crossword Puzzle



**Across**

- 3. An animal that naturally preys on others
- 5. A group of interdependent organisms of different species growing or living together in a specified habitat
- 7. Symbiosis that is beneficial to both organisms involved
- 9. The sometimes swampy coniferous forest of high northern latitudes
- 10. An animal that is hunted and killed by another for food
- 11. The second largest aquatic biome

- 12. Interaction between two different organisms living in close physical association, typically to the advantage of both
- 13. A position or role taken by a kind of organism within its community
- 14. The natural home or environment of an animal, plant, or other organism
- 15. A type of relationship where one organism lives off another without any harm
- 16. A type of forest characterized by trees that seasonally shed their leaves

**Down**

- 1. A group of interdependent organisms of different species growing or living together in a specified habitat
- 2. The environmental factor that is of predominant importance in restricting the size of a population
- 4. A particular section, group, or type of people or animals living in an area or country
- 6. The number of people, other living organisms, or crops that a region can support without environmental degradation
- 8. An aquatic biome that covers 71% of the Earth

**Word Bank**

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| Prey            | Competition      | LimitingFactor | Community    |
| Taiga           | CarryingCapacity | Freshwater     | Predator     |
| DeciduousForest | Niche            | Mutualism      | Marine       |
| Symbiosis       | Habitat          | Population     | Commensalism |