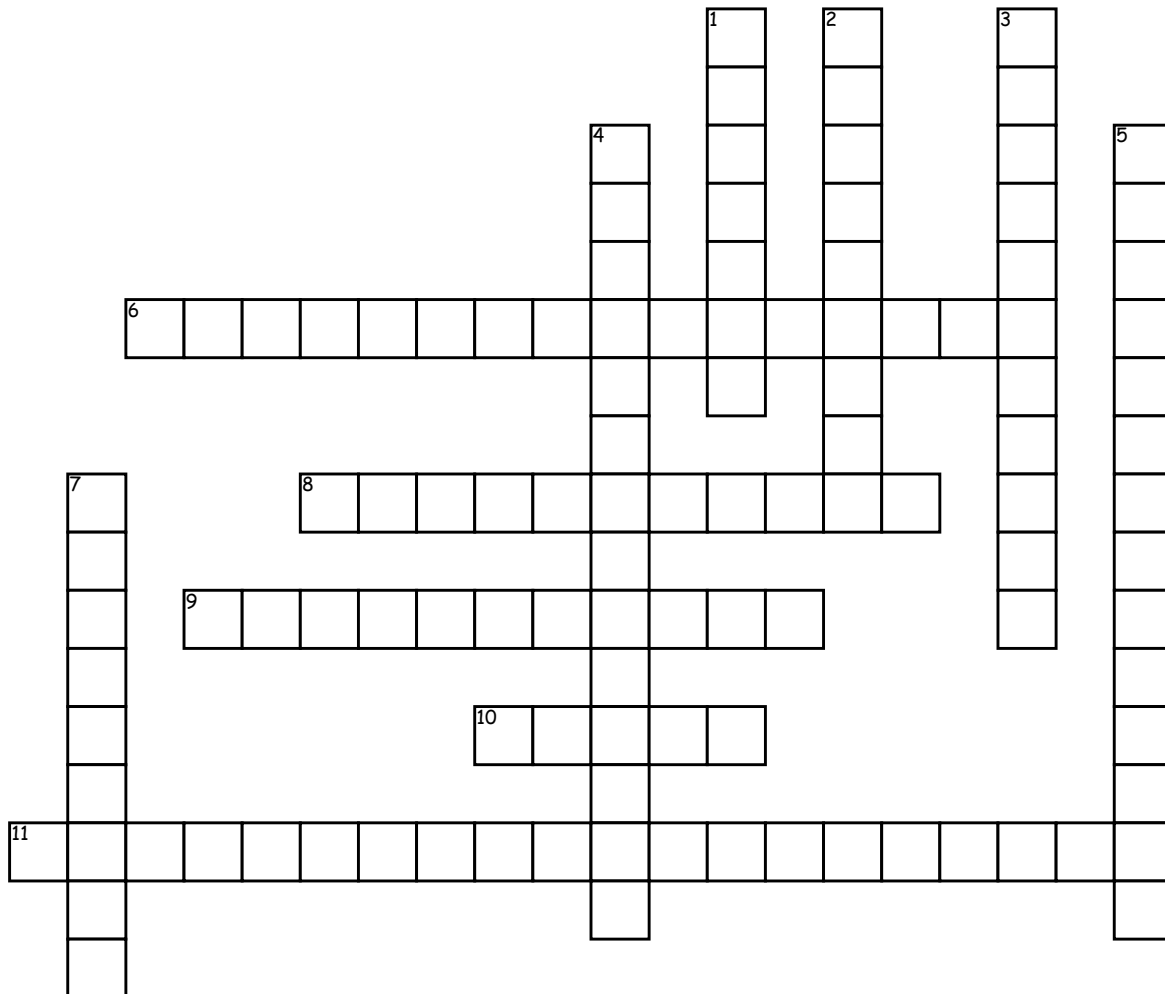


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evolution vocab



Across

6. a natural process resulting in the evolution of organisms' best adapted to the environment
8. Grouping together items that are alike in some way.
9. A body part, body covering, or behavior that helps an animal survive in its environment.
10. A taxonomic classification that generally consists of a group of species exhibiting similar characteristics.
11. The scientific system of naming an organism using two terms, the first being the genus and the second the species.

Down

1. A group of similar organisms whose members can mate with one another and produce fertile offspring.
2. is a process that results in changes in the genetic material of a population over time
3. the condition or period of an animal or plant spending the winter in a dormant state
4. The name of an organism used by scientists, consisting of a genus and species. Example: *Canis familiaris* is a dog.
5. Dichotomous key A tool for the identification of organisms based on a series of choices based on distinguishing characteristics.
7. seasonal movement of a complete population of animals from one area to another.