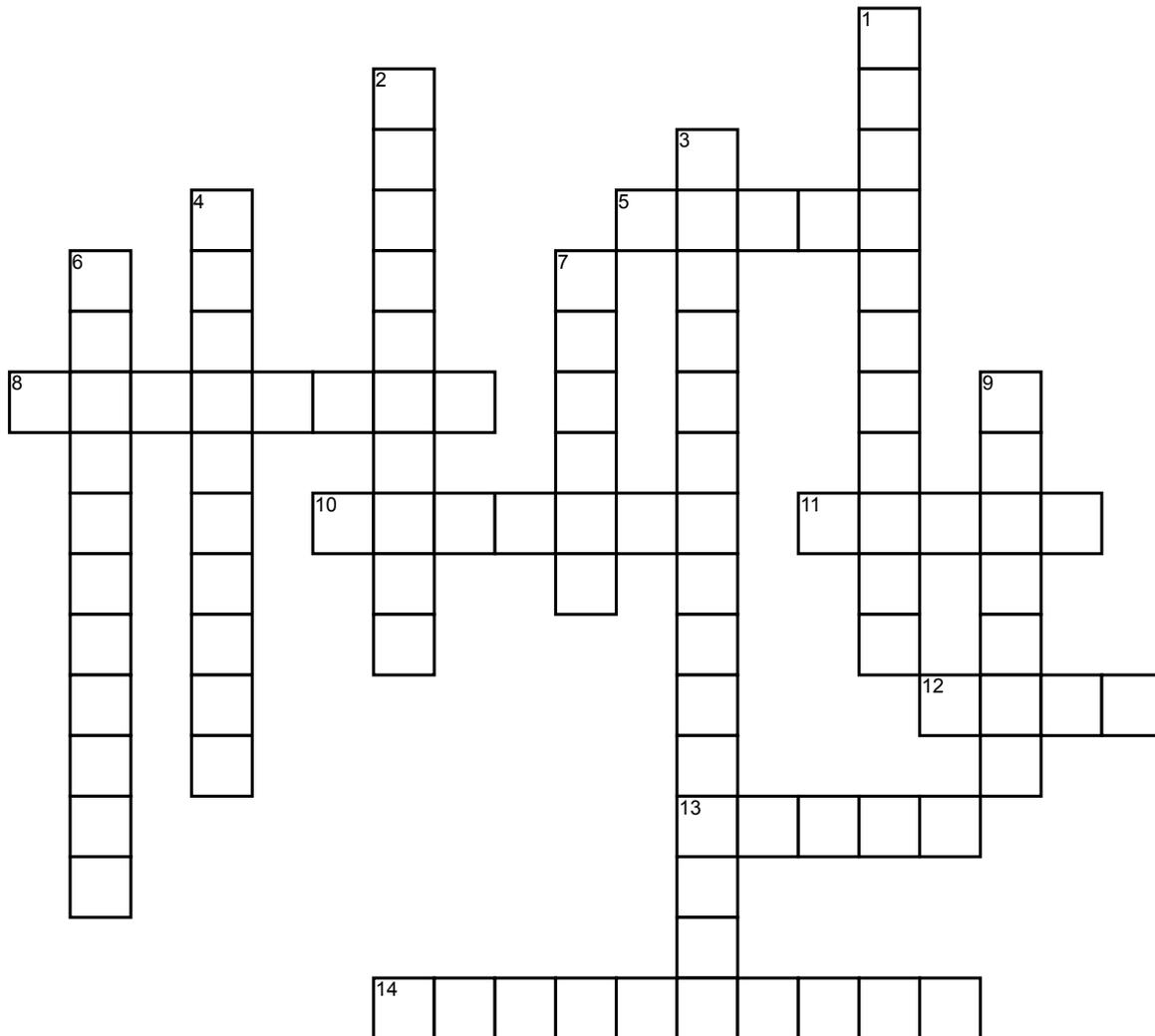


# rats and mice



## Across

- 5.** an open multilevel habitat without walls for mice  
**8.** an animal that appears healthy but carries disease-causing organisms that can infect other animals  
**10.** small, gnawing animals  
**11.** a type of rat that is white with a darker color around the head, ears, and neck  
**12.** colony structure

- 13.** the word "mouse" comes from an old Sandskirt word meaning \_\_\_\_\_  
**14.** litters should be weaned and separated at four weeks to prevent \_\_\_\_\_ and unwanted litters

## Down

- 1.** being submissive to  
**2.** associates in groups with others of their own kind  
**3.** living in groups

- 4.** breeding closely related animals  
**6.** disease that killed more than one-fourth of the population during the 1300's  
**7.** an animal that lacks color pigmentation  
**9.** mice with spots, patches, and broken patterns