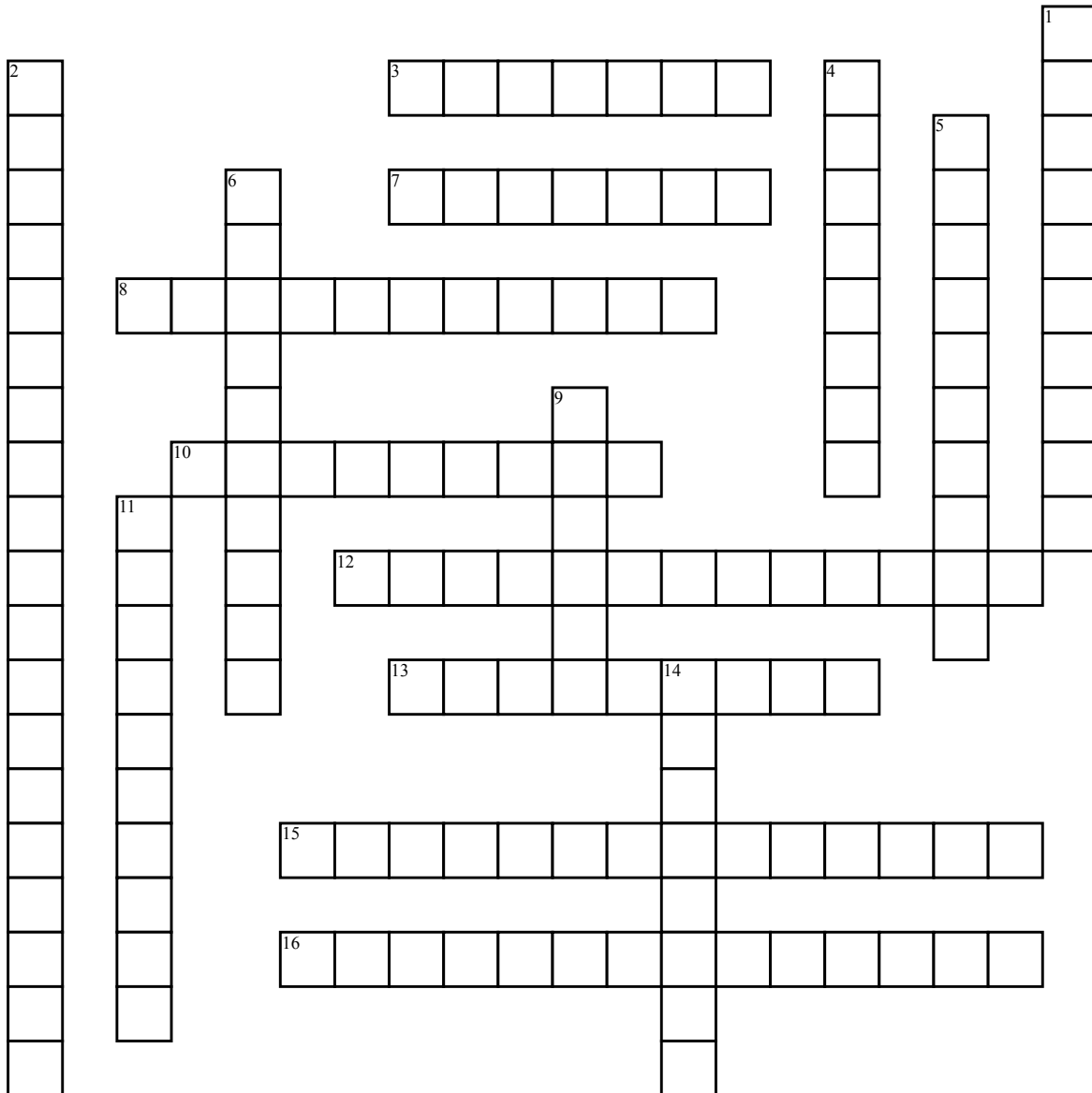


Biology



Across

- 3.** a group of living organisms consisting of similar individuals capable of exchanging genes or interbreeding
7. an organism's ability to survive and reproduce
8. the influence of closely associated species on each other in their evolution
10. a different or distinct form of something
12. the theory that changes in the earth's crust during geological history have resulted chiefly from sudden violent and unusual events

13. gradual development

- 15.** major evolutionary change over a long period
16. evolutionary change within a species or small group of organisms, especially over a short period

Down

- 1.** all the inhabitants of a particular town, area, or country
2. a structure in an organism that has lost all or most of its original function in the course of evolution
4. is the transfer of alleles or genes from one population to another

- 5.** evolution proceeds chiefly by the accumulation of small changes
6. the formation of new and distinct species in the course of evolution
9. the remains or impression of a prehistoric organism preserved in petrified form or as a mold or cast in rock
11. the state or process of a species, family, or larger group dying out
14. the branch of science concerned with classification, especially of organisms; systematics