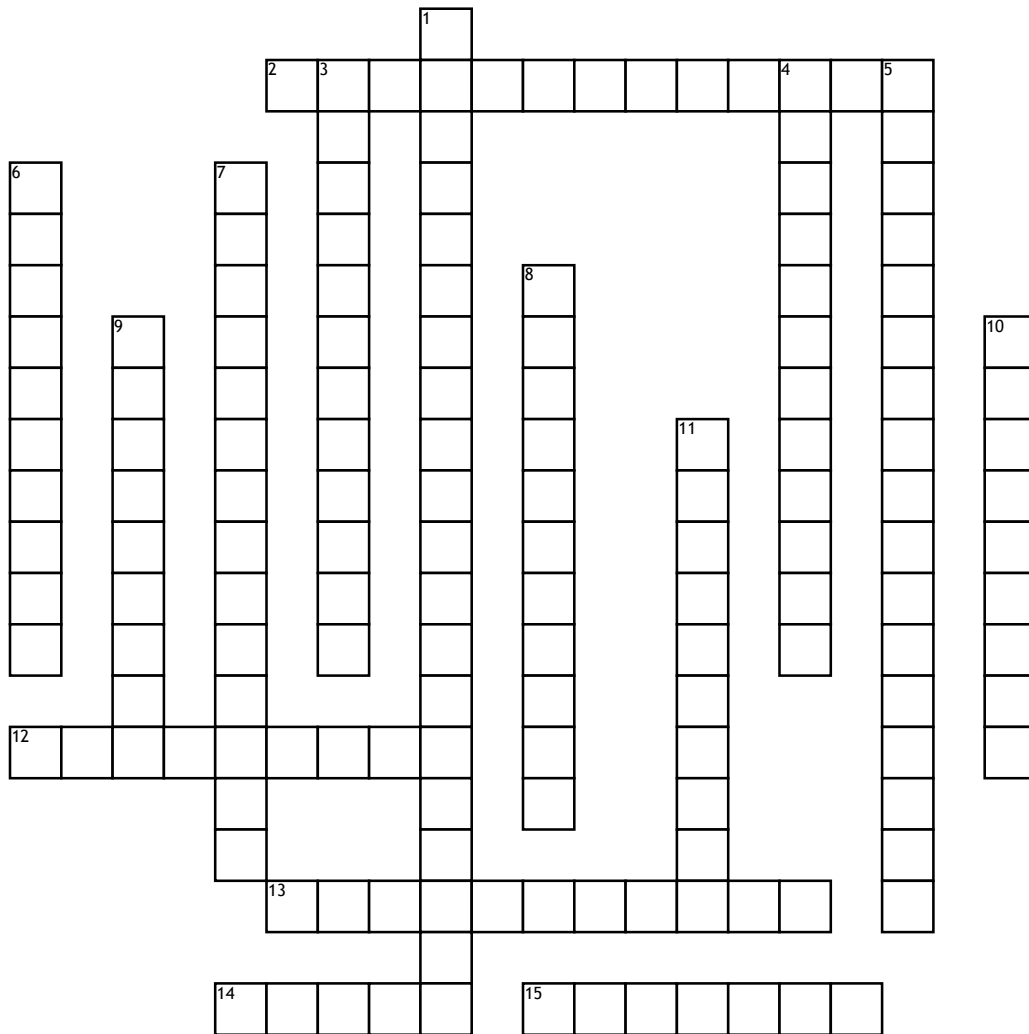


Ecology Vocabulary Crossword



Across

- 2. Physical, or nonliving, factor that shapes an ecosystem.
- 12. Relationship in which two species live closely together.
- 13. Collection of Earth's water bodies, ice and water vapor.
- 14. Group of ecosystems that have the same climate and dominant communities.
- 15. Total dry mass of all organisms in a given area.

Down

- 1. Resource that cannot be replenished by natural processes.
- 3. Biological influence on organisms within an ecosystem.
- 4. Step in a food chain or web.
- 5. Resource that can regenerate quickly and that is replaceable.
- 6. Ecological relationship in which one organism benefits by harming another organism.
- 7. Organism that is the first to live in a previously uninhabited area.

- 8. Ecological relationship in which two organisms attempt to obtain the same resource.
- 9. Symbiotic relationship in which both species benefit from the relationship.
- 10. Collection of all of the different populations that live in one area.
- 11. Air blanketing Earth's solid surface.

Word Bank

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| parasitism | trophic level | atmosphere |
| mutualism | nonrenewable resource | abiotic factor |
| community | renewable resource | symbiosis |
| biomass | hydrosphere | biotic factor |
| pioneer species | biome | competition |