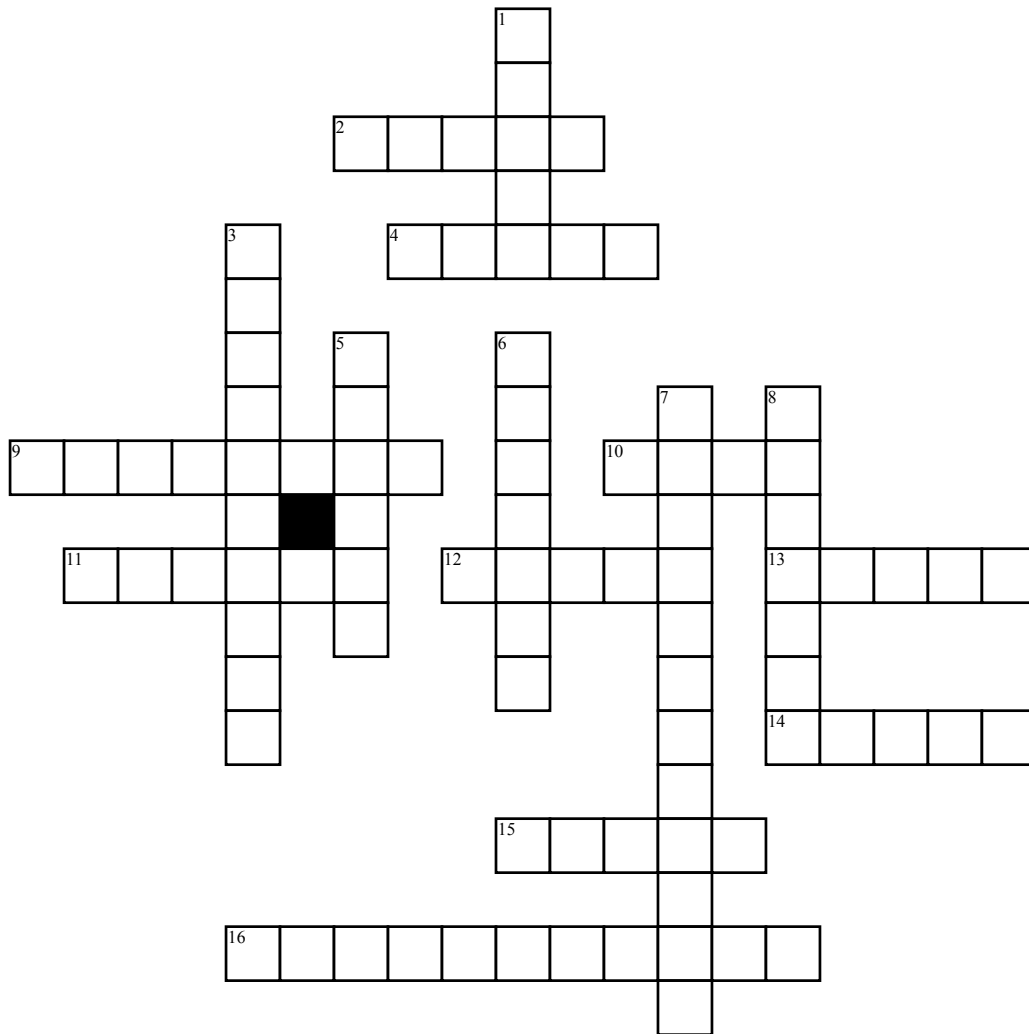


# Pythons and Rattlesnakes Crossword Puzzle



## Across

2. A poisonous fluid that is released from the rattlesnake's fangs when it strikes to kill its prey.  
 4. Pythons don't need \_\_\_\_\_ to catch their prey since they are so large.  
 9. Since pythons are excellent \_\_\_\_\_, they can stay under water for up to thirty minutes before coming up for air.  
 10. When threatened, rattlesnakes usually \_\_\_\_\_ and rattle to warn aggressors.  
 11. Rattlesnakes are best known for and most easily recognized by their \_\_\_\_\_.

12. When a rattlesnake strikes, venom flows throughout its hollow \_\_\_\_\_.  
 13. These pump venom from sacs to the rattlesnake's fangs.  
 14. Most rattlesnakes live in open, \_\_\_\_\_ areas.  
 15. A python can have as many as one-hundred fifty of these in its mouth to help guide its prey down the throat.  
 16. Pythons are in a species of snakes that are called \_\_\_\_\_.

## Down

1. Pythons can swallow their prey \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Pythons can travel 1.6 \_\_\_\_\_ per hour on open ground.  
 5. Pythons have what kind of teeth?  
 6. Rattlesnakes can enter small openings in the ground created by other \_\_\_\_\_ and find them and eat them.  
 7. What a python does to kill their prey.  
 8. Since rattlesnakes don't have arms, legs, or ears, they can quietly \_\_\_\_\_ through grass and rocks without making a sound.

## Word Bank

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| Whole        | Animals      | Swimmers | Coil    |
| Kilometers   | Constriction | Speed    | Rocky   |
| Non-venomous | Fangs        | Rattle   | Teeth   |
| Venom        | Tubes        | Curved   | Slither |