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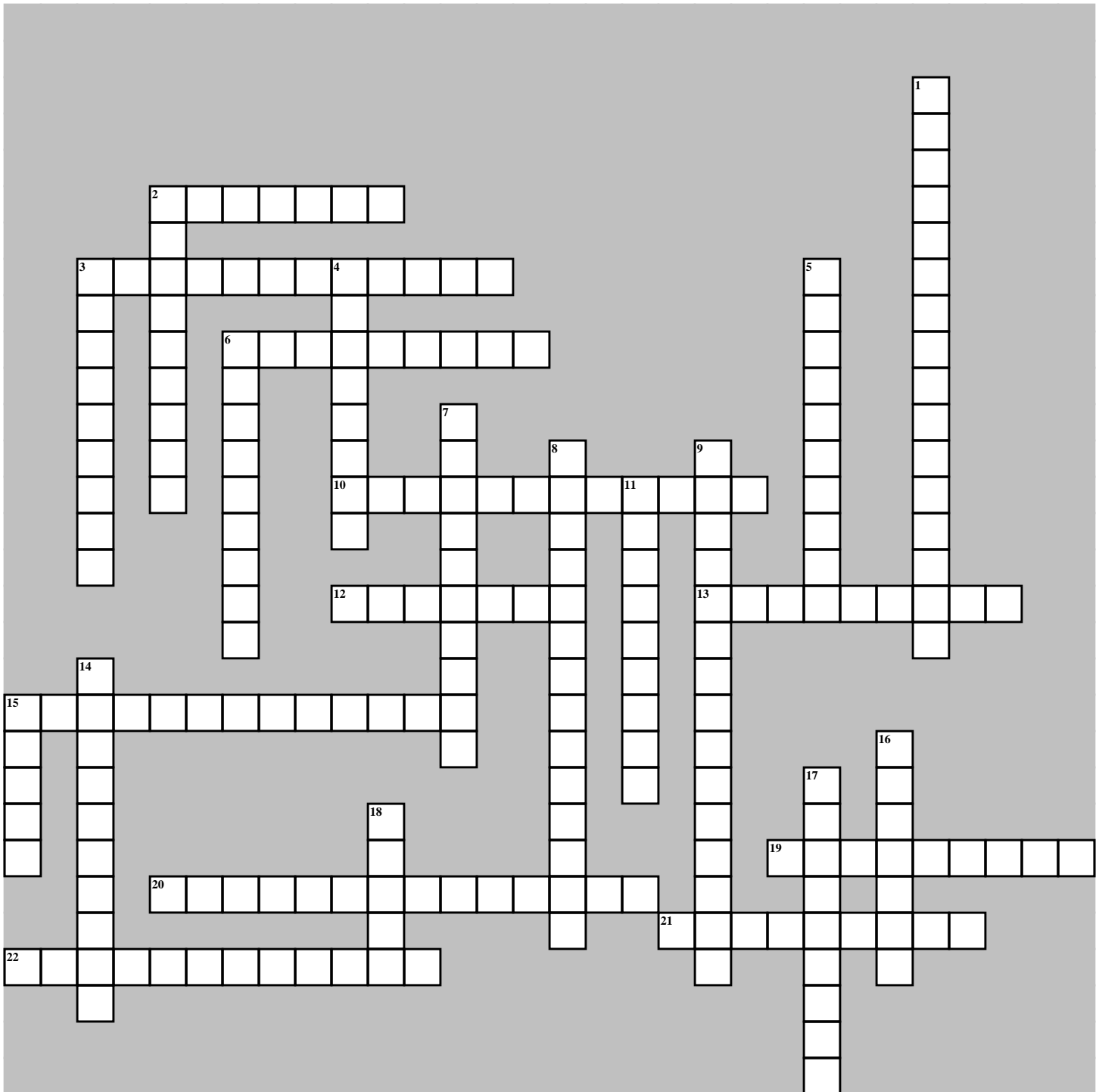
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Ecosystems

Complete the crossword puzzle.



Across

- 2 a group of animals or plants that are similar and that are able to reproduce
- 3 A relationship when one organism benefits while the other organism is unaffected
- 6 The number of individuals of a species that die in one year.
- 10 An animal that feeds chiefly on decaying matter
- 12 any place where organisms live, grow, and interact.
- 13 the combination of all the biotic and abiotic factors in an environment
- 15 the living parts of an ecosystem (2 words)
- 19 The way in which food energy is passed among organisms. (2 words)
- 20 Nonliving parts of an organisms environment. (2 words)
- 21 A organism that feeds on other living things.
- 22 a step in the transfer of energy through an ecosystem (2 words)

- 17 ORGANISMS THAT PRODUCE THEIR OWN FOOD THROUGH PHOTOSYNTHESIS
- 18 Conditions in which an organism lives and the way an organism uses those conditions

Down

- 1 The maximum number of individuals that an ecosystem can support. (2 words)
- 2 A close relationship between species that benefits at least one of the species.
- 3 ALL THE POPULATIONS OF ORGANISMS LIVING TOGETHER IN AN ENVIRONMENT
- 4 Elevation above sea level or above the earth's surface.
- 5 organisms that eat dead plants and animals
- 6 A relationship between two species in which both species benefit.
- 7 the relationship where one species benefits and the other species is harmed
- 8 anything that restricts the number of individuals in a population (2 words)
- 9 region of the Earth between the tropics and the polar regions (2 words)
- 11 consumers that eat both plants and animals
- 14 INDIVIDUALS OF THE SAME KIND LIVING IN THE SAME ENVIRONMENT
- 15 a large group of similar ecosystems
- 16 a network of interrelated food chains. (2 words)