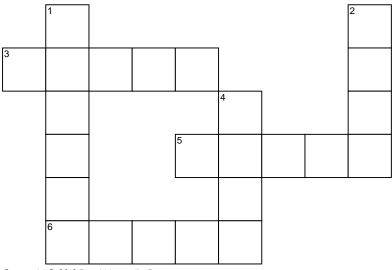
A Shadow

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- **3** A shadow is a dark __ _ _ _ _ . **5** The shade is __ _ _ when the sun is high. 6 The __ _ _ of a tree is really
- the tree's shadow.

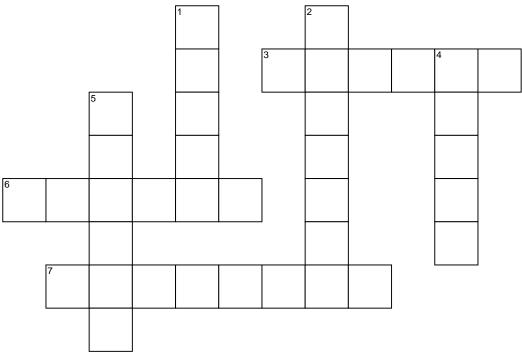
DOWN

- 1 The sun ____ on the tree.
- 2 Now ___ __ off the light.
- **4** Put a __ _ in front of the light.

WORD BANK: shade, shape, shines, shoe, short, shut

What Is a Glacier?

Level 1.8, Story 2



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3 The _____ snow grows into big piles of snow.
6 The glacier flows slowly down mountain ____.
7 Some of the snow turns into ____ ice.

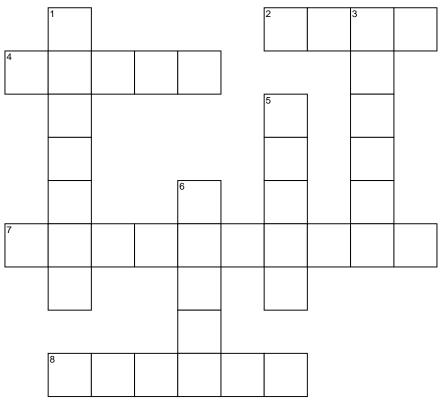
DOWN

- 1 Some ice starts to ____ over the rest of the ice.
- 2 This moving ice and snow is a
- 4 Pieces of the glacier break off and __ _ in the sea.
- 5 It flows so _____ you cannot see it move.

WORD BANK: float, fluffy, glacier, slide, slippery, slopes, slowly

Seashells

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2 Their shells protect them from ____ and crabs.
4 Set them on a ____ and show them to your friends.
7 Wash them with a ____ and water.
8 Seashells can be many

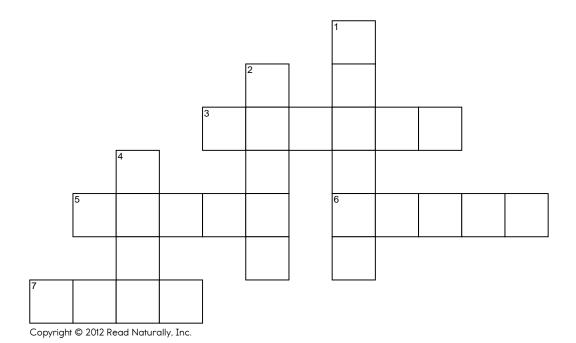
DOWN

1 Look in the sand and
_____ water.
3 They make their _____ bigger as they grow.
5 Walk on the _____.
6 They can be flat or have ____ points.

WORD BANK: fish, shallow, shapes, sharp, shelf, shells, shore, toothbrush

The Blimp

Level 1.8, Story 4



ACROSS	
3 It is not a plana	hv

- 3 It is not a plane ____ by.5 This gas helps the blimp
- 6 A ____ is an airship.
- 7 People __ _ _ blimps to see if the enemy was close.

DOWN

- 1 To steer, the pilot ___ _ _ _ _ _ into a place under the air bag.
- 2 The large air bag is made of
- **4** What is floating in the __ _ _ _ sky?

WORD BANK: blimp, blue, climbs, cloth, flew, float, flying

The Thumb

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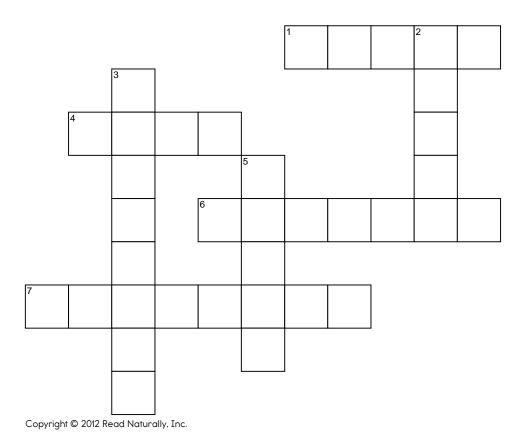
ACROSS	DOWN
4 Thumbs grip tightly.	1 Think of some things the thumb and
5 They pick things up.	fingers do
6 Animals can't pull	2 Thank goodness we have
out of their paws.	·
7 The thumb is and	3 They can't pick thistles out of

WORD BANK: their, thicker, thin, things, thorns, thumbs, together

shorter than the rest of the fingers.

Snowstorms and Blizzards

Level 1.8, Story 6



ACROSS	
1 Snow piles	the roads
4 Power lines	_down.
6 They must wear warm	

7 People should plan for a

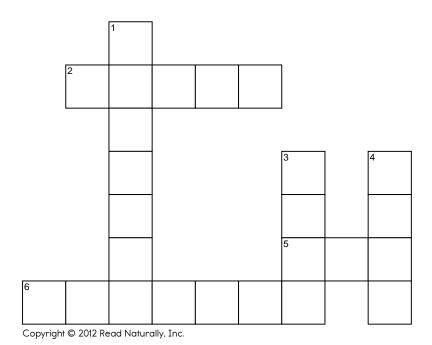
DOWN

2	Sometimes the roads
3	Snow are
	lightly falling snow.
5	Snowflakes slowly
	from the sky

WORD BANK: blizzard, block, blow, close, clothes, float, flurries

Thunder and Lightning

Level 1.8, Story 7



ACROSS

2 Dark, ____ clouds are made of drops of water and ice.
5 Sometimes ___ charges make a giant spark.
6 Then lightning shoots ___ the clouds.

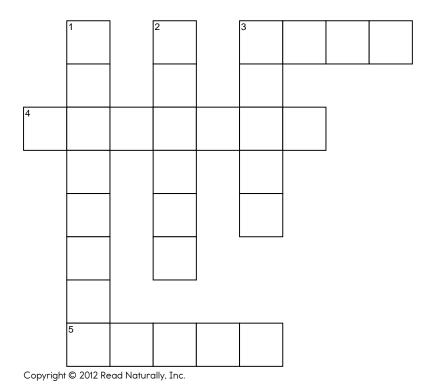
DOWN

This rush of air makes the loud sound of ______.
 The sky is filled _____ clouds.
 The water and ice have electric charges in ______.

WORD BANK: the, them, thick, through, thunder, with

Louis Braille

Level 1.8, Story 8



ACROSS

4 He _____ a way to read by touching dots pressed into paper.

3 Libraries of braille books began to

5 His __ _ _ was to read easily.

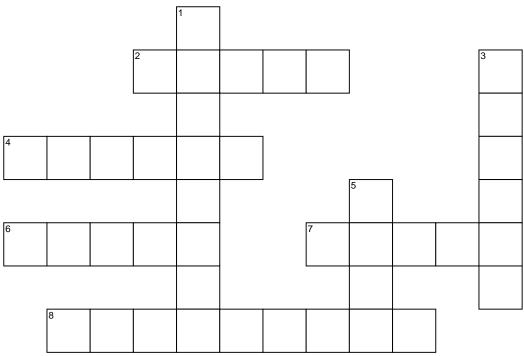
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1 He cried and ______.
2 He went to a school for the blind and got good _____ there.
3 Louis did something _____.

WORD BANK: created, dream, grades, great, grow, screamed

White Whales

Level 1.8, Story 9



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under water.

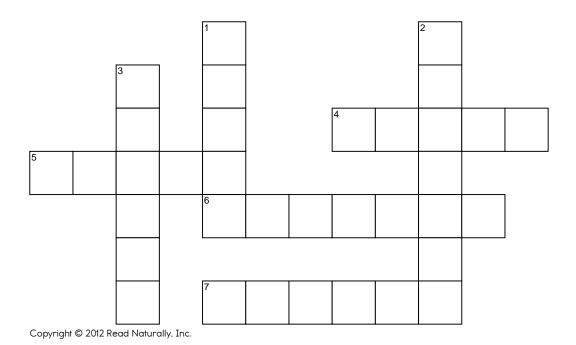
2 Their tails _____ when they hit the water.
4 They ____ when they jump.
6 The word beluga means ____.
7 White whales live ____ the water is cold.
8 You can hear them

DOWN

WORD BANK: whack, whales, when, where, whiskers, whistling, white, whoosh

Trolleys

Level 1.8, Story 10



ACROSS

4 The driver puts on the ______.
5 A trolley looks like a ______ with one car.
6 A ______ has many windows.

7 A pole ___ _ _ the power to the trolley.

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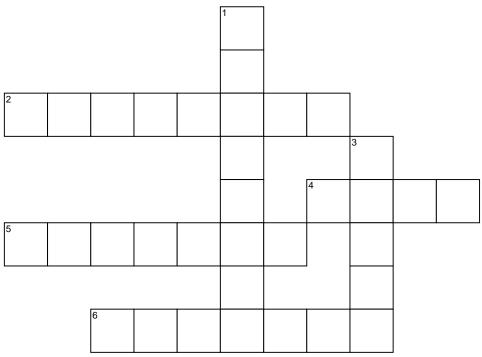
1 It has a bright light on the

_____.
2 The trolley _____ down the street.
3 A trolley moves on _____ on the ground.

WORD BANK: brake, brings, front, tracks, train, travels, trolley

What Animal Am I?

Level 1.8, Story 11



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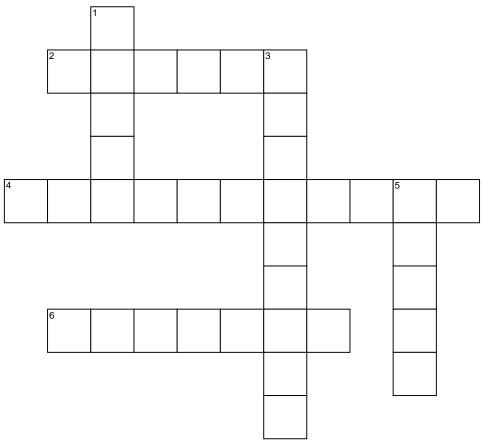
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ACROSS		DOWN	
2 I am a	crane.	1 I have	that
4 I bark	I am excited.	help me feel wher	e I should walk.
5 I	when I want	3 I am a	whale.
to go outside	e.		
6 I	while I blow		
air out of the	e top of my head.		

WORD BANK: when, whimper, whiskers, whistle, white, whooping

Brass Instruments

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ACROSS

- 2 Their music brings __ _ _ _ _ _sounds to the parade.4 We hear the brass
- playing.

 6 Press your lips together, and
 _____ to hold

a toothpick between them.

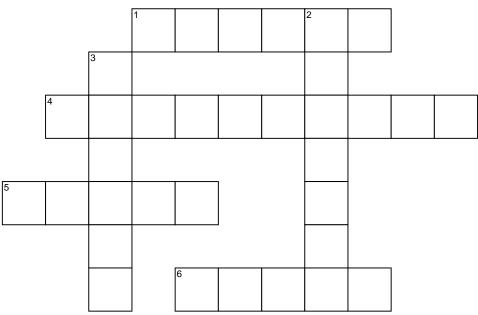
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- 1 Trombones and trumpets are ___ instruments.
- 3 We see the ______ first.
- 5 There is a ____ to playing them.

WORD BANK: brass, bright, instruments, pretend, trick, trombones

Eating in China

Level 1.8, Story 13



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1 Have you ever had a ______ to use chopsticks? 4 Most people in China eat their food with _______ 5 Sometimes Chinese people _____ on vegetables. 6 Rice is a ______ food of the Chinese people.

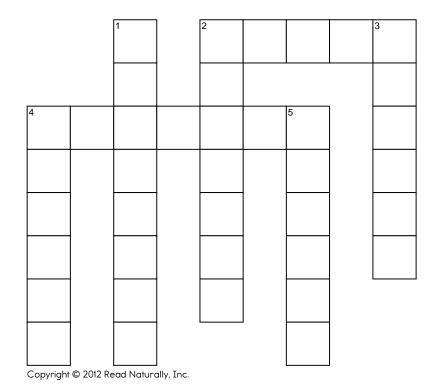
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2 Stir-fry is a common
______lunch.
3 To make a stir-fry, people chop
the food into ______.

WORD BANK: chance, chief, Chinese, chopsticks, chunks, munch

The Spitting Spider

Level 1.8, Story 14



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- 2 An insect __ _ _ near.
- **4** Some ____ hunt for their food.

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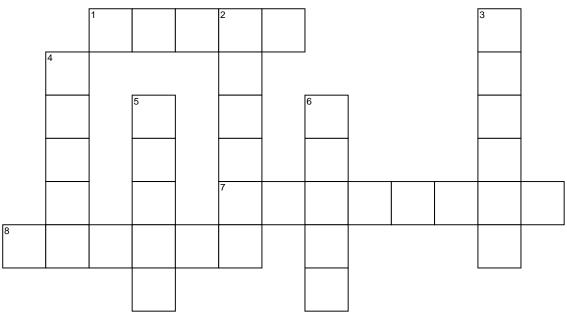
- 1 The ____ spider hides.
- 2 The spitting spider needs a
- _____ way to hunt.

 3 Its legs are not _____.
- **4** The spider walks __ _ _ _ to the insect.
- 5 The spider spits something

WORD BANK: slowly, special, spiders, spitting, steps, sticky, strong

Chimpanzees

Level 1.8, Story 15



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1 They make tools to _____ their food.
7 Chimpanzees are like _____.
8 They ____ as they grow.

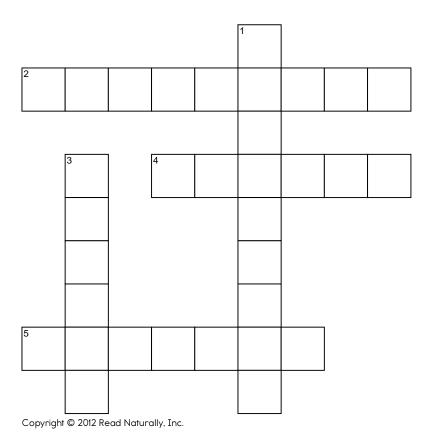
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2 They play whenever they get the ________.
3 Their faces get ________ and darker.
4 They _______ each other by playing together.
5 They like to ______ from branch to branch.
6 Their ______ foods are plants.

WORD BANK: chance, change, chief, children, longer, reach, swing, teach

Snake Skin

Level 1.8, Story 16



ACROSS	DOWN	
2 The snake	_ 1 It	_ its head
and slowly slides out of its old skin.	against a stone or a stick.	
4 The snake's skin has	3 The skin on its head	
·	open.	
5 The snake has bright spots and		

WORD BANK: scales, scratches, splits, stretches, stripes

The Wheel

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ACROSS		DOWN	
3 Wheels are		1 The made the cart eas	У
	·	to push.	
5 People	of other	2 People moved heavy	
ways to use t	he wheel.	on sleds.	
6 We	the wheel was	4 There was a time there	
invented abo	ut 5,000 years ago.	were no wheels.	

WORD BANK: everywhere, things, think, thought, wheel, when

Stringed Instruments

Level 1.8, Story 18

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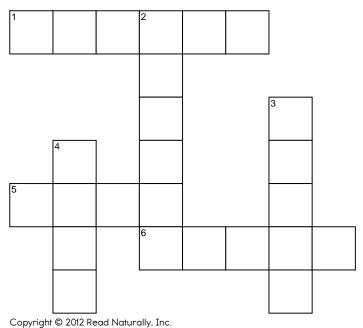
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2	Start to play your	1 Snapping the strings makes a different sound than	
5	Now the string	gs them.	
	across an empty box.	3 Stretch a string	g very
6	You can play your instrument by	tightly.	
	the strings.	4 Spread your hand across the	
7	You can play it by	·	
	the strings with a stick.		

WORD BANK: instrument, scratching, snapping, stretch, strings, strong, strumming

Shoebills

Level 1.8, Story 19



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ACROSS

- 1 Both parents take care of the eggs and the __ _ _ _ _ .
- 5 Sometimes they open and __ _ _ _ _ their bills very fast.
- **6** Its bill has __ _ _ edges.

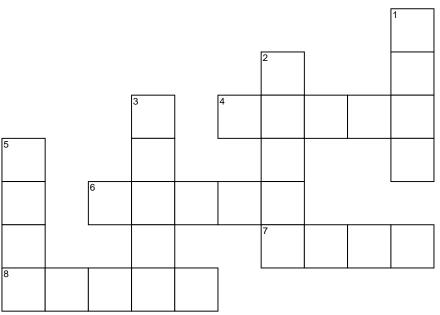
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- 2 Sometimes shoebills have to rest their bills on their __ _ _ _ _ _ _ .
- 3 Shoebills live __ _ _ there is fresh water.
- 4 They ___ _ the food first, then give it to their chicks.

WORD BANK: chests, chew, chicks, sharp, shut, where

The Wasp

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4 Paper ____ made paper from wood before people did.
6 Most wasps build ____.
7 Building a nest is a big ____.
8 A wasp might ____ your ice cream.

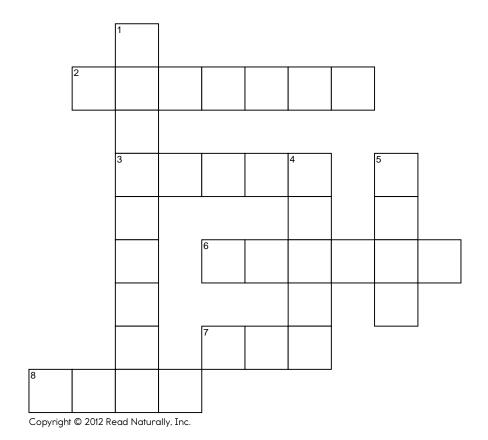
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- 1 A wasp might __ _ _ on your food.
- 2 A wasp has a thin __ _ _ _ _ .
- 3 A wasp is not the best ____ at a picnic.
- **5** A wasp is a real _____.

WORD BANK: guest, nests, pest, rest, task, taste, waist, wasps

Chocolate Chip Cookies

Level 1.8, Story 21



ACROSS

2 Ruth _____ a big piece of chocolate into small bits. 3 She put the ____ into her cookies. 6 Ruth ____ her new cookies with friends. 7 One day ____ was making butter cookies.

8 Maybe she thought __ _ _ _

would melt while the cookies baked.

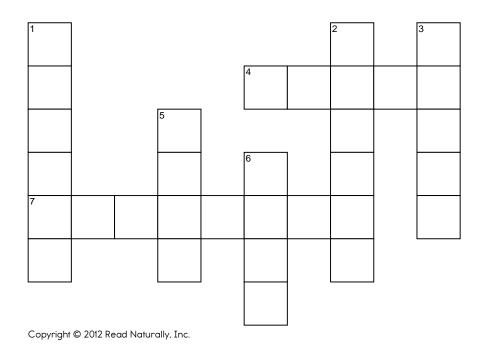
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1	Chances are you like	
		chip
	cookies.	
4	Each chip kept its	·
5	She showed	_ how to make
	the cookies.	

WORD BANK: chips, chocolate, chopped, shape, shared, she, them, they

The Skunk

Level 1.8, Story 22



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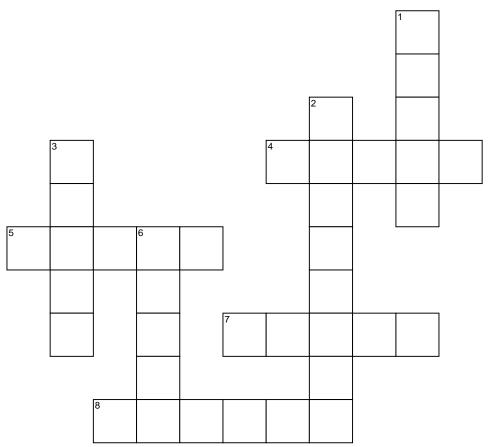
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It sends musk out of its
 First it ______ its feet on the ground.
 A skunk makes a ______ when it is scared.
 This skunk can _____ the musk 12 feet away.
 It lifts its _____ end off the ground.

WORD BANK: downwind, front, glands, hind, pounds, send, stink

The Great White Shark

Level 1.8, Story 23



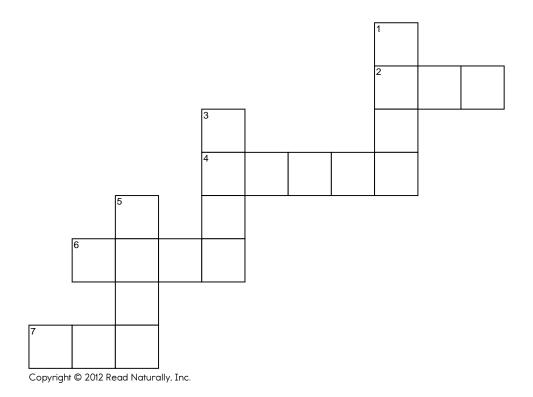
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ACROSS	DOWN
4 It has rows of te	eth. 1 This is a
5 The great white shark has a wide	e meat-eating fish.
·	2 One shark swam more than six
7 Some people wh	nen miles.
they see a great white shark.	3 This shape helps it
8 A great white shark is	through the water very fast.
like a missile	6 Each can be three
	inches long.

WORD BANK: mouth, shake, shaped, shark, sharp, shoot, thousand, tooth

Elk

Level 1.8, Story 24



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2 Wild elk can live to be 10 years

4 Some ___ _ elk can have 12 points on their antlers.

- **6** The antlers __ _ _ back.
- 7 Wolves hunt ___ __ .

DOWN

- 1 Elk __ _ when the weather turns mild.
- 3 Elk like to lick _____.
- 5 Young elk drink their mothers' _____.

WORD BANK: adult, elk, milk, molt, old, salt, tilt