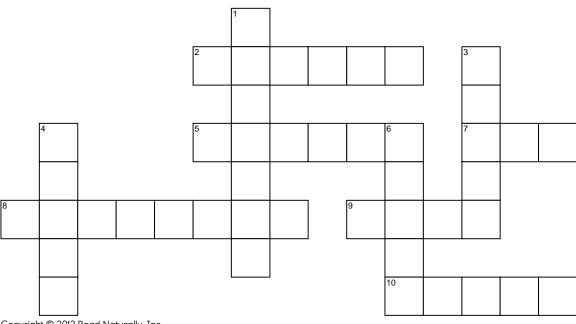
Ain't I a Woman?

Level 2.7, Story 1



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ACROSS

- 2 turned up the soil to get it ready for planting
- 5 the ability to do or have certain things, such as freedom
- 7 help or assistance
- 8 brought together in one place
- 9 to earn, get, or win
- 10 having the same rights as another to do things

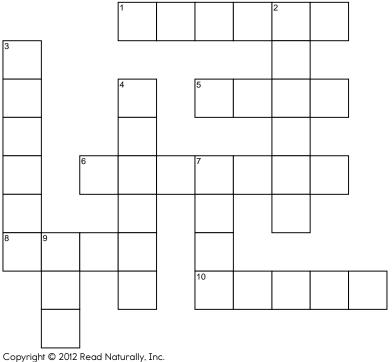
DOWN

- 1 said something as if it were true
- 3 simple, not decorated or fancy
- 4 the seeds of plants used to make things like bread and cereal
- **6** a person who is forced to work for someone else

WORD BANK: aid, claimed, equal, gain, gathered, grain, plain, plowed, rights, slave

An Important Energy Source

Level 2.7, Story 2



ACROSS

- 1 to see or to observe
- 5 hard, black rocks dug out of the ground and burned to give heat
- **6** people, things, or places that something comes from
- **8** single or the only one
- 10 having to do with the sun

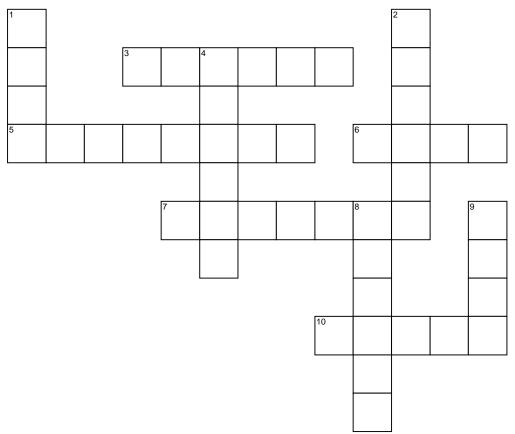
DOWN

- 2 covered with something
- 3 objects that are hard, thin, and flat
- 4 kept or held for later use
- 7 beams of light
- 9 a liquid found in the ground that can be burned to give heat

WORD BANK: coal, coated, notice, oil, plates, rays, solar, sole, sources, stored

The Pacemaker—A Heart Saver

Level 2.7, Story 3



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ACROSS

- 3 something that picks up signals
- 5 uses electricity in order to work
- **6** a box or package for protecting or holding something
- **7** something that combines chemicals to make electricity
- 10 pieces of thin metal used for carrying electricity

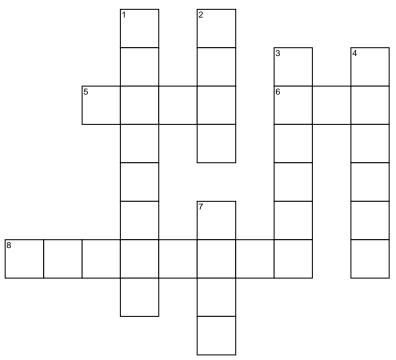
DOWN

- 1 the number of times something happens in a certain amount of time
- 2 always moving at the same speed
- 4 the way something usually is
- 8 moving at a faster than normal rate
- 9 gives help to someone or something

WORD BANK: aids, battery, case, electric, normal, racing, rate, sensor, steady, wires

Old Animal Friends

Level 2.7, Story 4



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ACROSS

- 5 the fur, wool, or hair of an animal
- **6** have something belong to you
- **8** makes something go through the throat and into the stomach

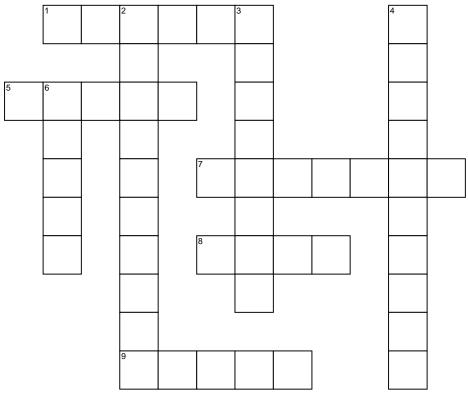
DOWN

- 1 likely to be or likely to happen
- 2 plants with seeds that are used as food for people and animals
- 3 large teeth in the back of the mouth used to grind food
- 4 different from all others
- 7 warm and comfortable

WORD BANK: coat, cozy, molars, oats, own, probably, swallows, unique

Calamity Jane

Level 2.7, Story 5



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ACROSS

- 1 large areas of flat land
- 5 a place where a dead person is buried
- 7 said something as if it were true
- 8 gentle and caring
- **9** someone people think is very kind and good

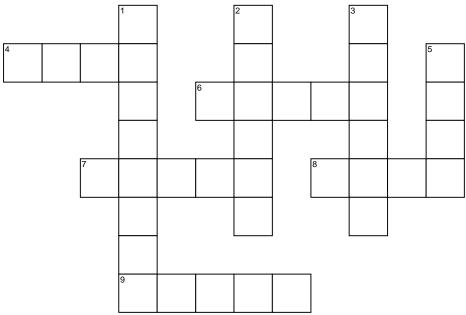
DOWN

- 2 interesting or exciting things people do
- **3** a dangerous disease that causes fever, aches, and small spots on the skin
- 4 a four-wheeled carriage pulled by horses
- **6** a large area of open land where animals can move about

WORD BANK: adventures, claimed, grave, plains, range, saint, smallpox, soft, stagecoach

The Coldest Place on Earth

Level 2.7, Story 6



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ACROSS

- 4 hard, black rocks dug out of the ground and burned to give heat
- **6** the place where an ocean touches land
- 7 a collection or supply of something
- **8** get bigger, taller, or longer
- 9 a model of the planet Earth

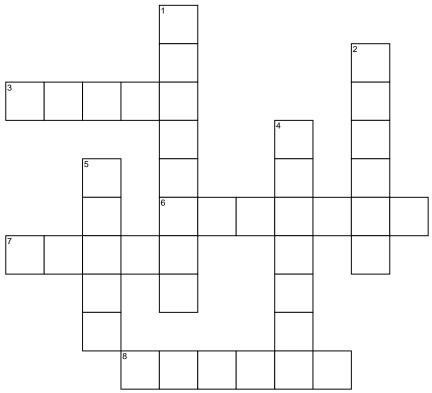
DOWN

- 1 staying on top of the water
- 2 turned to ice by the cold
- 3 time that has not yet happened
- 5 little white flakes that fall from the sky

WORD BANK: coal, coast, floating, frozen, future, globe, grow, snow, store

Vincent Van Gogh

Level 2.7, Story 7



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ACROSS

- 3 simple, not decorated or fancy
- **6** learned how to do something
- 7 to be bright
- **8** given a border around the edges of something

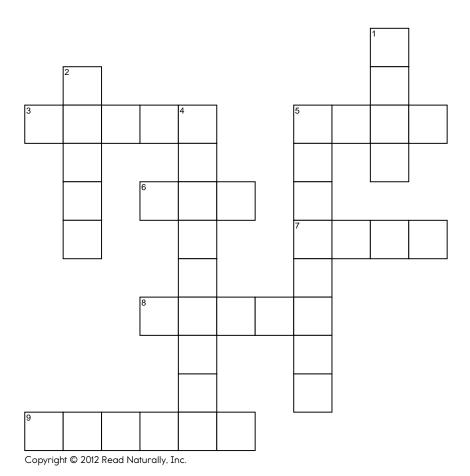
DOWN

- 1 someone who is allowed to perform religious duties
- 2 did not do well at something
- 4 one who does not succeed
- 5 weak or thin

WORD BANK: blaze, failed, failure, frail, framed, minister, plain, trained

The Story of Stoves

Level 2.7, Story 8



ACROSS

- 3 long, round posts
- 5 made from a kind of mud that gets hard when dried
- 6 something that is like air and can be used to make things burn or make things float
- 7 an empty container that people pour liquid into to make a shape or form
- 8 something that gives off heat for cooking
- 9 kept or held for later use

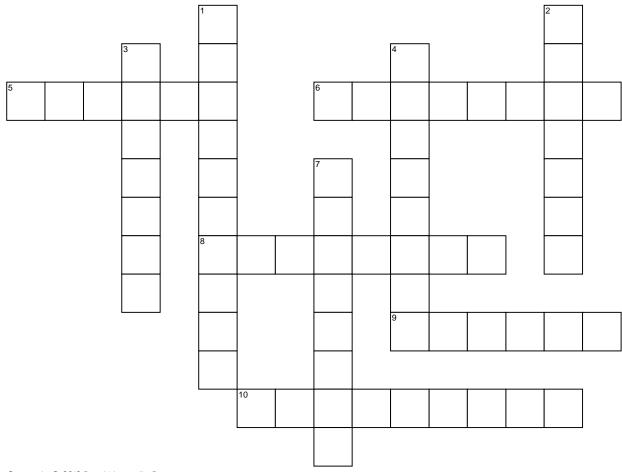
DOWN

- 1 hard, black rocks dug out of the ground and burned for heat
- 2 drilled or poked
- 4 a kind of rock that feels soft and smooth
- 5 tall, hollow vents or openings

WORD BANK: bored, chimneys, clay, coal, gas, mold, poles, soapstone, stored, stove

Clown Shrimp

Level 2.7, Story 9



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ACROSS

- **5** a small water animal with ten legs and a shell
- **6** body parts on the heads of insects that are used for sensing things
- **8** a tank or bowl for keeping water animals
- 9 normal ways of doing things
- 10 easily hurt by things

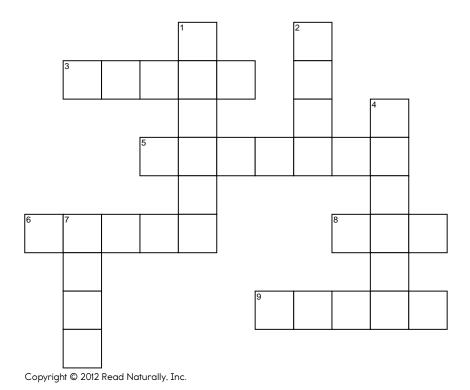
DOWN

- 1 the way someone or something looks
- 2 to show, offer, or make something a main part
- 3 ready or wanting to do something
- 4 a sea animal that is shaped like a star
- 7 eating a lot of food in one large meal

WORD BANK: antennae, appearance, aquarium, feasting, feature, habits, sensitive, shrimp, starfish, willing

Dune Buggy

Level 2.7, Story 10



ACROSS

- 3 having small changes made in order to run better
- 5 shaped like tubes
- **6** a structure, like a skeleton, that gives something shape and support
- **8** a liquid used to make machine parts move more smoothly
- 9 gases or puffs of smoke

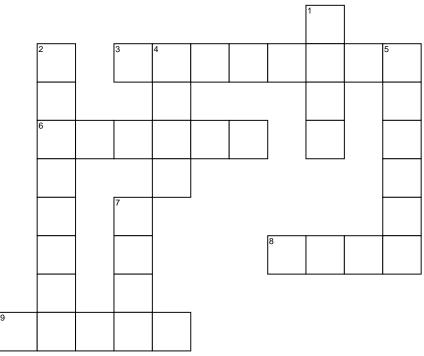
DOWN

- 1 to say no
- **2** something that burns to give off heat, light, or power
- 4 to move along smoothly in a vehicle
- 7 to make something unusable or unsuccessful

WORD BANK: cruise, frame, fuel, fumes, oil, refuse, ruin, tubular, tuned

Wild Plants You Can Eat

Level 2.7, Story 11



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ACROSS

- **3** the quality of being not settled down or tamed
- 6 new, up-to-date, and in the present day
- 8 to look for or try to find
- **9** wild plants that grow where you do not want them

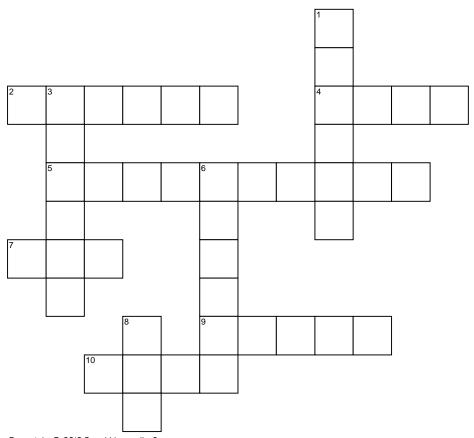
DOWN

- 1 food you eat, usually at breakfast, lunch, or dinner
- **2** an outdoor fire for cooking, warmth, or pleasure
- 4 a thought or plan
- 5 a quality in you that makes you act a certain way
- 7 living or growing in nature without the help of people

WORD BANK: campfire, idea, meal, modern, seek, streak, weeds, wild, wildness

Blue Snake

Level 2.7, Story 12



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ACROSS

- 2 to follow or chase something
- 4 to move back and forth slowly
- 5 something used to make music
- 7 a signal
- **9** faithful or willing to stay with someone or something
- 10 a trick or plan for fooling someone

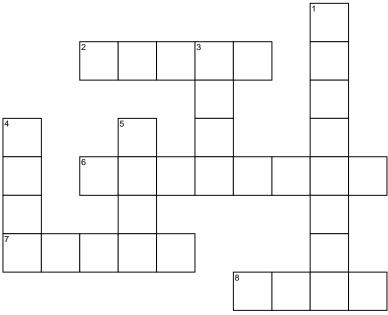
DOWN

- 1 a person in control of other people or animals
- **3** different from all others
- **6** to make many quick tapping or knocking sounds
- 8 a shade of color

WORD BANK: cue, hue, instrument, loyal, master, pursue, rattle, ruse, sway, unique

Even Dogs Dream

Level 2.7, Story 13



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ACROSS

- 2 stone-like structures made from skeletons of corals
- **6** resting the body
- 7 to have pictures, thoughts, or feelings in the mind while sleeping
- **8** layers of skin that cover the eyeballs

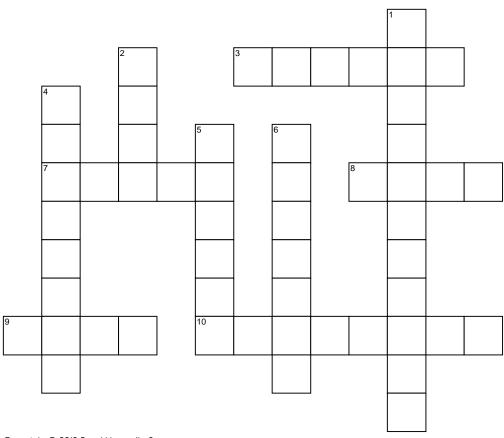
DOWN

- 1 stuck in a place that is hard to get out of without help
- 3 to run away quickly from something
- **4** yellow metal people find in the ground and in streams
- 5 a tiny insect that can jump very high

WORD BANK: dream, flea, flee, gold, lids, reefs, sleeping, stranded

Musical Instruments

Level 2.7, Story 14



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ACROSS

- **3** empty on the inside
- 7 a set of musical sounds arranged in order
- **8** a long, round shape that is empty in the middle
- **9** a narrow section of something
- **10** having to do with soldiers and their weapons

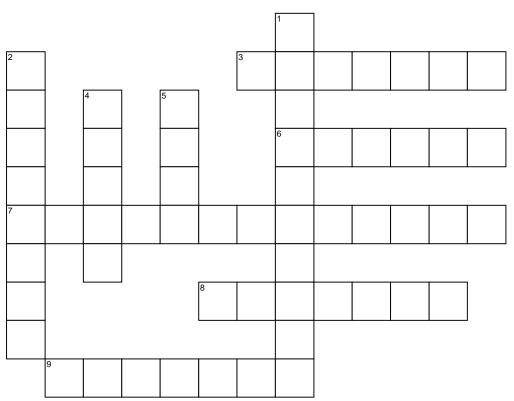
DOWN

- 1 to tell or share information and ideas
- 2 a style of dance from the South Pacific
- **4** spoken or written information sent between people
- 5 not very often
- 6 easy to break or damage

WORD BANK: communicate, fragile, hollow, hula, messages, military, neck, scale, seldom, tube

2,000 Years of Peace

Level 2.7, Story 15



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ACROSS

- 3 jumping
- **6** people who have the same importance and the same rights to do things
- 7 scientists who study ancient people and things
- **8** people who lead religious ceremonies
- 9 tools that can be used to attack or defend

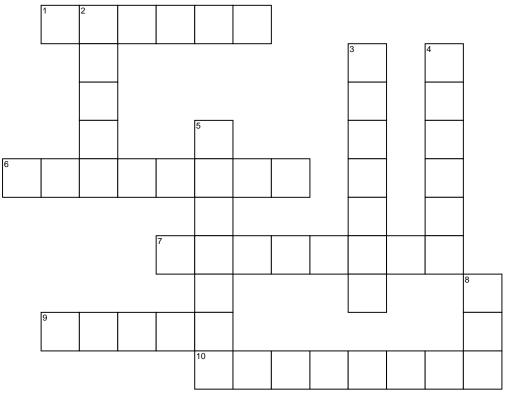
DOWN

- 1 special acts or events done to celebrate something
- 2 likely to be or likely to happen
- **4** a time when people are not at war with each other
- **5** freedom from difficulty

WORD BANK: archeologists, ceremonies, ease, equals, leaping, peace, priests, probably, weapons

Planets in Our Solar System

Level 2.7, Story 16



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ACROSS

- 1 liquids
- 6 having the shape of a circle
- 7 everything that exists
- **9** the path that one object in space takes around another
- 10 right for something or a good fit

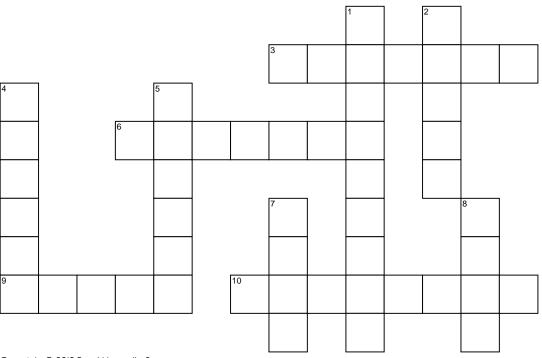
DOWN

- 2 having to do with the moon
- 3 big, hollow areas in rocks
- 4 different from all others
- 5 round objects in outer space that go around the sun
- **8** a shade of color

WORD BANK: circular, craters, fluids, hue, lunar, orbit, planets, suitable, unique, universe

Jumping Mice

Level 2.7, Story 17



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ACROSS

- 3 moving smoothly and easily
- 6 to stay steady and not fall down
- 9 places or locations of things
- 10 presses or makes something thinner

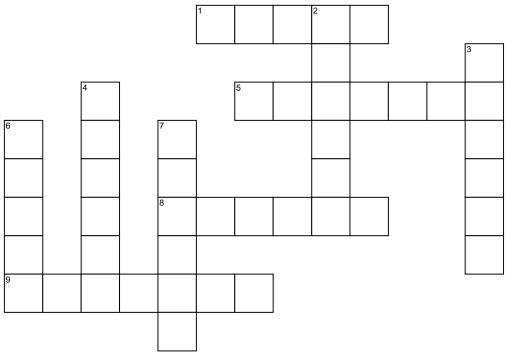
DOWN

- 1 to sleep during the winter months
- 2 moves down head first and at a fast speed
- **4** the seeds of plants used to make bread and cereal
- 5 the claws of birds of prey
- 7 not raised, grown, or controlled by people
- 8 back or rear

WORD BANK: balance, dives, flattens, gliding, grains, hibernate, hind, sites, talons, wild

Space Flight

Level 2.7, Story 18



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ACROSS

- 1 the place where the stars and planets are
- 5 a vehicle that can fly into space and back
- 8 a gas found in the air and water
- 9 beyond the normal or usual level

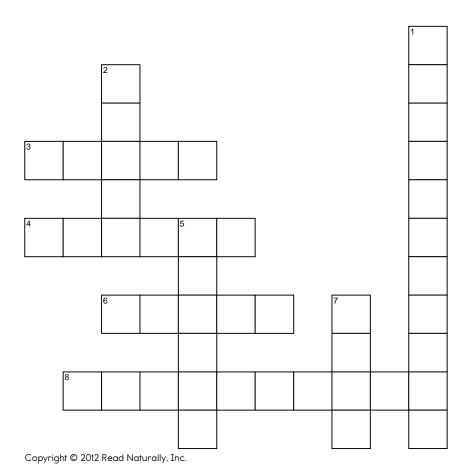
DOWN

- 2 move along smoothly in a vehicle
- 3 made warmer
- **4** a trip made through air or space by a vehicle
- 6 keep in a special place
- 7 turned by cold into ice

WORD BANK: cruise, extreme, flight, frozen, heated, oxygen, shuttle, space, store

Kites

Level 2.7, Story 19



ACROSS

- **3** a short, bright light caused by electricity
- 4 the way something is built or made
- 6 the last parts of things
- **8** a careful test to see if something works or is true

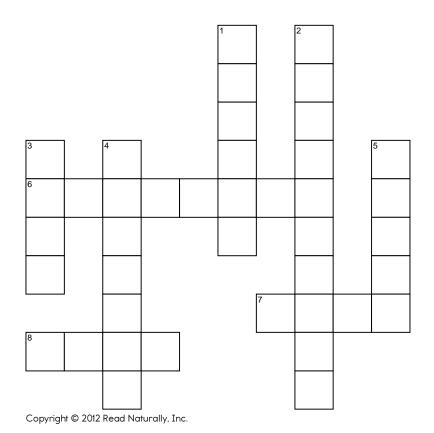
DOWN

- 1 power used for lighting, heating, and making machines work
- 2 a kind of metal that is usually yellowish in color
- 5 moves smoothly and easily
- 7 a thought or plan

WORD BANK: brass, design, electricity, experiment, glides, idea, spark, tails

The African Gnu

Level 2.7, Story 20



ACROSS

- 6 a hoofed animal that looks like a deer
- 7 a group of animals of the same kind
- 8 to eat

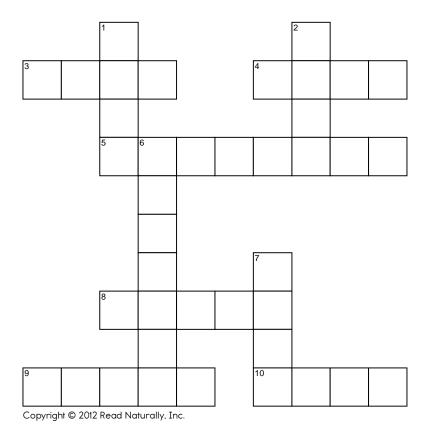
DOWN

- 1 often seen or heard
- 2 another name for the African gnu
- 3 the young of a cow or bull
- 4 long, thin lines of color
- 5 hair that grows from the chin

WORD BANK: antelope, beard, calf, common, feed, herd, stripes, wildebeest

Is It Really a Flower?

Level 2.7, Story 21



ACROSS

- 3 dirt in which plants grow
- 4 fully developed
- 5 completely or totally
- 8 to see, spot, or notice
- **9** plants like mushrooms that have no leaves and grow in wet places
- **10** a fuzzy plant that grows where it is a little wet

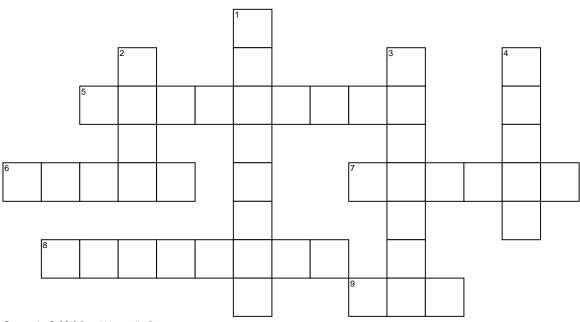
DOWN

- 1 very thin, light, or delicate
- 2 a thing used for smoking tobacco
- 6 moving the head up and down
- 7 the long, thin part of a plant

WORD BANK: entirely, fine, fungi, moss, nodding, pipe, ripe, sight, soil, stem

Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes

Level 2.7, Story 22



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ACROSS

- 5 openings in the earth that shoot out lava, ash, and steam
- 6 gases or puffs of smoke
- 7 the low land between hills or mountains
- **8** an area where wild plants and animals are protected
- **9** gray powder left over after something has been burned

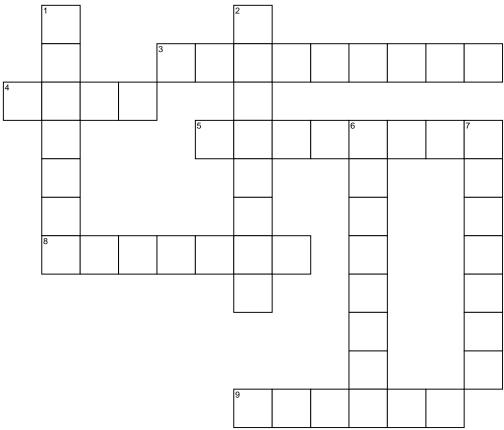
DOWN

- 1 large pieces of ice that move slowly
- 2 an area that is used for a special purpose
- 3 lands surrounded by water
- 4 shot or blew something out

WORD BANK: ash, fired, fumes, glaciers, islands, preserve, valley, volcanoes, zone

Land of Fire and Ice

Level 2.7, Story 23



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ACROSS

- **3** openings in the earth that shoot out lava, ash, and steam
- 4 is in a place
- 5 large pieces of floating ice
- **8** to look for something new or try to find information about something
- 9 a trip through air or space

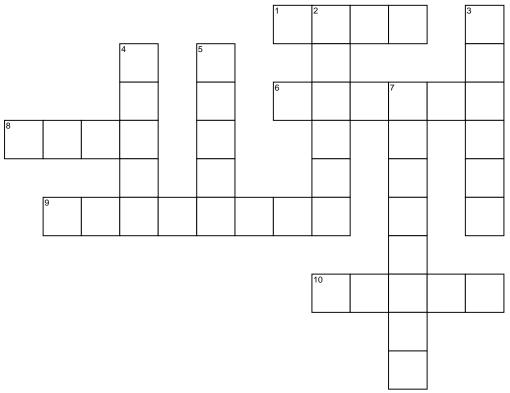
DOWN

- 1 the kind of weather that a place usually has
- 2 large pieces of ice that move over the ground
- **6** exploding or bursting, and shooting out a substance
- **7** streams of water that flow from under the ground

WORD BANK: climate, erupting, explore, flight, glaciers, icebergs, lies, springs, volcanoes

Woman of San Nicolas Island

Level 2.7, Story 24



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ACROSS

- 1 not trained to live with people
- **6** the large, fluffy feathers on some birds
- **8** made something by crossing threads or strips over and under each other
- 9 brought together in one place
- 10 the place where an ocean touches land

DOWN

- 2 land surrounded by water on all sides
- 3 the act of bringing someone to safety
- **4** to welcome or to say friendly words when meeting someone
- 5 rough, simple, or basic
- 7 a large piece of land that makes up most of a country or continent

WORD BANK: coast, crude, gathered, greet, island, mainland, plumes, rescue, wild, wove