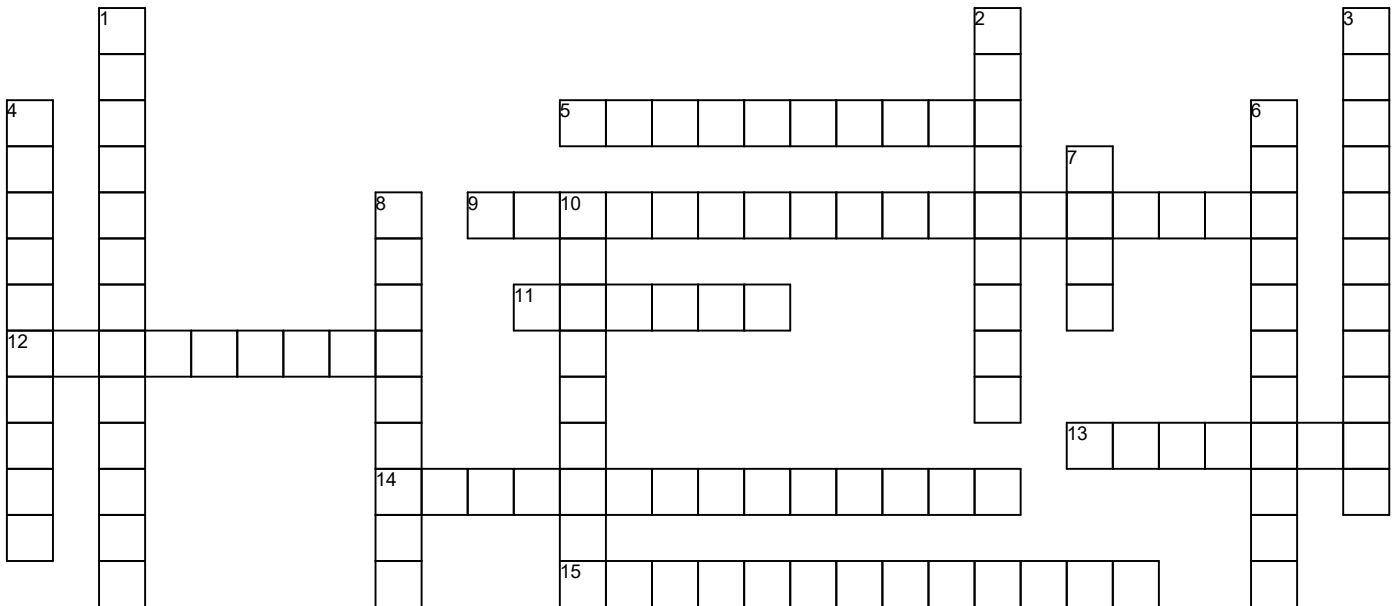


# 3rd Grade Science Vocabulary Crossword Puzzle 15

1. Using the Across and Down clues, write the correct words in the numbered grid below.



## ACROSS

5. An organism that breaks down wastes and dead organisms.
9. Include lakes and ponds, rivers, streams, springs, and wetlands.
11. A preserved remnant or impression of an organism that lived in the past.
12. Turned to stone.
13. Place where an organism lives.
14. Marine, freshwater, or wetland where plants and animals live.
15. A habitat where animals live in water that contains salt.

## DOWN

1. Any form of water that falls from clouds and reaches Earth's surface.
2. Any difference between organisms of the same species.
3. Observe, study, or make a detailed examination, in order to learn facts.
4. Layers of air surrounding Earth.
6. The act of noticing and describing something in a careful way.
7. Air in motion.
8. The sequence of transfers of matter and energy in the form of food from organism to organism.
10. A system composed of organisms and nonliving components of an environment.

decomposer  
 observation  
 marine habitat  
 aquatic habitat  
 investigate

freshwater habitats  
 petrified  
 habitat  
 food chain  
 fossil

variation  
 ecosystem  
 wind  
 precipitation  
 atmosphere