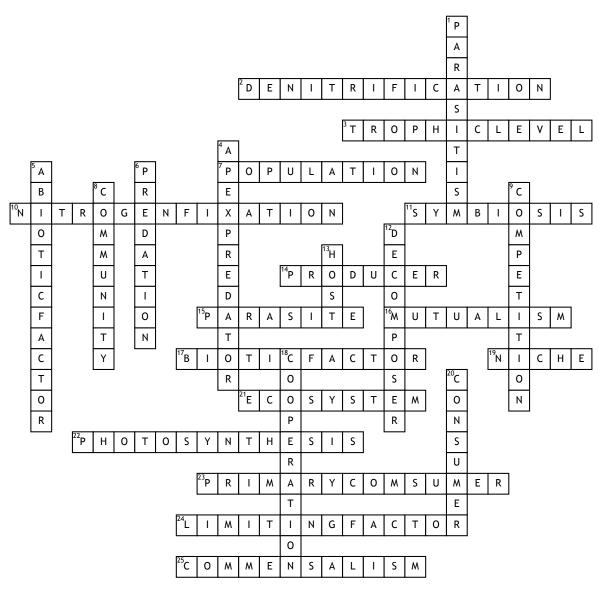
Ecosystems



<u>Across</u>

2. The process in which fixed nitrogen compounds are converted back into nitrogen gas and returned to the atmosphere

3. A feeding level in an ecosystem7. A group of organisms of the same species living in the same place

10. The process that converts nitrogen in the atmosphere into compounds in the soil that are useful to a varity of organisms
11. A close relationship between two species that benefits at least one of the species (3 types-mutualism, commensalism, parasitism)

14. An organism in a food web or food chain that makes its own food

15. An organism that lives in or on another organism and benefits at the other organism's expense

16. A symbiotic relationship between two organisms in which both organisms benefit17. A living part of an ecosystem

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19. An organism's role in its environment21. All the living and nonliving parts of an environment as well as the ineractions among them

22. A process by which plants use the sun's energy to make food

23. An organism that eats producers

24. An environmental factor that prevents a population from increasing

25. A relationship between two species in which one species benefits and the other is neither helped or harmed

<u>Down</u>

1. A symbiotic relationship in which one organism benefits and the other is harmed

4. A predator that is at the top of a food chain and that is not preyed upon by any other animal

5. The nonliving parts of an ecosystem
6. A relationship in which one animal hunts, kills and eats another animal
8. All the populations of organisms in an ecosystem

9. An interaction that occurs when organisms try to get the same resources
12. An organism that gets energy by breaking down dead organisms and the wastes of living things

13. An organism that a parasite lives in or on

18. A helpful interaction among organisms living in a limited area that aids each organism's survival

20. An organism that obtains energy by feeding on other organisms