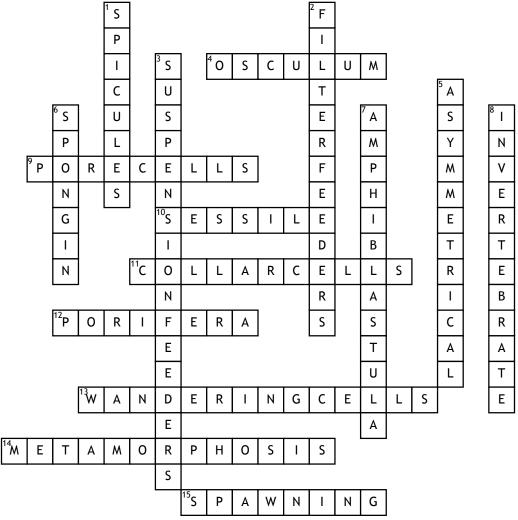
Sponges Crossword Puzzle



Across

- **4.** a large aperture in a sponge through which water is expelled
- **9.** water flows into a sponge through cells with pores
- 10. fixed in one place; immobile
- **11.** Cells that line the interior of sponges, cells are surrounded by a collar of microvilli
- **12.** a phylum of aquatic invertebrate animals that comprises the sponges
- **13.** cells that are found in connective tissue, but are not fixed in place and move around
- 14. a change of the form or nature of a thing or person into a completely different one
- **15.** eject sperm and egg cells into the water, the larva settles to a suitable location on the bottom and grows into an adult sponge

Down

1. structural elements found in most sponges. They provide structural support and deter predators

- **2.** feed by straining suspended matter and food particles from water
- **3.** an animal that feeds on material (such as planktonic organisms) suspended in water
- **5.** having parts or aspects that are not equal or equivalent
- **6.** fibrous substance found in the skeleton of many sponges
- **7.** a free-swimming larva in certain sponges
- 8. an animal lacking a backbone

Word Bank

spawning porifera amphiblastula spicules
metamorphosis collar cells filter feeders wandering cells
invertebrate asymmetrical spongin pore cells
osculum suspension feeders sessile