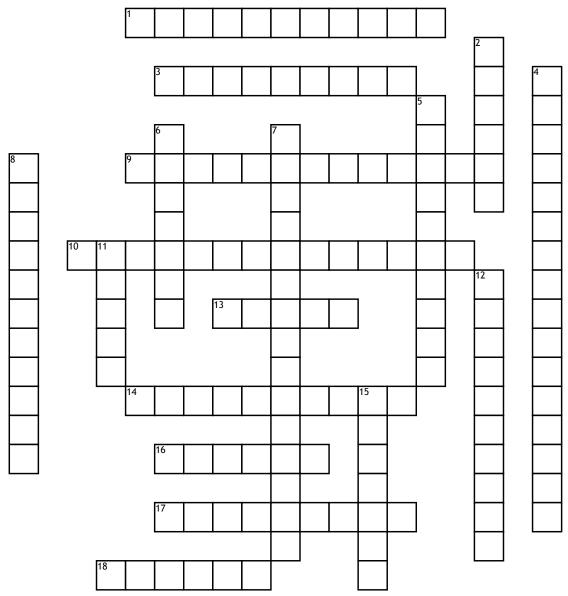
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Spelling and Vocabulary Contract #10



Across

- 1. A formal argument to prove points
- 3. A small stream or river that flows into a larger one
- 9. The clearing of forest lands
- 10. Radiant Energy emitted by the sun
- **13.** A large region characterized by a specific type of climate and certain types of plant and animal communities
- **14.** The permanently frozen ground below the soil surface in the artic tundra
- **16.** A far-northern biome characterized by long, cold winters, permafrost, and few trees

- **17.** A large open area of country covered with grass, especially one used for grazing
- **18.** A hot, dry biome inhabited by organisms adapted to survive high day time temperatures and long periods without rain

Down

- **2.** Describes an ecosystem based on salty water
- **4.** A tree area that produces seeds in cones
- **5.** Dense forest rich in biodiversity, found typically in tropical areas with consistency heavy rainfall
- **6.** An area of land where the water level is near or above the surface of the ground for most of the year

- **7.** A Forest where leaves turn colors and fall off
- **8.** A practice of farming, including cultivation of the soil for the growing of crops and the rearing of animals to provide food, wool, and other products
- **11.** A body of saline water that composes much of a planet's hydrosphere
- **12.** The study of the shape and features of the surface of the Earth
- **15.** A tropical grassland biome with scattered clumps of trees