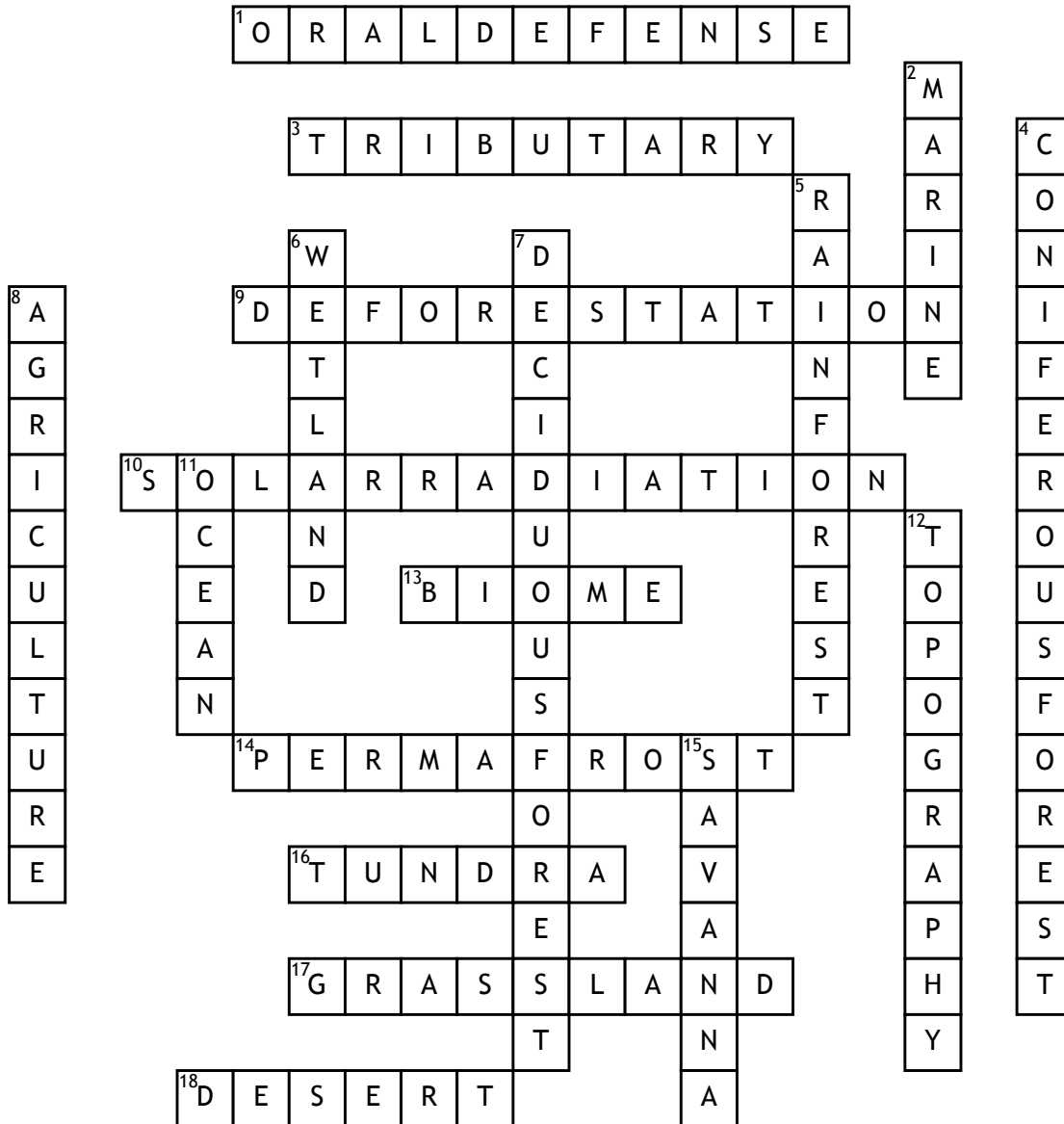


Spelling and Vocabulary Contract #10



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 arctic 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 consistently 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