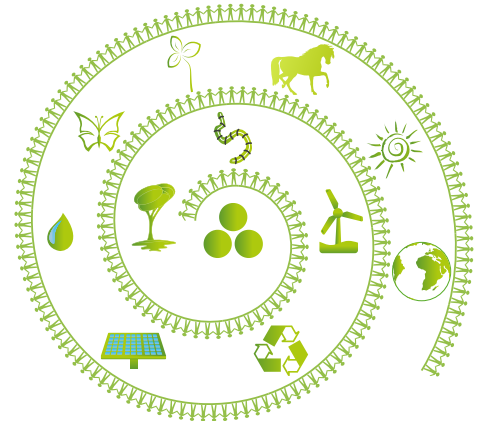
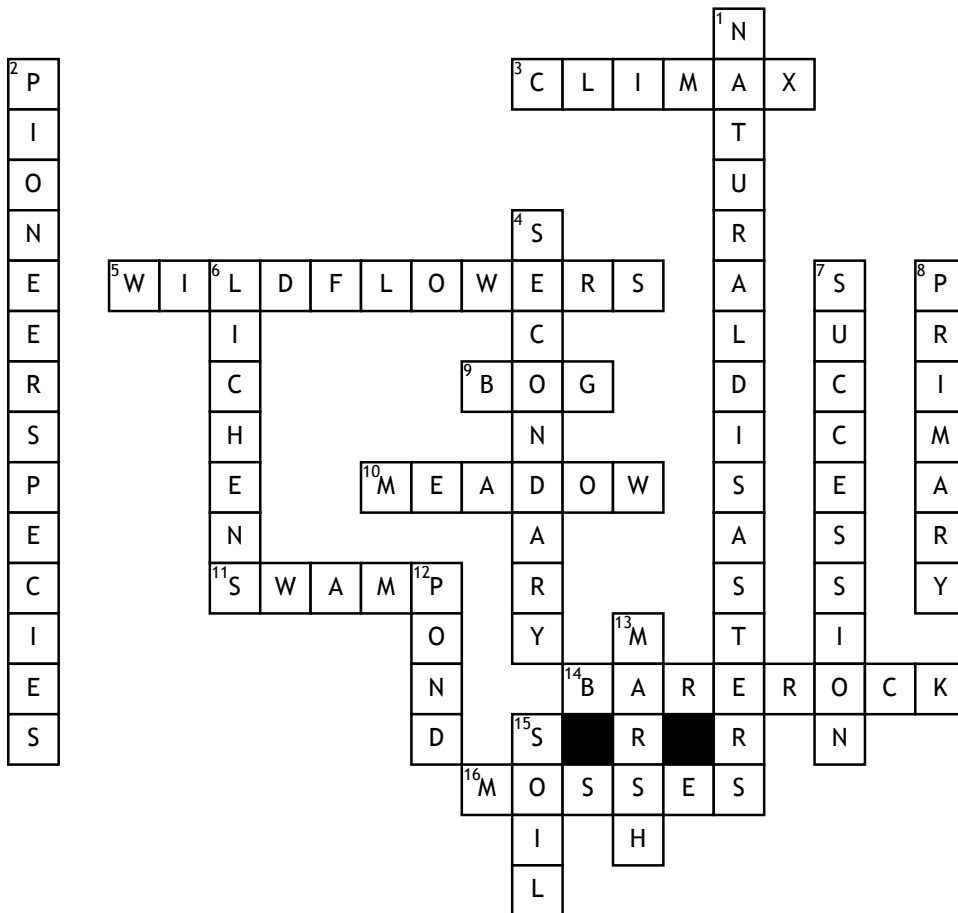


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Ecological Succession



Across

3. A _____ community includes mature trees and a thriving ecosystem

5. Annual plants

9. A wetland that has shallow water because of all the deposits of dead plants

10. A vegetated field with grasses, flowers, and trees

11. What people in the South call a marsh

14. Where primary succession begins

16. Other pioneer species

Down

1. These includes fires, hurricanes, and tornados

2. First organisms to inhabit an area

4. _____ succession is the series of changes that occur after a disturbance in an existing ecosystem

6. One of the pioneer species

7. _____ enables an ecosystem to recover

8. _____ succession is the series of changes that occur in an area where no ecosystem previously existed

12. Area of standing water that is smaller than a lake

13. Even shallower water that has grasses growing in it and trees growing around it

15. Secondary succession differs from primary succession because the area already has _____