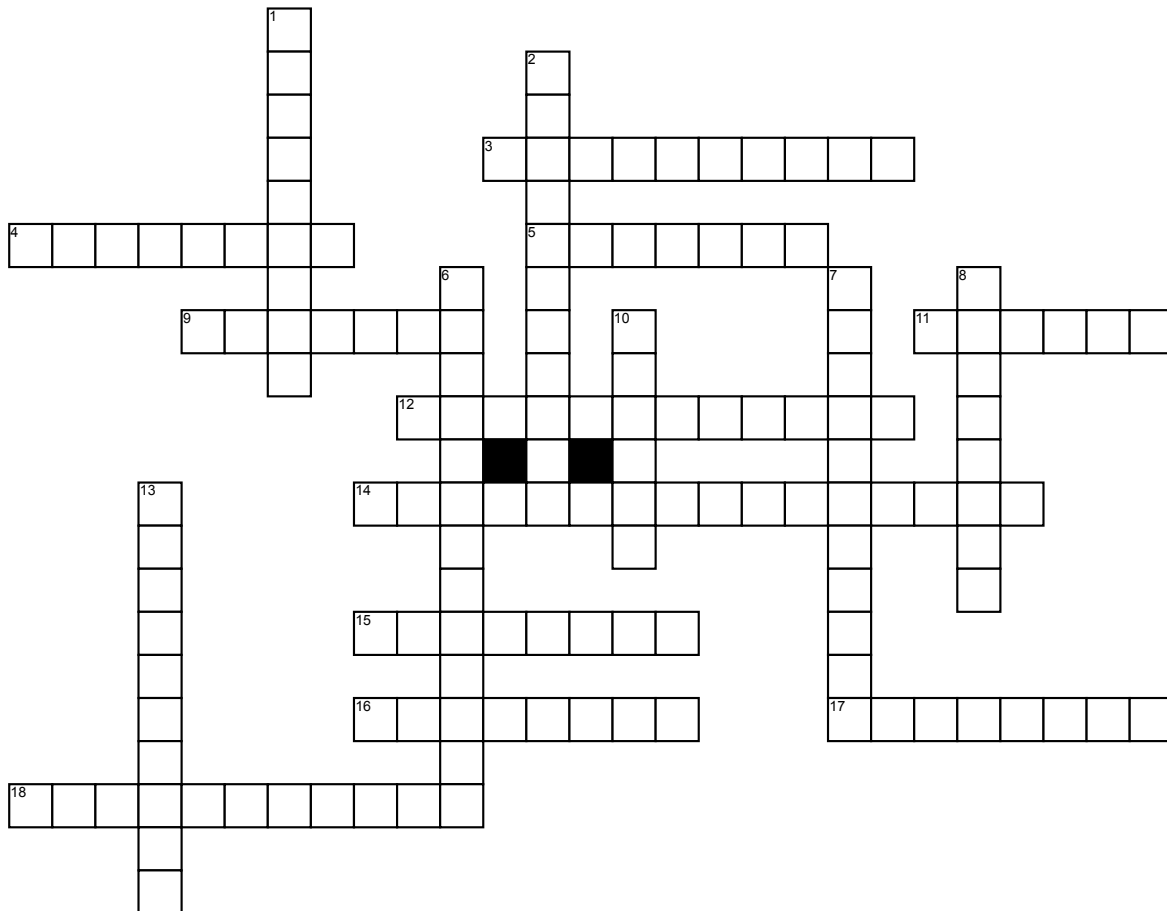


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# Nail Structure & Growth



## Across

**3.** Living skin at the base of the natural nail plate that covers the matrix

**4.** Lateral nail fold

**5.** Portion of the living skin that supports the nail plate

**9.** Dead, colorless tissue attached to the natural nail plate

**11.** Area where the nail plate cells are formed

**12.** The tissue bordering the root and sides of a fingernail or toenail

**14.** When the nail is abnormal in shape or form

**15.** Part of the nail plate that extends over the tip of the finger or toes

**16.** Composed of several major parts of the fingernail

**17.** Tough band of fibrous tissue that connects bones or holds an organ together

**18.** Slightly thickened layer of skin under the nail that lies between the fingertip and free edge

## Down

**1.** Hardened keratin plate that sits on and covers the natural nail bed

**2.** Slightly thickened layer of skin under the nail that lies between the fingertip and free edge

**6.** Thin layer of tissue that attaches the nailplate and nail bed

**7.** Also known as the onyx

**8.** Fold of normal skin that surrounds the natural nail plate

**10.** Whitish, halfmoon shape

**13.** Furrow on each side of the nail