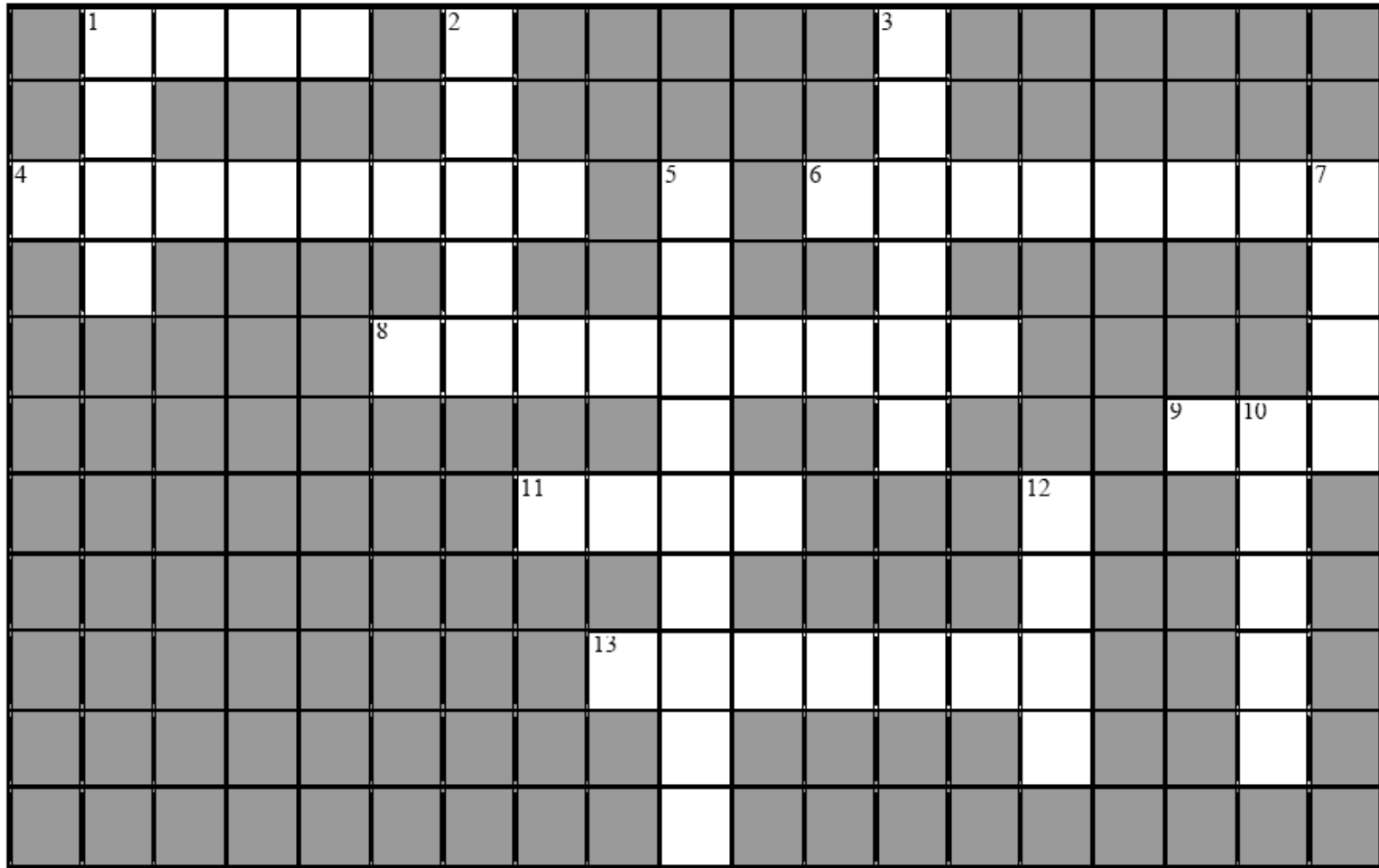


# World of the Pond Crossword



## ACROSS

- 1. These slippery creatures swim underwater and eat insects.
- 4. A little insect that likes to bite you!
- 6. An animal that hunts and kills its food.
- 8. A "ferocious" insect that buzzes around a pond.
- 9. Ponds change over time. A young pond has a lot of water and few plants, while an \_\_\_\_\_ pond has less water and more plants.
- 11. A bird that likes to swim in ponds.
- 13. A frog that is not yet an adult, and has a head and a tail.

## DOWN

- 1. An amphibian that hops around a pond.
- 2. A wetland is an area that is covered all or part of the time by \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. A reptile with a hard shell.
- 5. A mayfly eats pondweed, and a sunfish eats the mayfly. This is an example of a \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7. A tall, grass-like plant that emerges above the surface of a pond.
- 10. Complete metamorphosis (changing from one form into another) has four stages: egg, \_\_\_\_\_, pupa, adult.
- 12. An animal that is hunted for food by another animal.



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### ACROSS

1. Fish
4. Mosquito
6. Predator
8. Dragonfly
9. Old
11. Duck
13. Tadpole

### DOWN

1. Frog
2. Water
3. Turtle
5. Food Chain
7. Reed
10. Larva
12. Prey

## Pond Words Answer Key

1. Wetlands
2. Complete Metamorphosis
3. Succession
4. Indicator Species
5. Incomplete Metamorphosis
6. Aquatic
7. Decomposers