



# Nature Puzzles/Games

Criss Cross • Word Search • Coloring Sheet

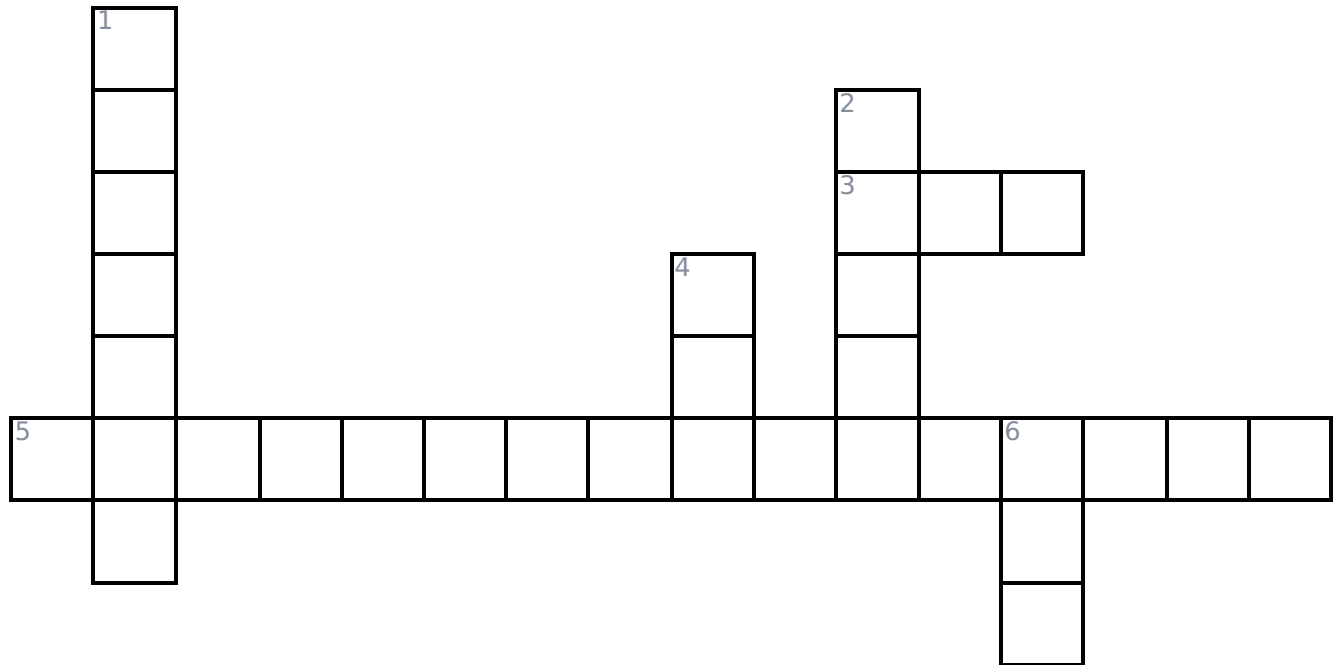




Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Nature: Criss Cross (K-2)

Answer clues based on the content and vocabulary words.  
Look for hints in the Word Bank.



### Word Bank

BAT  
MOUSE  
OWL  
RED-EYED TREE FROG  
HAMSTER  
FOX

### Across

- 3.** A bird with large eyes set in front of a large head  
**5.** A small, jumping animal with smooth, moist skin, long back legs, webbed feet, and no tail

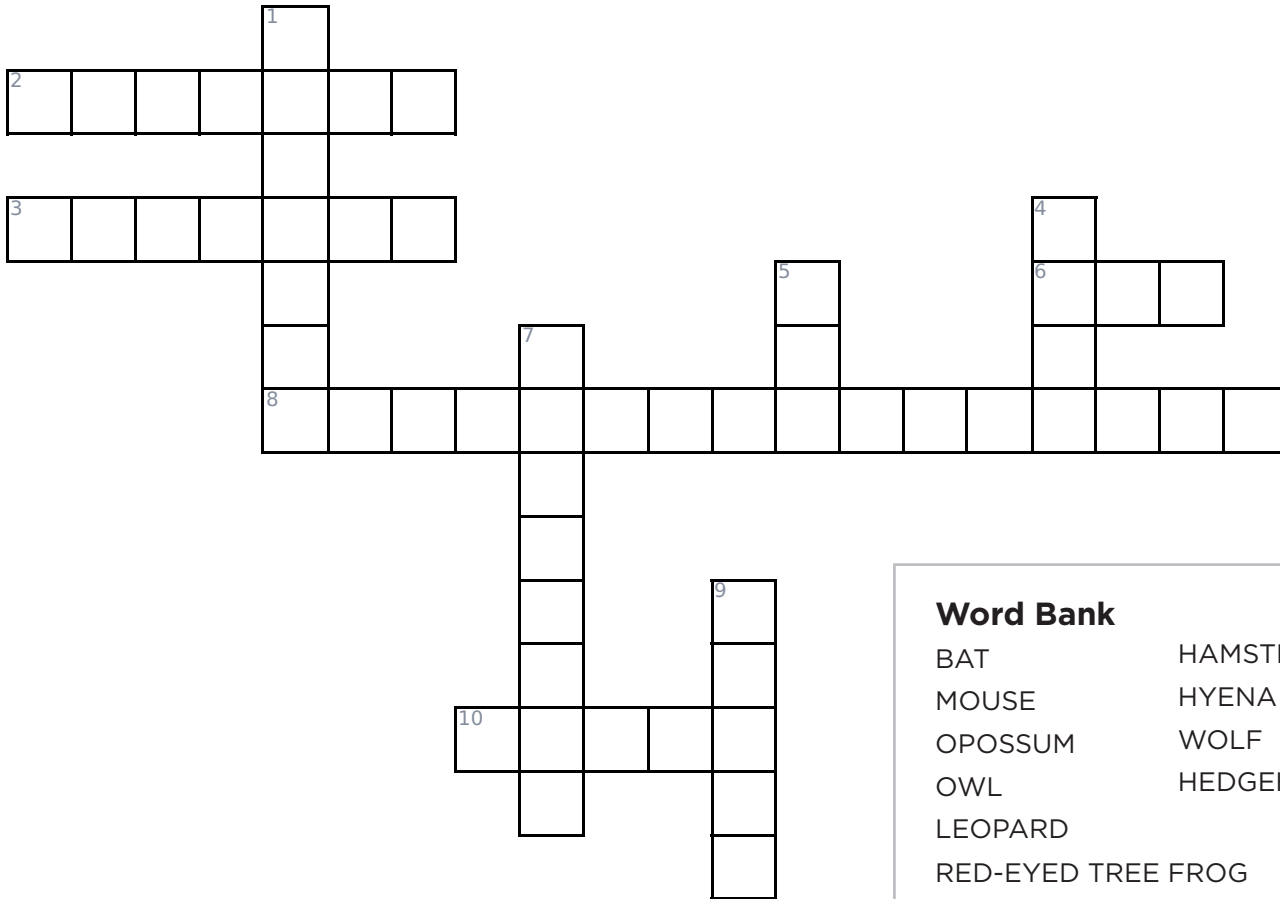
### Down

- 1.** A rodent that lives in burrows and come out at night to find food, often kept as a pet  
**2.** A very small mammal with gray or brown fur. They have pointed faces, round ears, and long tails with no fur.  
**4.** A small mammal that flies and eats at night  
**6.** A wild mammal that has a pointed nose, pointed ears, and a bushy tail and is closely related to coyotes and dogs

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## Nature: Criss Cross (3-5)

Answer clues based on the content and vocabulary words.  
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### Word Bank

BAT	HAMSTER
MOUSE	HYENA
OPOSSUM	WOLF
OWL	HEDGEHOG
LEOPARD	
RED-EYED TREE FROG	

### Down

1. A rodent that lives in burrows and come out at night to find food, often kept as a pet.
4. A wild mammal that has a pointed nose, pointed ears, and a bushy tail. They are closely related to coyotes, dogs, and foxes.
5. A small mammal that flies, having a small body and large wings covered with skin. They use sound to find and catch flying insects.
7. A very small animal with a pointed nose and a very short tail. They are brown and yellow fur with spines that stick out and protect them when they roll into a ball. They make tunnels in rows of bushes called hedges.
9. A mammal with very long front legs and shorter back legs. They look something like dogs, but are more closely related to cats, and have a cry that sounds like strange human laughter.

### Across

2. A large mammal with short yellow or gray fur and black spots. Those with very dark fur are called panthers.
3. A small mammal with gray fur, a pointed nose, and a long tail, which it uses to hang from tree branches. This animal is the only marsupial that lives in North America.
6. A bird with large eyes set in front of a large head with sharp claws. They are most active at night and hunt other animals for food.
8. A small, jumping animal with smooth, moist skin, long back legs, webbed feet, and no tail.
10. A very small mammal with gray or brown fur. They have pointed faces, round ears, and long tails with no fur.



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## Nature: Word Search (K-2)

Find the words in the list.

H	A	M	S	T	E	R	U
R	A	C	C	O	O	N	U
V	M	O	U	S	E	B	C
W	O	W	R	J	C	A	C
S	T	L	K	U	P	T	M
J	H	F	F	O	X	T	C
D	G	H	A	P	H	C	V
T	L	E	O	P	A	R	D

### Word Bank

**BAT**

**OWL**

**HAMSTER**

**MOUSE**

**FOX**

**RACCOON**

**MOTH**

**LEOPARD**



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## Nature: Word Search (3-5)

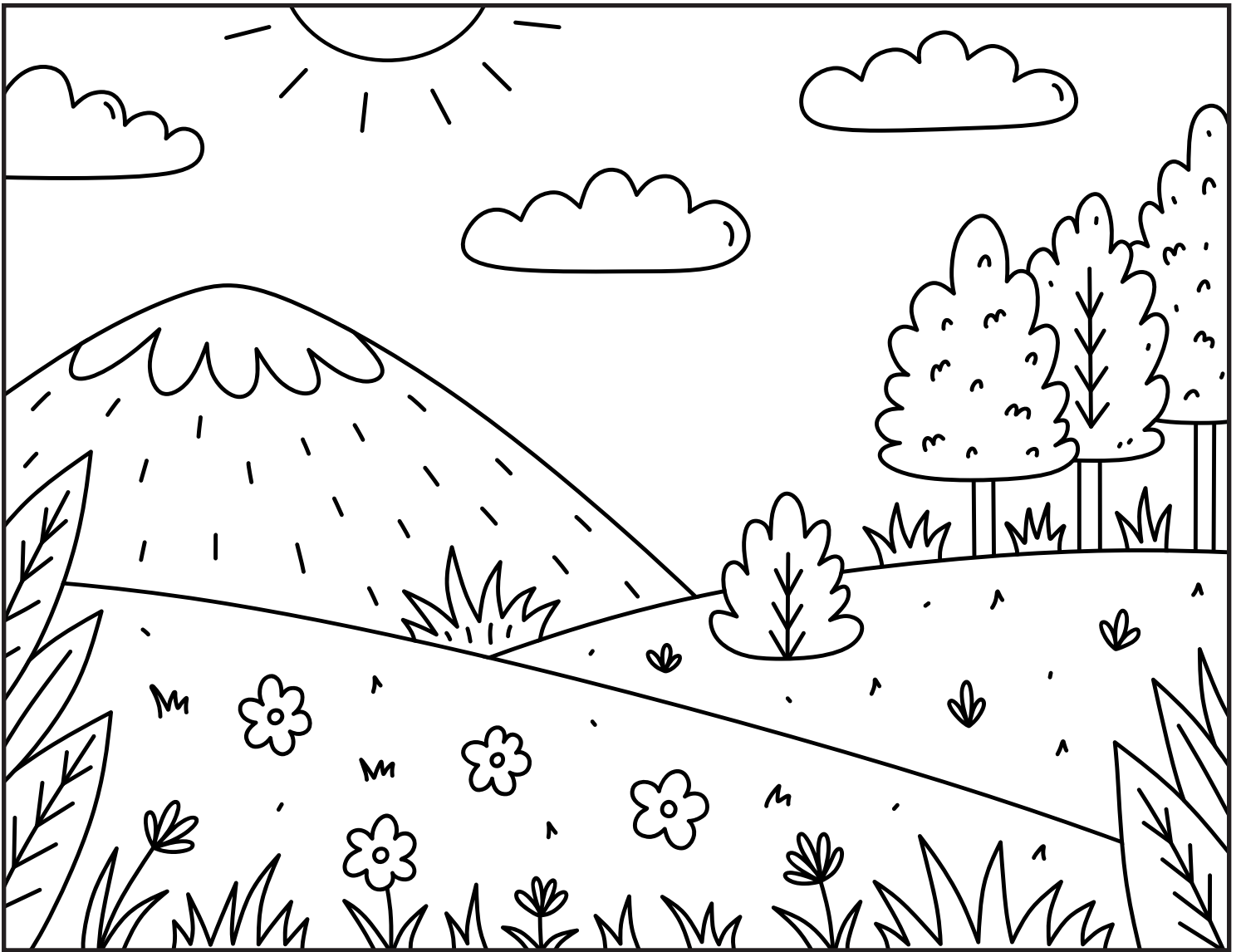
Find the words in the list.

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S	K	O	A	L	A	G	F	U
T	R	E	E	F	R	O	G	J
E	P	M	O	T	H	T	O	S
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### Word Bank

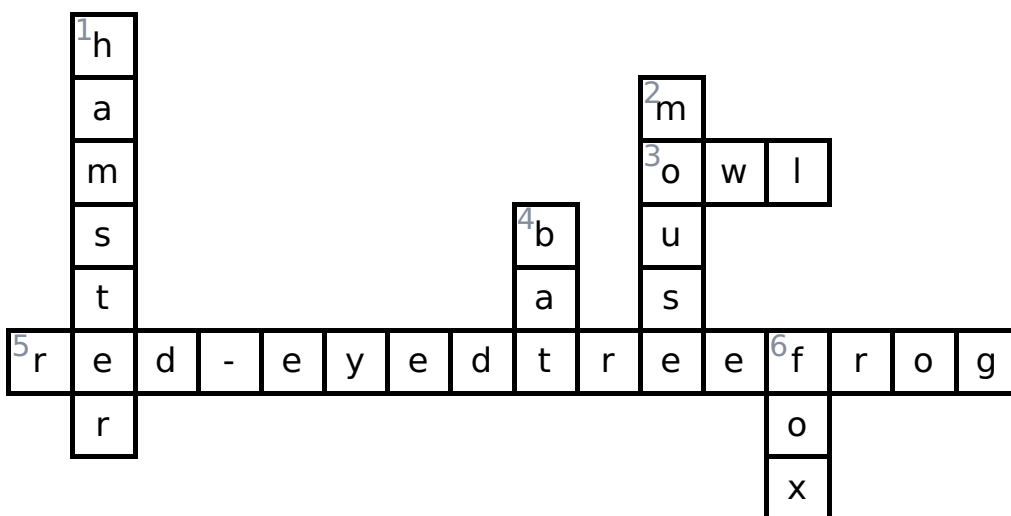
<b>BAT</b>	<b>OWL</b>	<b>HAMSTER</b>
<b>WOLF</b>	<b>MOUSE</b>	<b>HYENA</b>
<b>HEDGEHOG</b>	<b>TREE FROG</b>	<b>OPOSSUM</b>
<b>LEOPARD</b>	<b>KOALA</b>	<b>MOTH</b>

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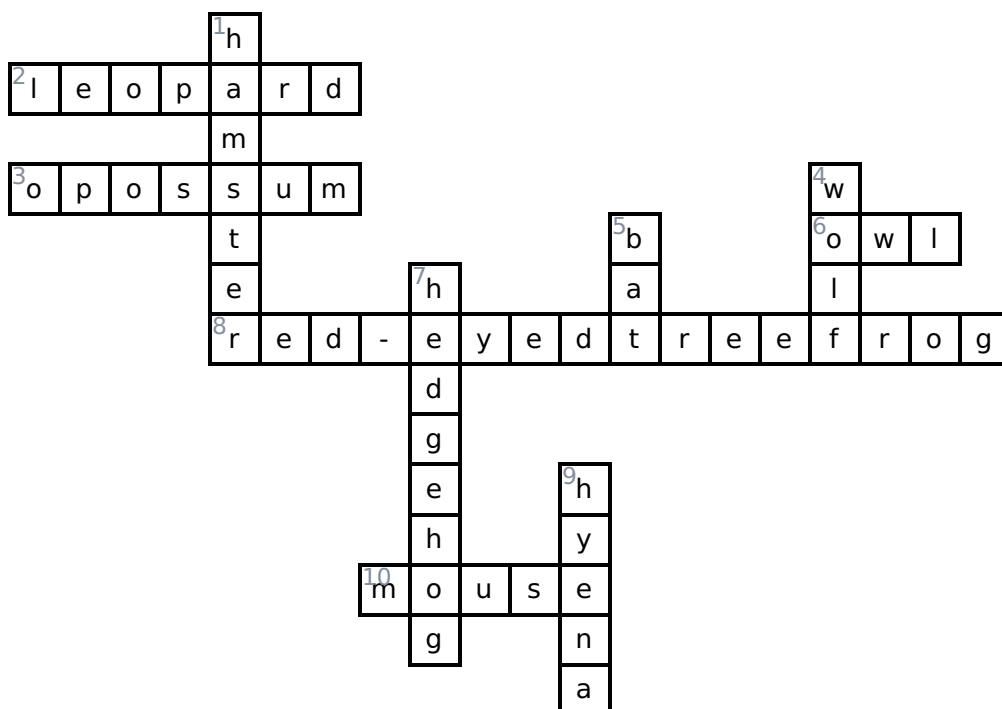


## Nature: Criss Cross (K-2) Answer Key





## Nature: Criss Cross (3-5) Answer Key





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## Nature: Word Search (3-5) Answer Key

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