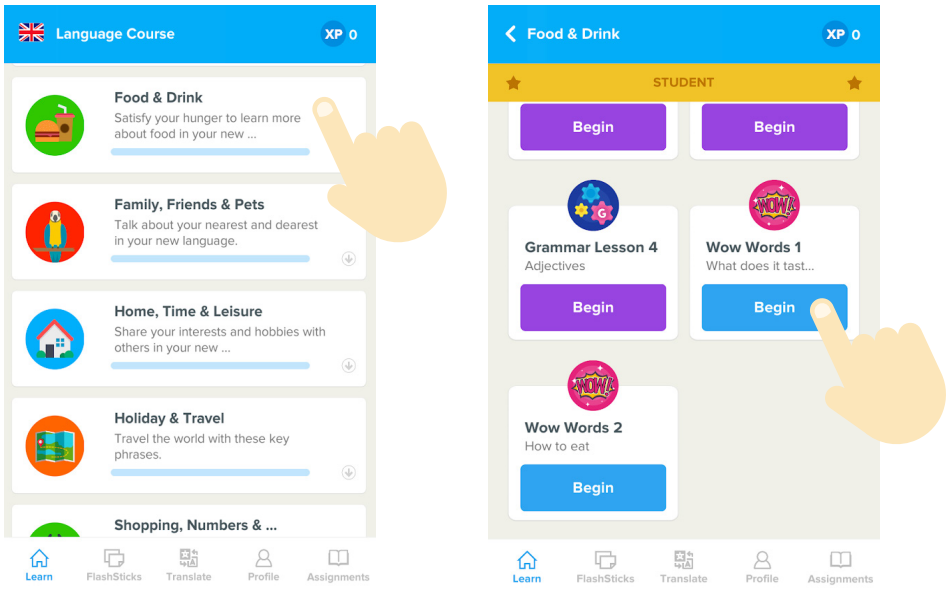
Wow Words Home Learning Activities

FlashAcademy® Wow Words lessons aim to teach pupils ambitious vocabulary to help improve their reading, writing and speaking skills. The lessons are found in Beginner and Intermediate general categories.



Learners can complete the lessons in the app independently, using the animated flashcards and tips to help. It is also a good idea to complete a range of different activities to help reinforce understanding and embed the words into memory. This pack contains the following activities:

Worksheets	Instructions
Flashcard Games	Print out the picture, word and definition flashcards for each lesson when completed. Follow the instructions to play the games.
Crosswords	There is one crossword for each Wow Words category (e.g. Food & Drink). Learners can complete the crossword and check answers with answer sheet.
Wow Wonder Cards	Learners can complete each card as an extension activity. Set targets e.g. Complete three activities in a row, complete one activity for three different Wow Words, complete one card a day.
Wow Word Web	Learners write a Wow Word in the middle, then complete the connected boxes. They can use the tips in the app to help them. They can complete as many Wow Word Webs as they want, and also use these for new words they come across when reading independently.
World Wide Wow	Learners write the Wow Words for a category in the left-hand column. As they read books, watch TV/films etc., they can complete the other columns when they notice the word in a real-life context. If they use the word in their speaking and writing, they can tick the 'I used it!' box. They could win a sticker or other reward if they use all the Wow Words.

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FLASHCARD GAMES INSTRUCTIONS

Wow Words - Beginner/Intermediate (KS1-4)

These games for 2+ players can all be played using the Wow Flashcards on the following pages.

1. Matching Memory

Print two sets of cards for one or more Wow lessons.
e.g. Pictures + Words
Words + Definitions
Place the cards face down and mixed up on the table. Take it in turns to turn over two cards. If the cards match, keep the cards and win a point. If the cards don't match, turn them back over and continue.
The person with the most matching pairs at the end is the winner.

2. Wow Snap

Print two sets of cards per pair, e.g. two sets of picture cards.
Shuffle the cards.
Divide the cards into two piles (one per person).
Take it in turns to turn over a card to place on a middle pile.
If two of the same card are placed on the middle pile immediately after each other, the first person to shout 'Wow!' and put their hand on the middle pile wins the round and adds the middle pile to their cards.
The winner is the person who collects the most cards.

3. Wow Families

Print a set of word cards and shuffle together.
Deal the cards out so each person has five cards.
Take it in turns to ask each other questions e.g. 'Have you got 'mouth-watering?' If the answer is yes, they need to give the person the card. If not, the person whose turn it is takes a card from the pile to add to their hand.
The aim is to collect as many sets of cards from the same Wow lesson as possible. Alternatively, you can change what you consider a family e.g. words related to food, verbs, words beginning with a vowel...

4. What is the Wow?

Take it in turns to take a word card.
Without showing the other players, try to act/draw/explain the word without saying it.
The first person to guess the word wins a point.

5. Storyteller

Start telling a story.
Take it in turns to take a word card and add a sentence to the story containing the word.
Continue for as long as possible!
Try to make the story make some sense by using connecting words and phrases.
As an extension, you could write the story down after playing the game.

Food & Drink

mouth-watering	revolting	sour
spicy	bland	to gnaw
to slurp	to sample	to savour
	to devour	

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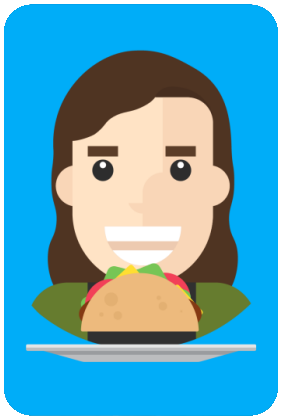

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Food that looks or smells delicious that you can't wait to eat.

Something that makes you feel sick when you think about it.

Food with a sharp, usually unpleasant taste, that may make your face screw up.

Food with a strong flavour of chilli that may burn your tongue.

Food that doesn't have much flavour.

To chew something hard for a long time.

To drink noisily.

To taste a small piece of food.

To take time to enjoy something fully.

To eat quickly (usually when you're very hungry).

Home, Time & Leisure

enormous	filthy	spacious
gleaming	cluttered	urban
rustic	lush	wooded
	grassy	

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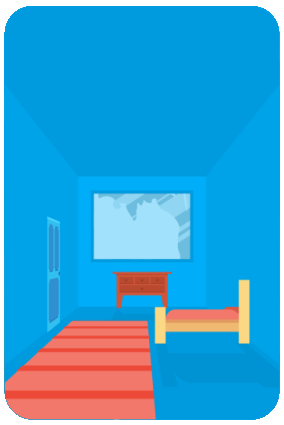

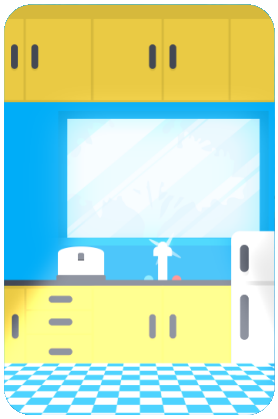

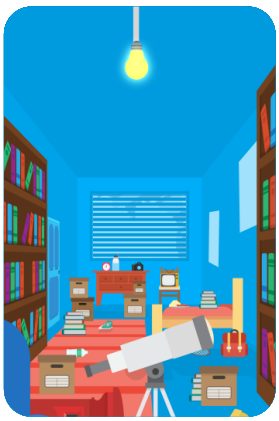

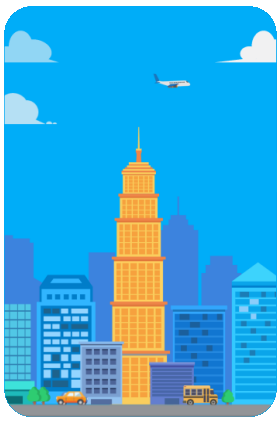

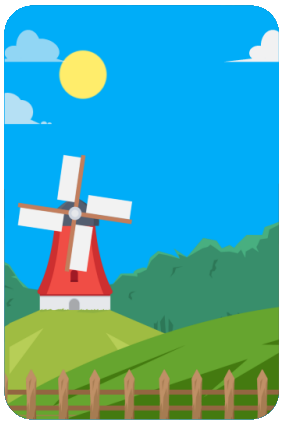

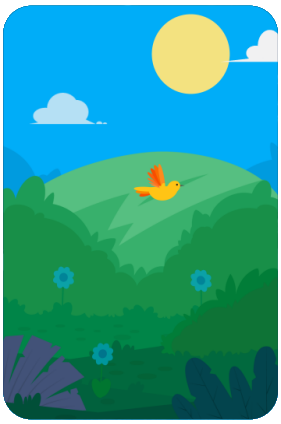

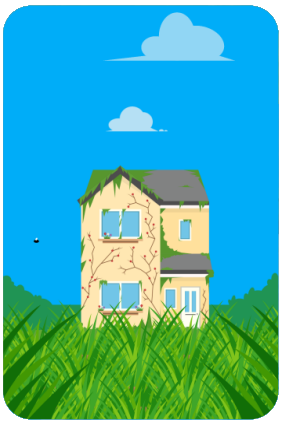

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Very big.	Very dirty and unpleasant.	Has lots of space to move around.
So clean that it could reflect light.	Without order; often not clean.	Related to the city.
Related to the countryside.	Covered in healthy-looking plants.	Covered in trees.
	Covered in grass.	

Holiday & Travel

majestic

ancient

colossal

ruined

multistorey

relaxation

adventure

water park

safari

farm stay

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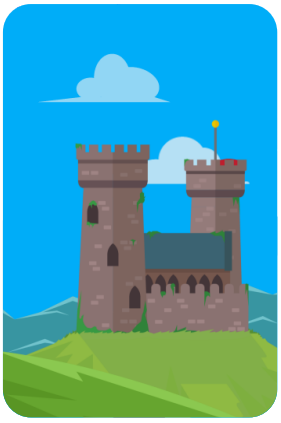

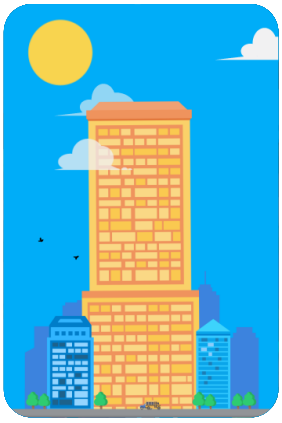

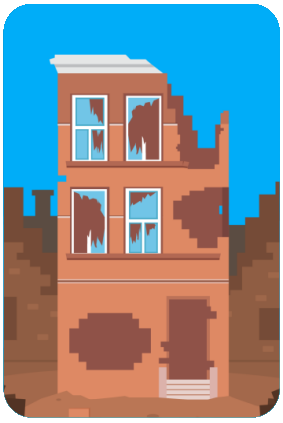

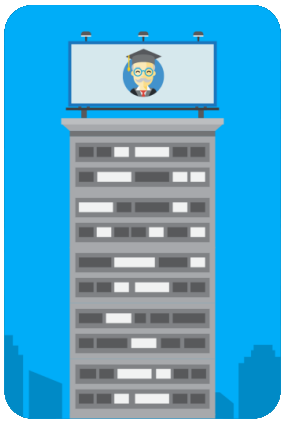

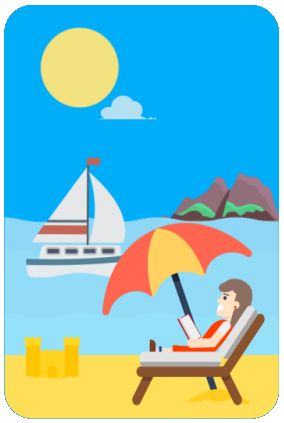

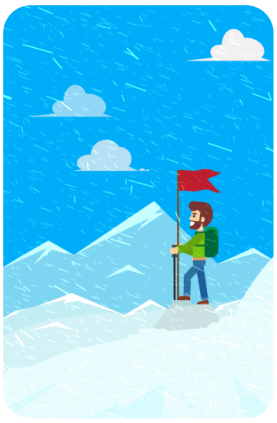

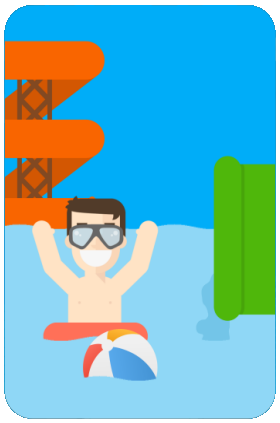

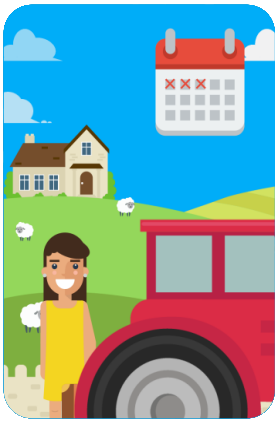

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Large and impressive.	Extremely old; from a long time ago.	Extremely big.
Damaged so only parts remain.	When a building has several floors.	A time when you rest and enjoy yourself.
An exciting event.	An amusement park with swimming pools and water slides.	A way to see wild animals in their natural environment.
	A short holiday on a farm.	

Shopping & Numbers

hand-knitted	stretchy	breathable
shaggy	crisp	glamorous
shabby	quirky	dapper
	casual	

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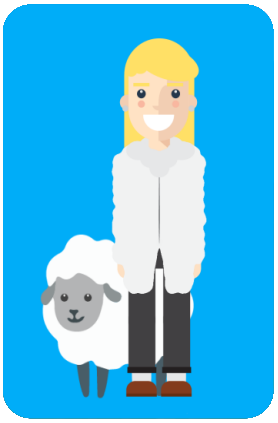

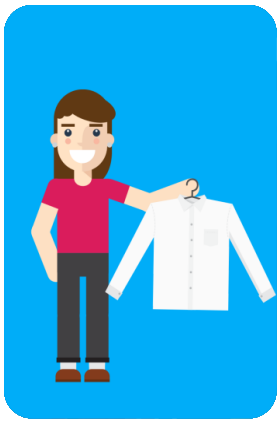

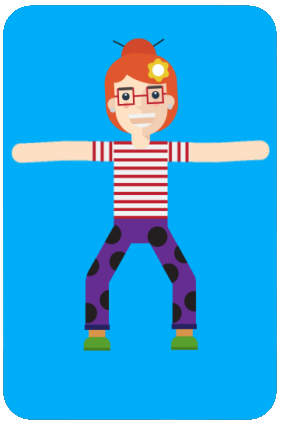

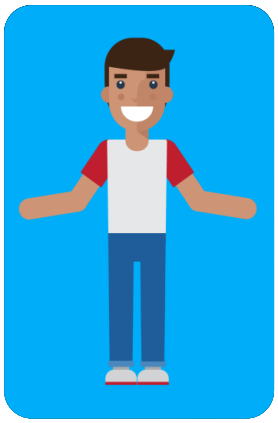

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Made with wool by hand.	Goes back to its original shape.	Lets air pass through.
Covered with long, messy hair.	Clean and slightly stiff with no folds.	Very attractive and exciting.
Looks a bit dirty and not very smart.	Slightly unusual or weird.	Dressed in smart or fancy clothes.
	Comfortable and informal.	

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Work & School

polite	chatty	sluggish
moody	amusing	creative
timid	ambitious	hard-working
	bookish	

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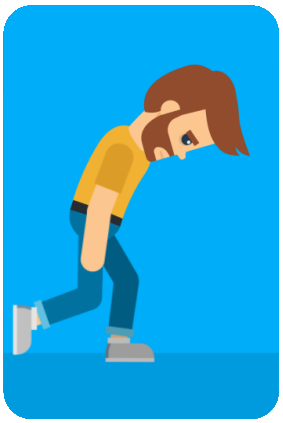

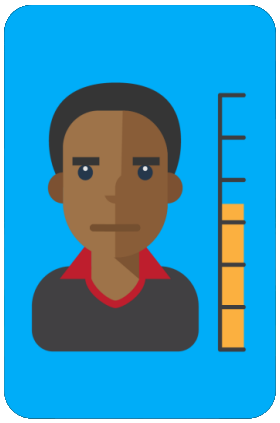

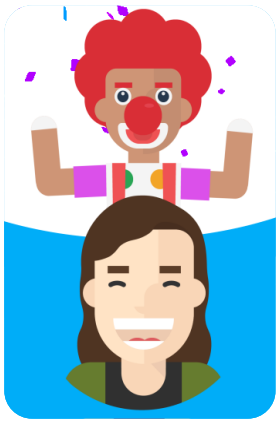

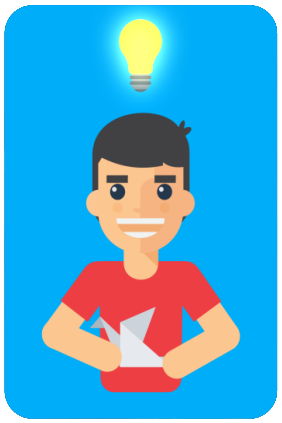

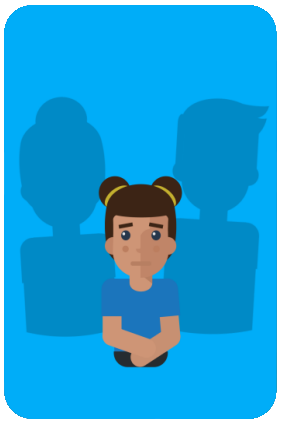

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Has good manners.	Talks a lot.	Moving more slowly than is ideal.
Has a bad temper and is not happy.	Makes you laugh.	Uses skill and imagination to create new things.
Easily scared or worried.	Has a strong desire to achieve goals.	Someone who tries their best and uses all their energy to complete work.
	Likes to read.	

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Nature & Society

breathtaking

haunted

calm

deserted

polluted

gusty

gloomy

scorching

showery

frosty

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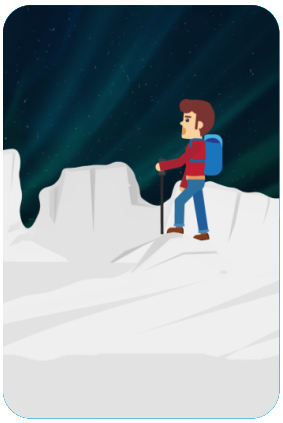

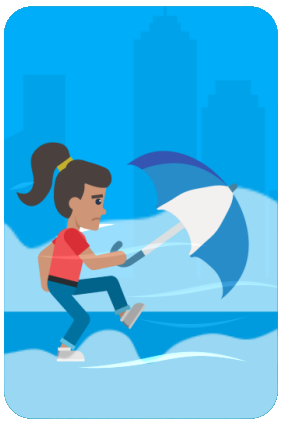

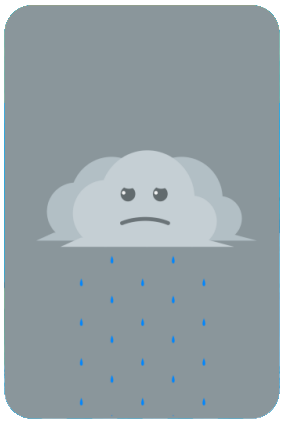

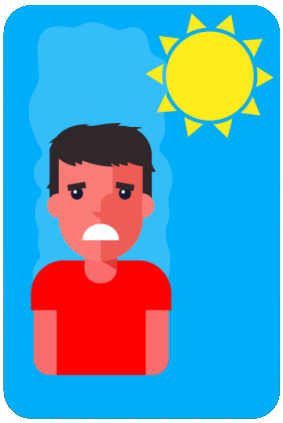

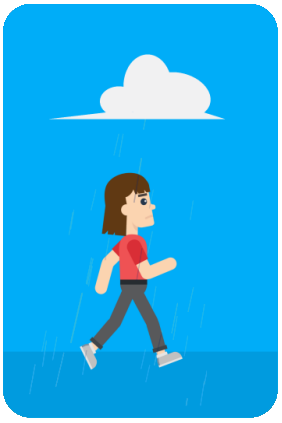

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Something impressive or amazing.	Lived in by ghosts.	Not excited, moving or noisy.
A place with no people in it.	Contains harmful substances such as waste or chemicals.	When the wind is blowing in strong blasts.
So dark that it makes you feel sad.	Extremely hot.	Weather when there are frequent bursts of rain.
	Extremely cold or icy.	

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Health & Body

delighted	grumpy	annoyed
exhausted	poorly	buff
petite	scrawny	plump
	slim	

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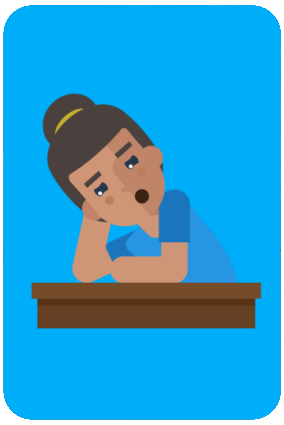

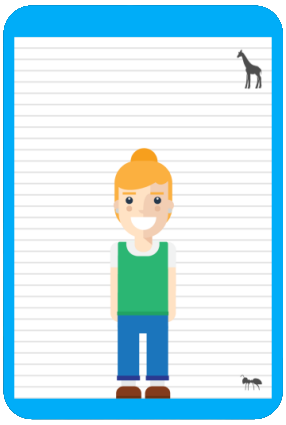

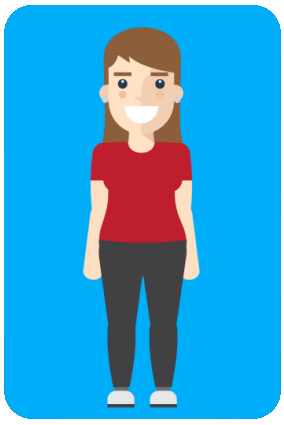

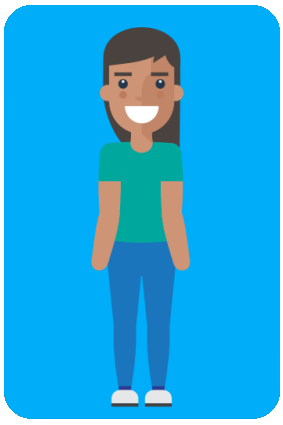

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Very happy.	In a bad mood.	A bit angry and upset.
Extremely tired.	Not feeling well.	Strong; someone who looks like they work out a lot.
Short; usually used to talk about women.	Thin in an unhealthy way.	Round, or a little bit fat.
	Thin in an attractive way.	

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WOW WORD WEB

Wow Words

Circle the type of word:

noun

verb

adjective

adverb

Picture:

Related words: What does it remind you of?

WOW WORD

_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _

Write a synonym:

Write an antonym:

Write it in a sentence:

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WOW WONDER CARDS

Wow Words

Find out the etymology (origin) of the Wow Word.

Write a sentence using two or more Wow Words.

Ask your friend a question using the Wow Word.

Find a word that rhymes with the Wow Word.

Write or tell a story using ten Wow Words.

Write or tell a story using five Wow Words.

Write an acrostic poem using a Wow Word.

Draw everything you can think of related to one Wow Word.

Ask your partner questions to guess their favourite Wow Word.

Write or say a conversation where every sentence contains a Wow Word.

Find and record five sentences using the WOW Word, using the Internet or books/newspapers.

Teach a family member one of the Wow Words.

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WORLD WIDE WOW

Wow Words

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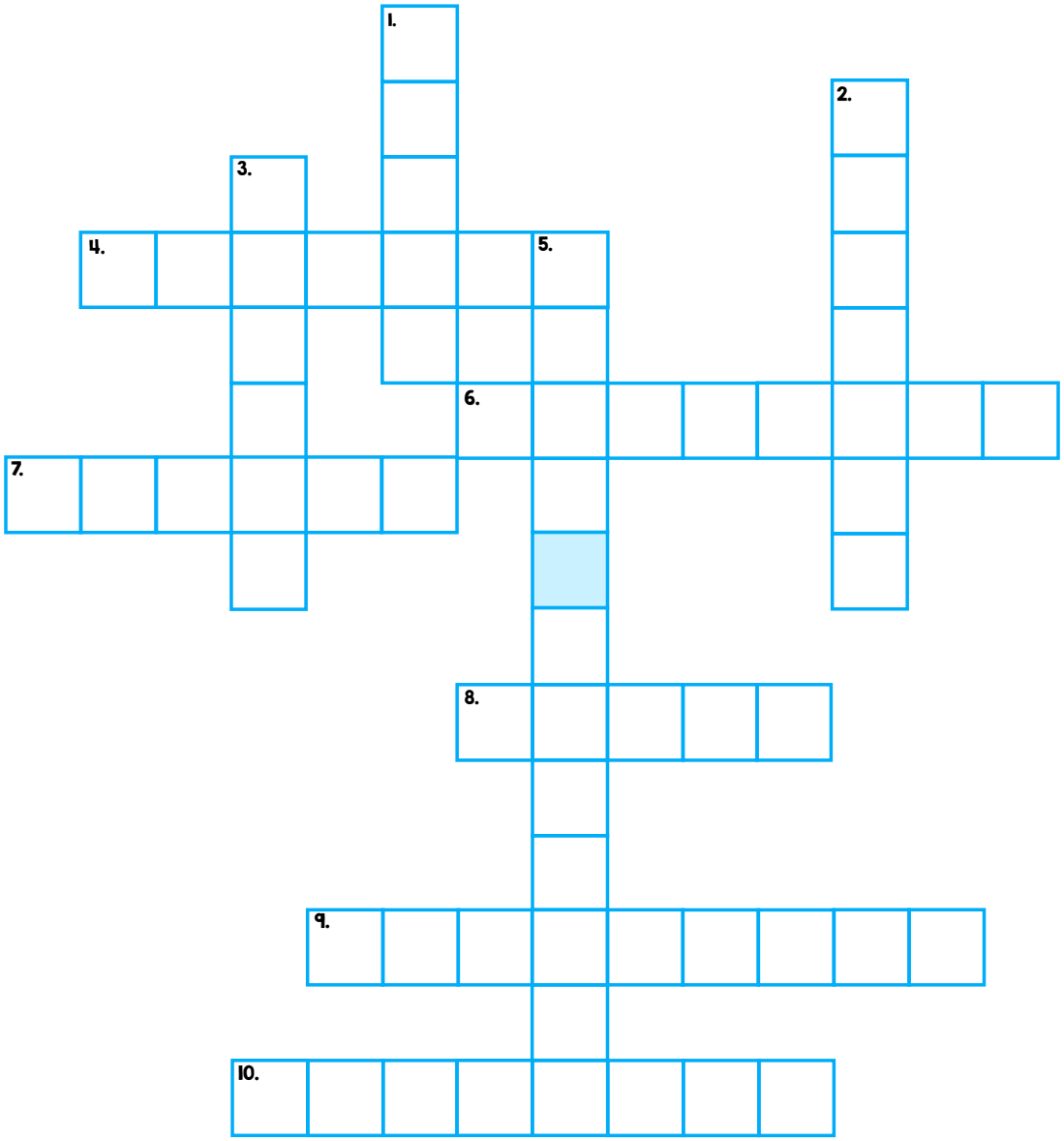
Wow Words - Work & School



Across

4. Likes to read.
6. Has lots of ideas and uses their imagination.
7. Talks a lot.
8. Not happy; similar to grumpy.
9. Has goals to achieve.
10. Moving very slowly.

Down

1. Shy.
2. Funny.
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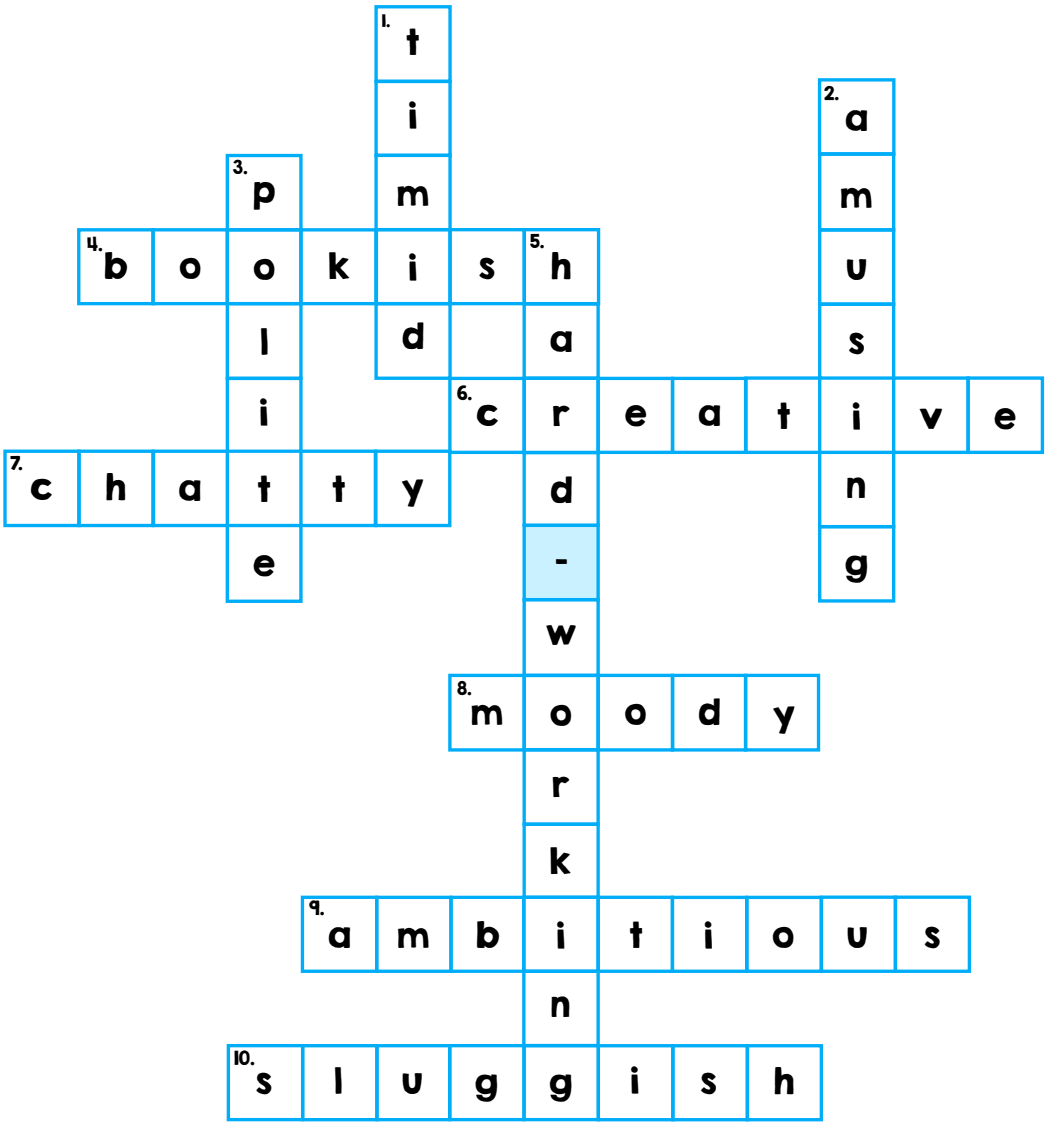

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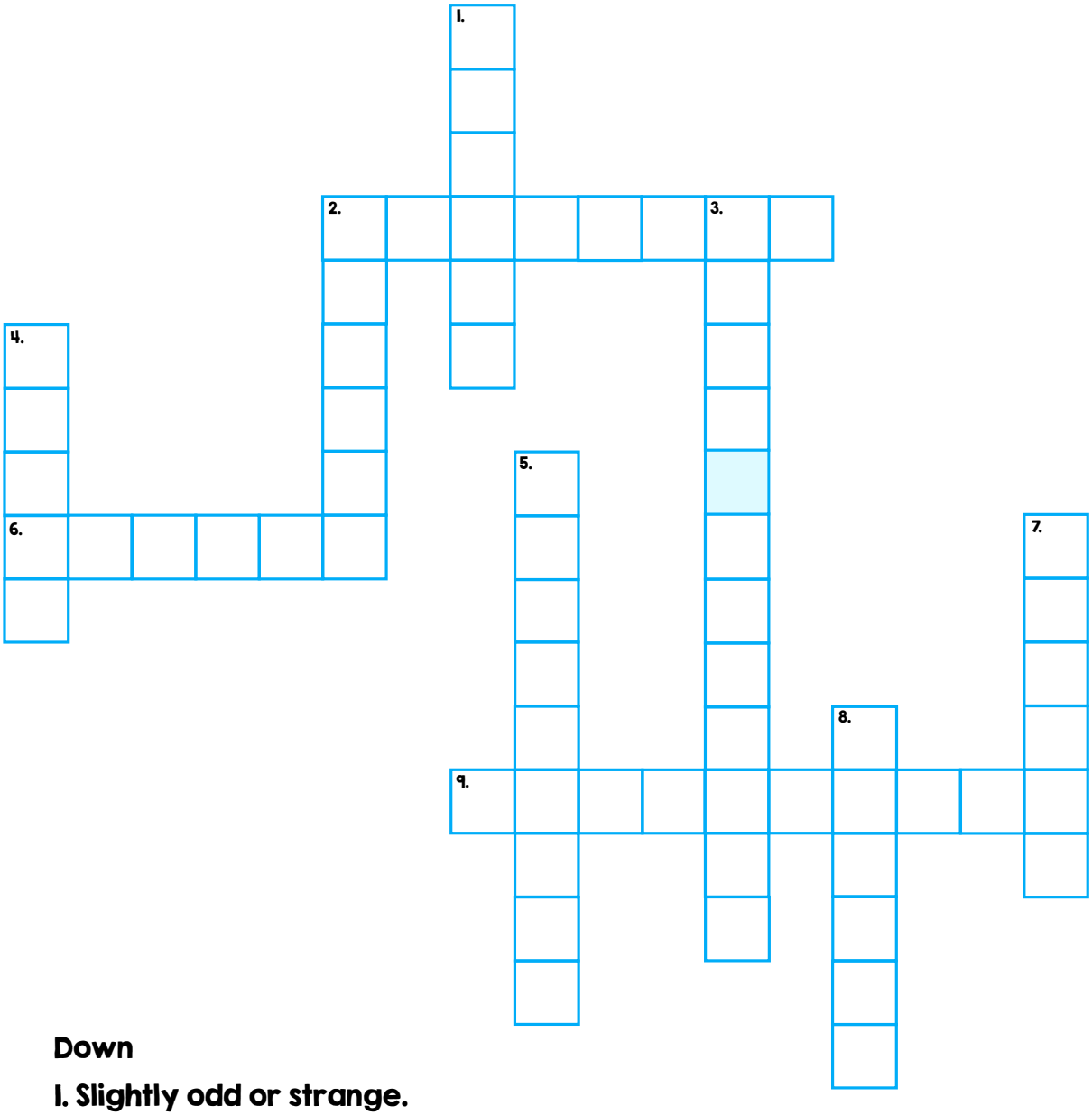

Down

1. Slightly odd or strange.
2. Adjective to describe a dog with long, messy fur.
3. Made of wool.
4. When you iron a shirt, it is...
5. Celebrities on the red carpet usually look...
7. Smart and stylish.
8. The opposite of formal.

Across

2. Leggings are made of this type of material.
6. Adjective to describe old clothes.
9. If you're hot, it's good to wear this type of clothes.

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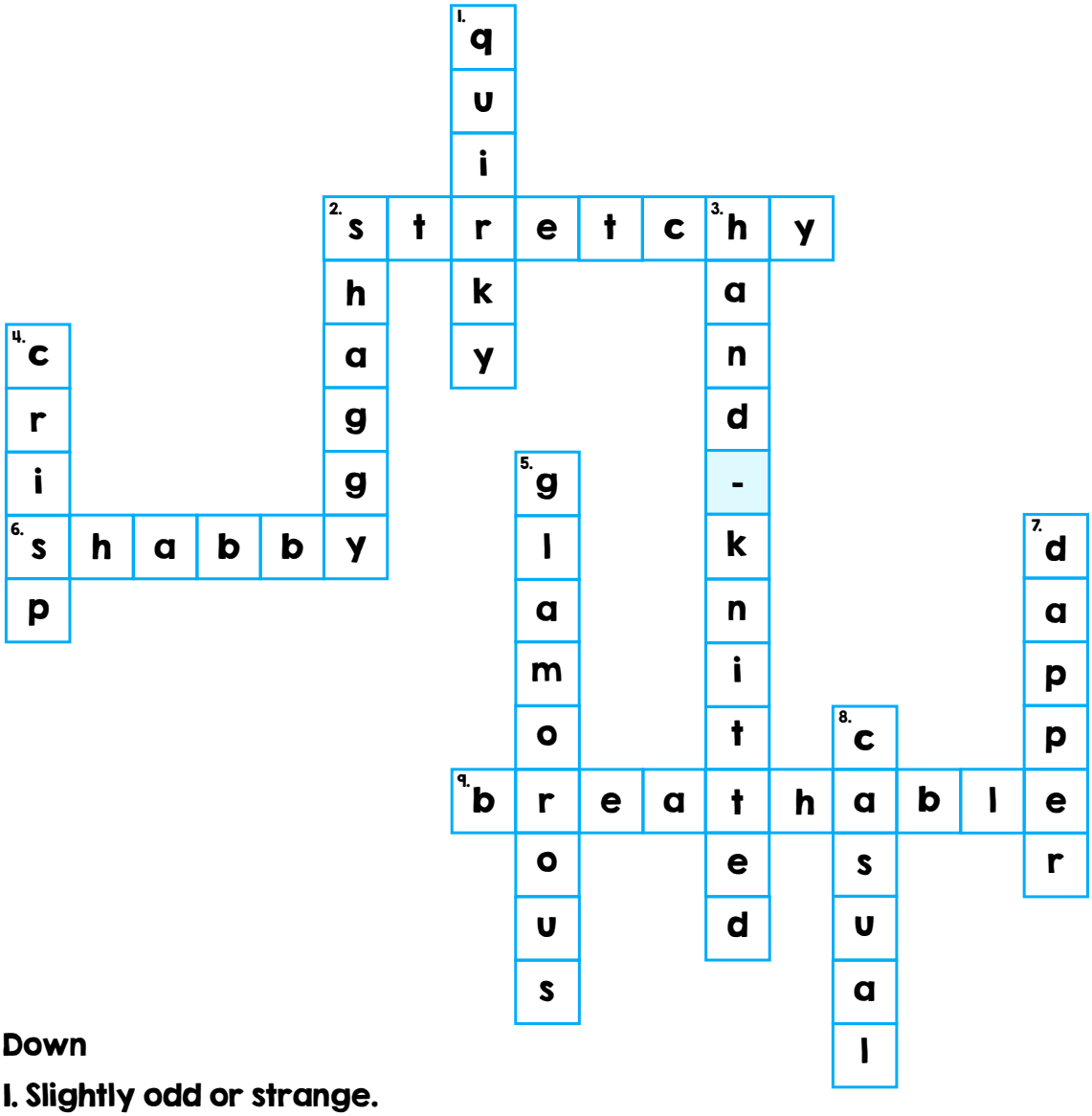

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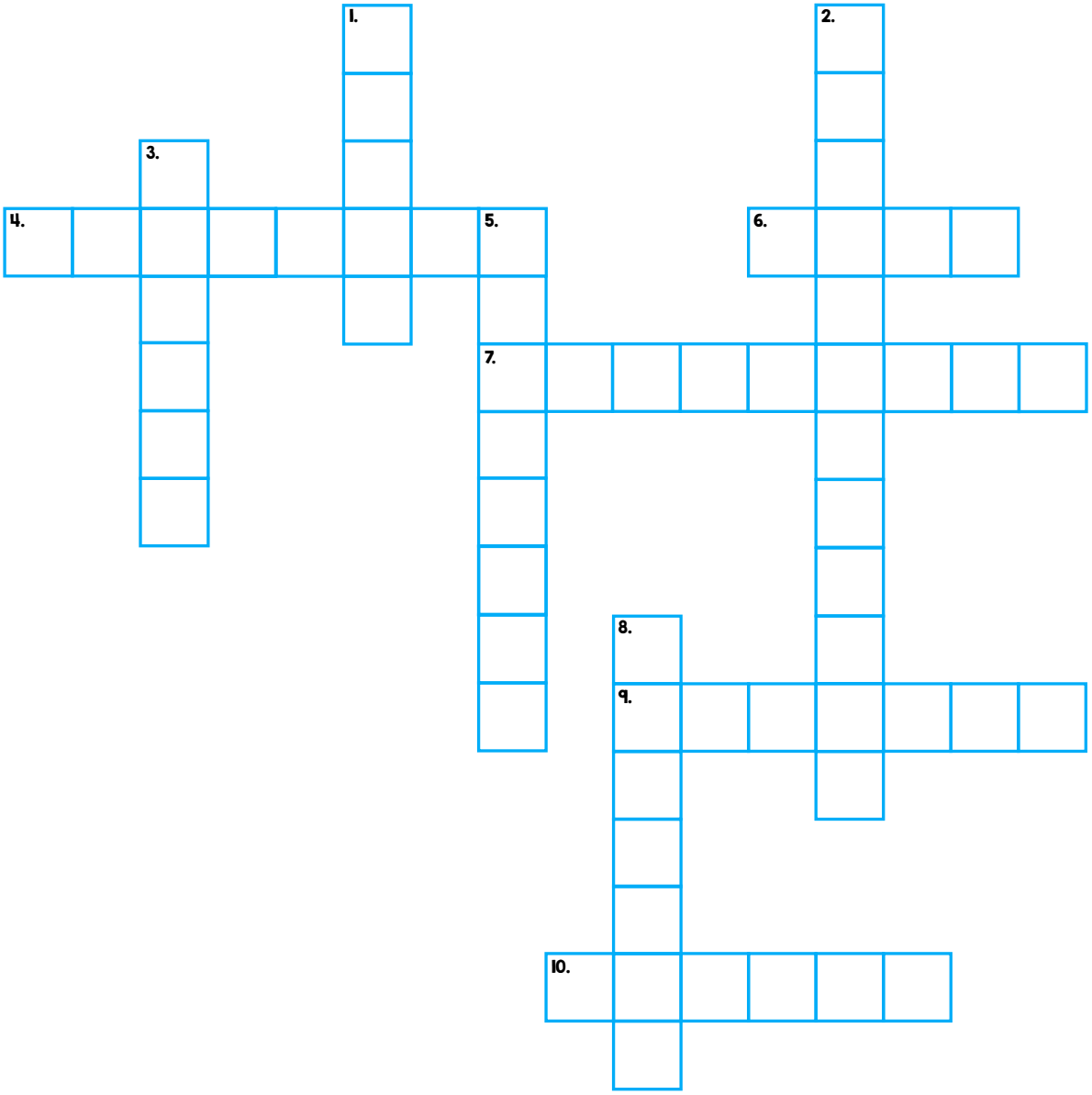

Across

4. The Earth's atmosphere is ..... by humans.
6. Peaceful; not loud or busy.
7. Extremely hot.
9. Scary; there might be ghosts.
10. Cold and icy.

Down

1. Windy.
2. Amazing.
3. Dark and miserable.
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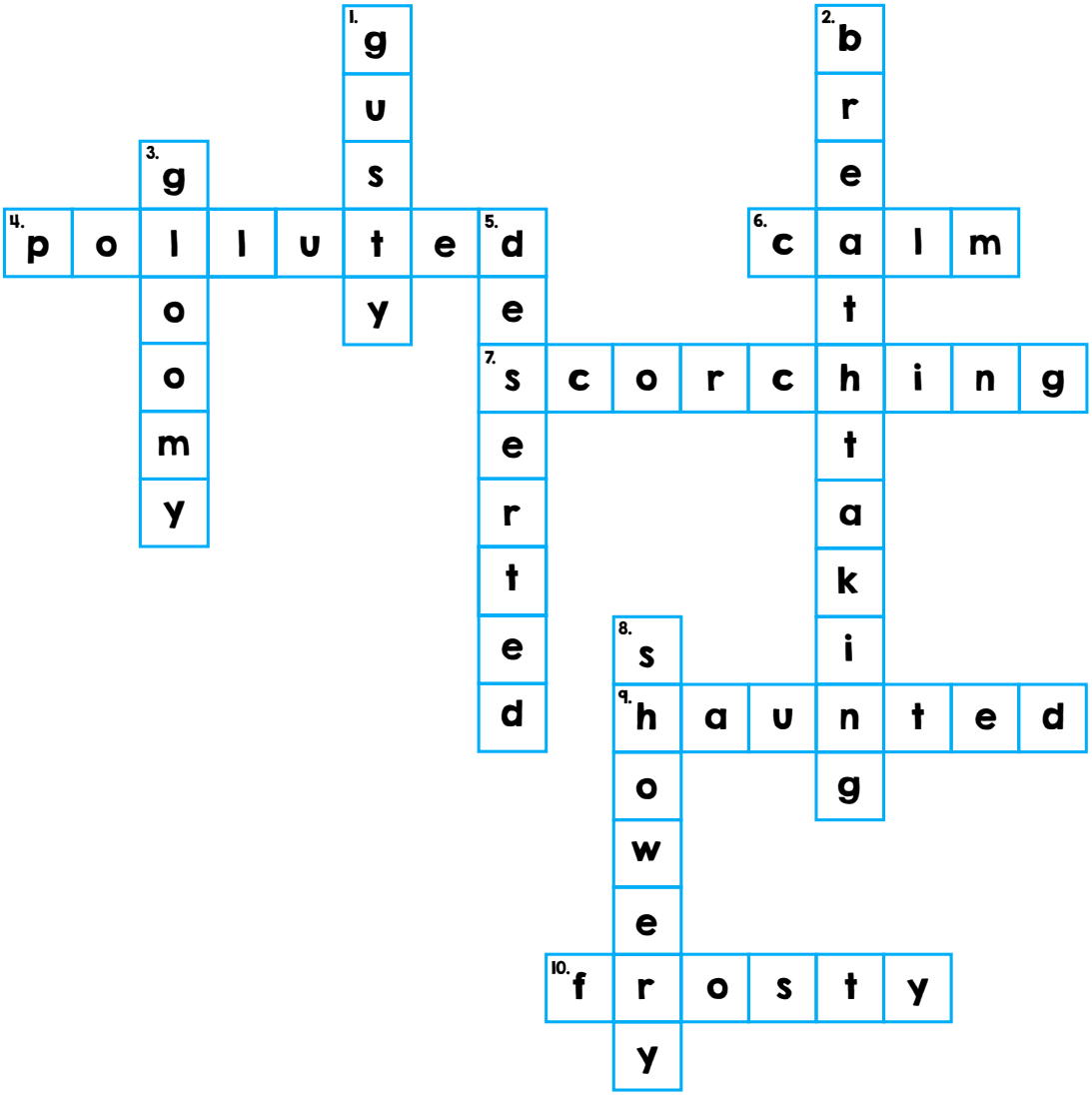

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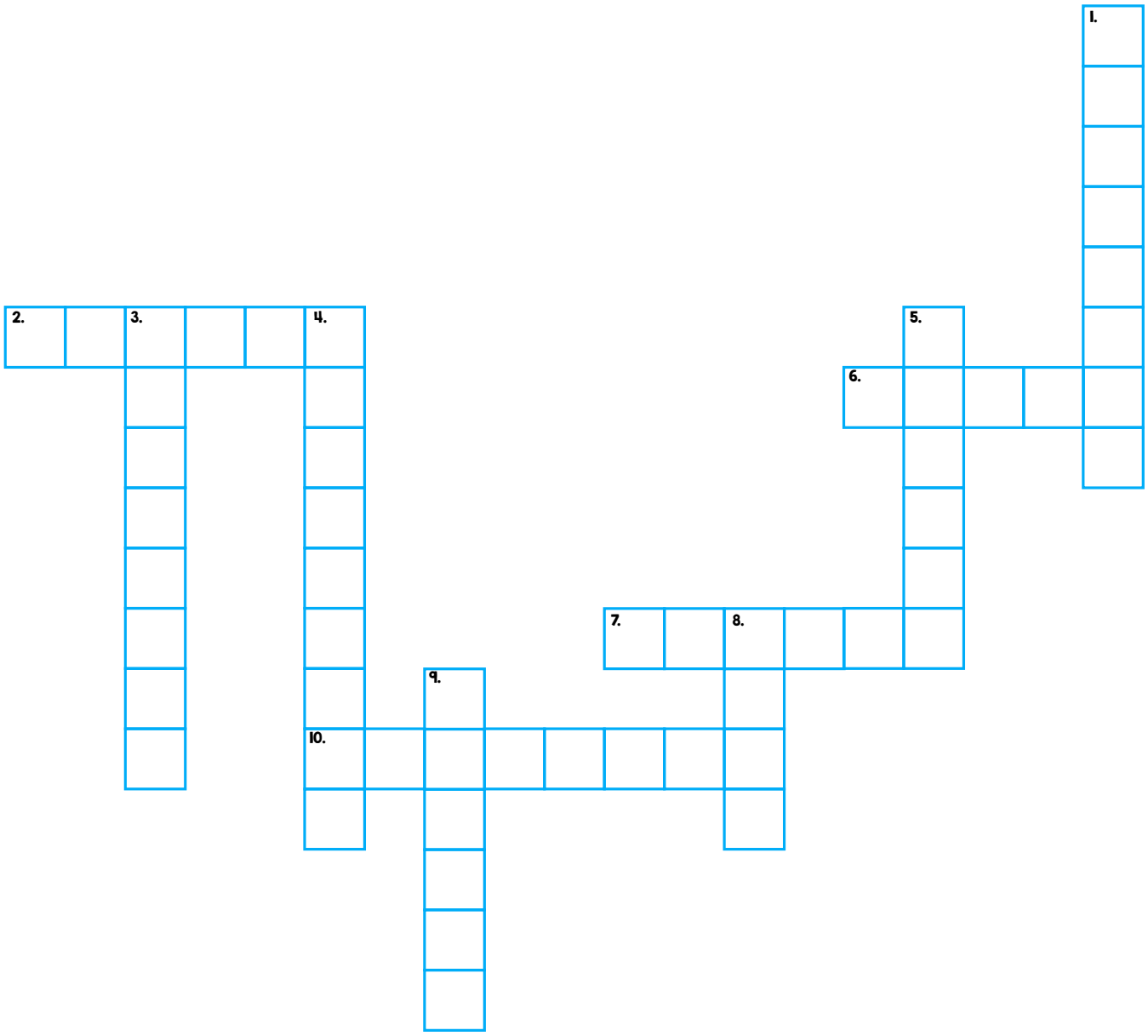
Wow Words - Home, Time & Leisure



Across

2. Related to the countryside.
6. Related to the city.
7. Very dirty.
10. Very big e.g. elephant

Down

1. Extremely clean or shiny.
3. Very big e.g. sports hall.
4. A bit messy/disorganised
5. Adjective to describe a hill.
8. Green grass and healthy plants are...
9. A forest is this type of area.

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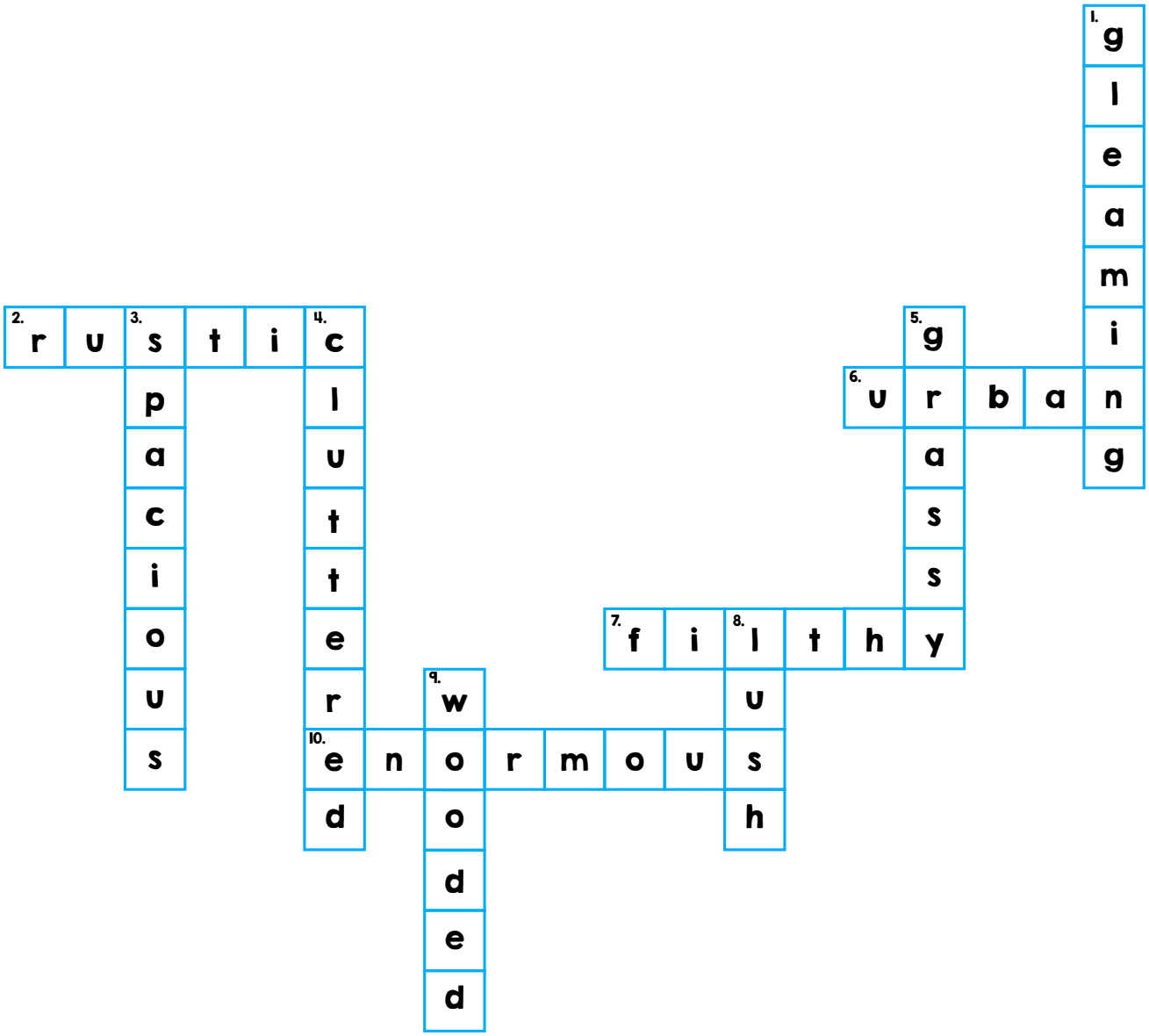

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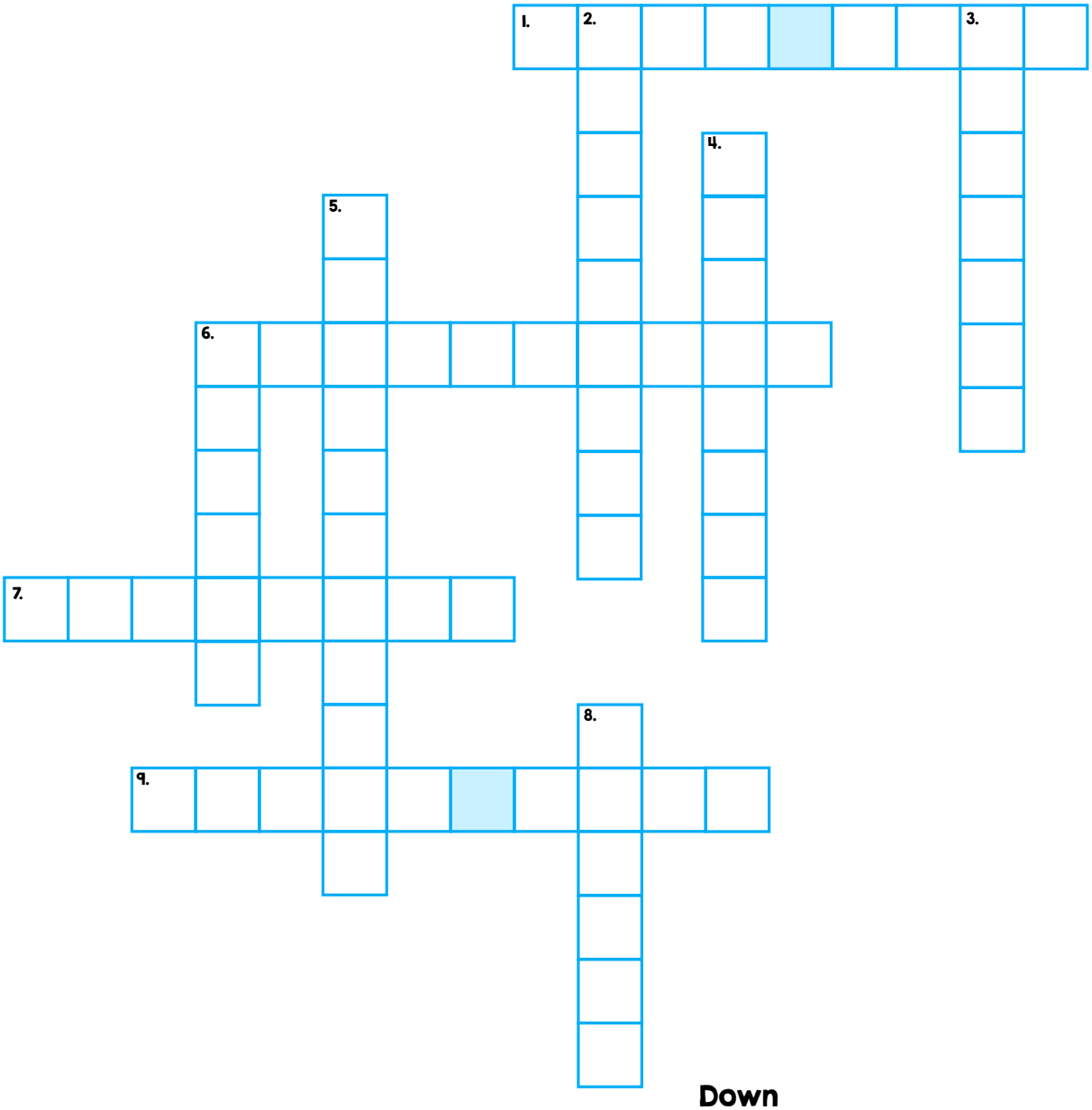

Across

1. A place where you can feed pigs and see goats.
6. When you are stressed you should do this.
7. You could describe a lion as this.
9. A place with swimming pools and slides.

Down

2. A trip to the moon would be an...
3. Extremely old.
4. Extremely big.
5. A car park with lots of floors is...
6. Adjective which could describe very old buildings.
8. A place where you can see zebras and giraffes.

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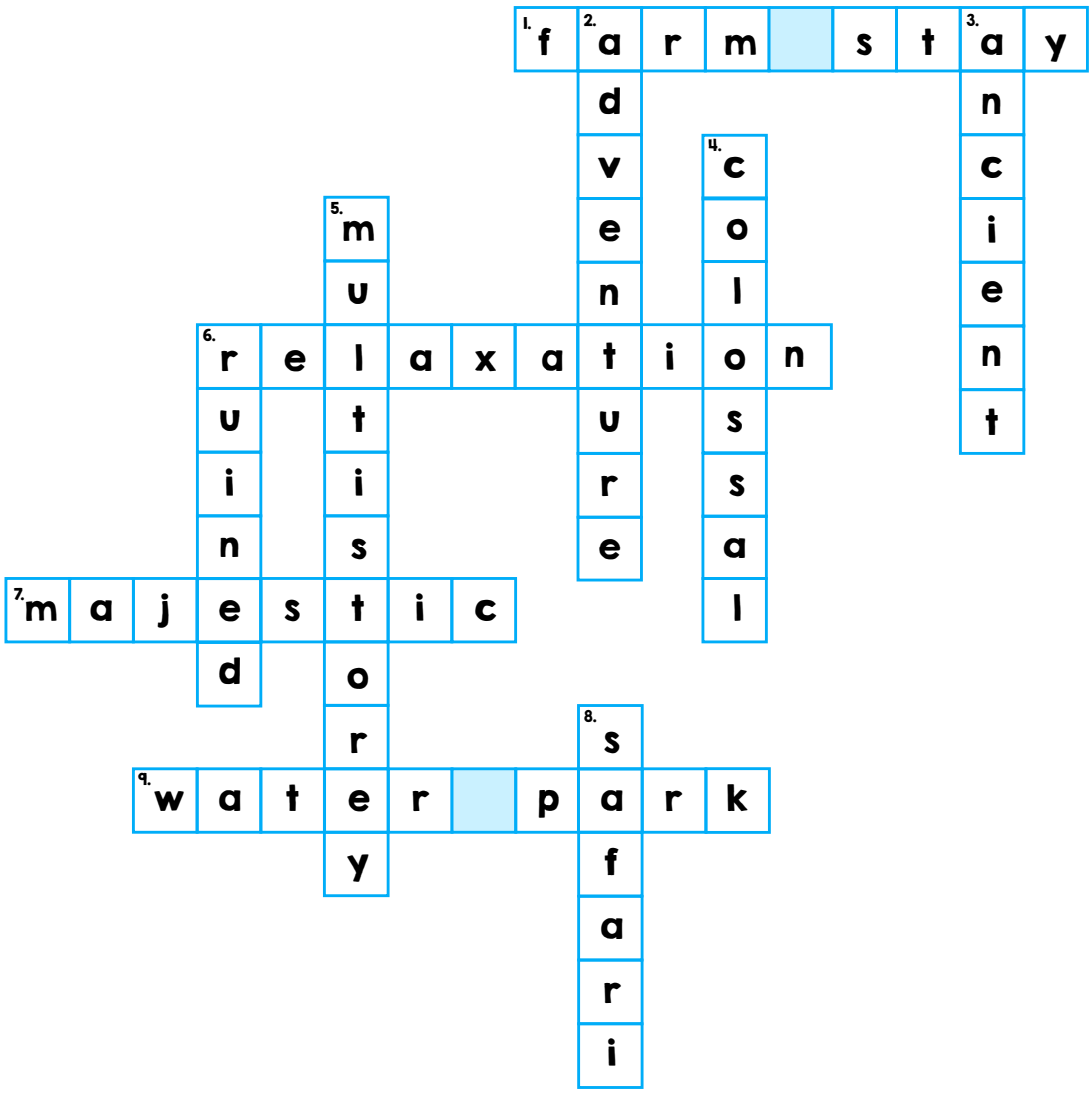

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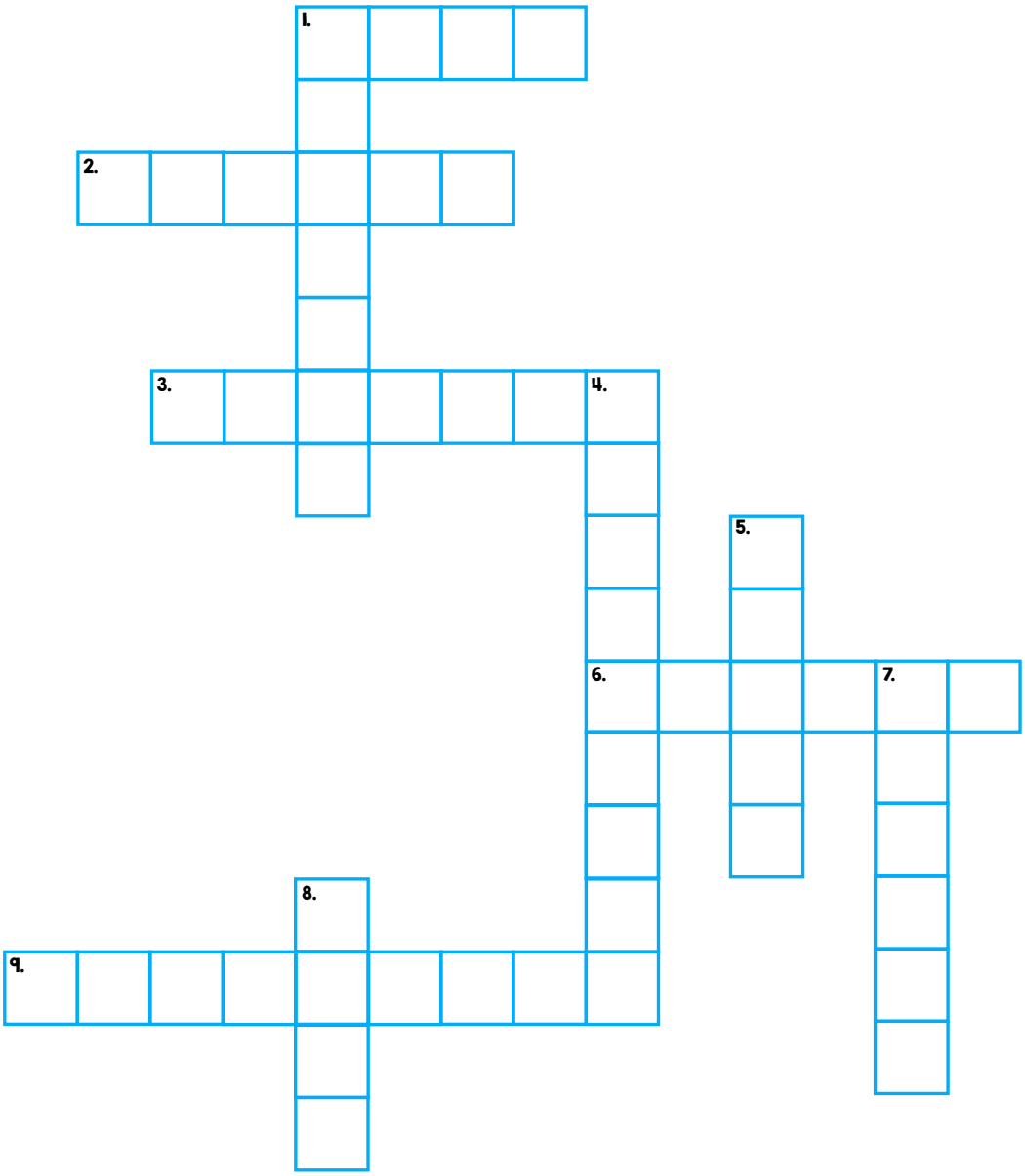

Across

1. A polite way to say 'thin'.
2. Not feeling well.
3. Not happy; slightly angry.
6. In a bad mood.
9. Extremely tired.

Down

1. Not very muscly; only skin and bones.
4. Very happy.
5. A little bit fat.
8. Has lots of muscle; very fit.
7. Little/short.

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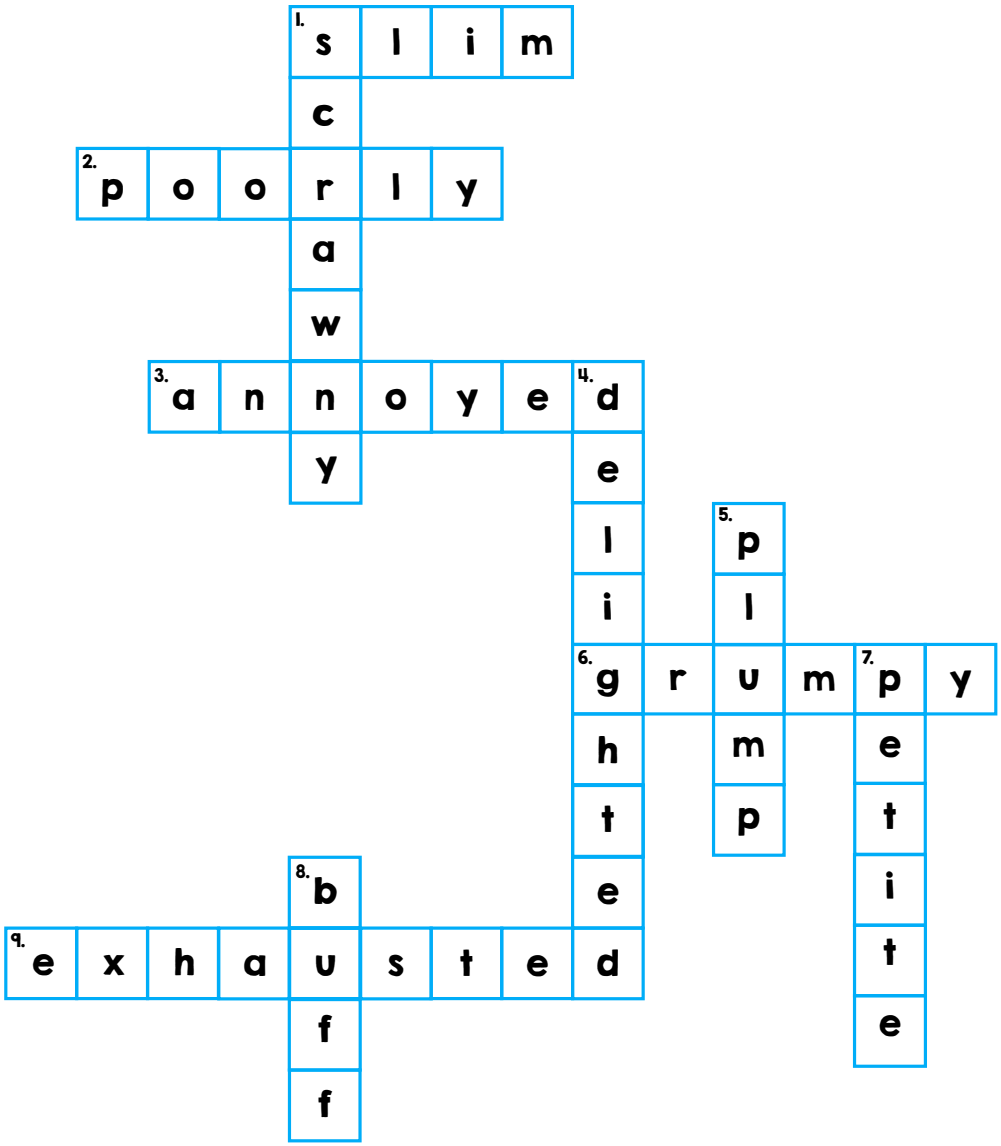
Answers



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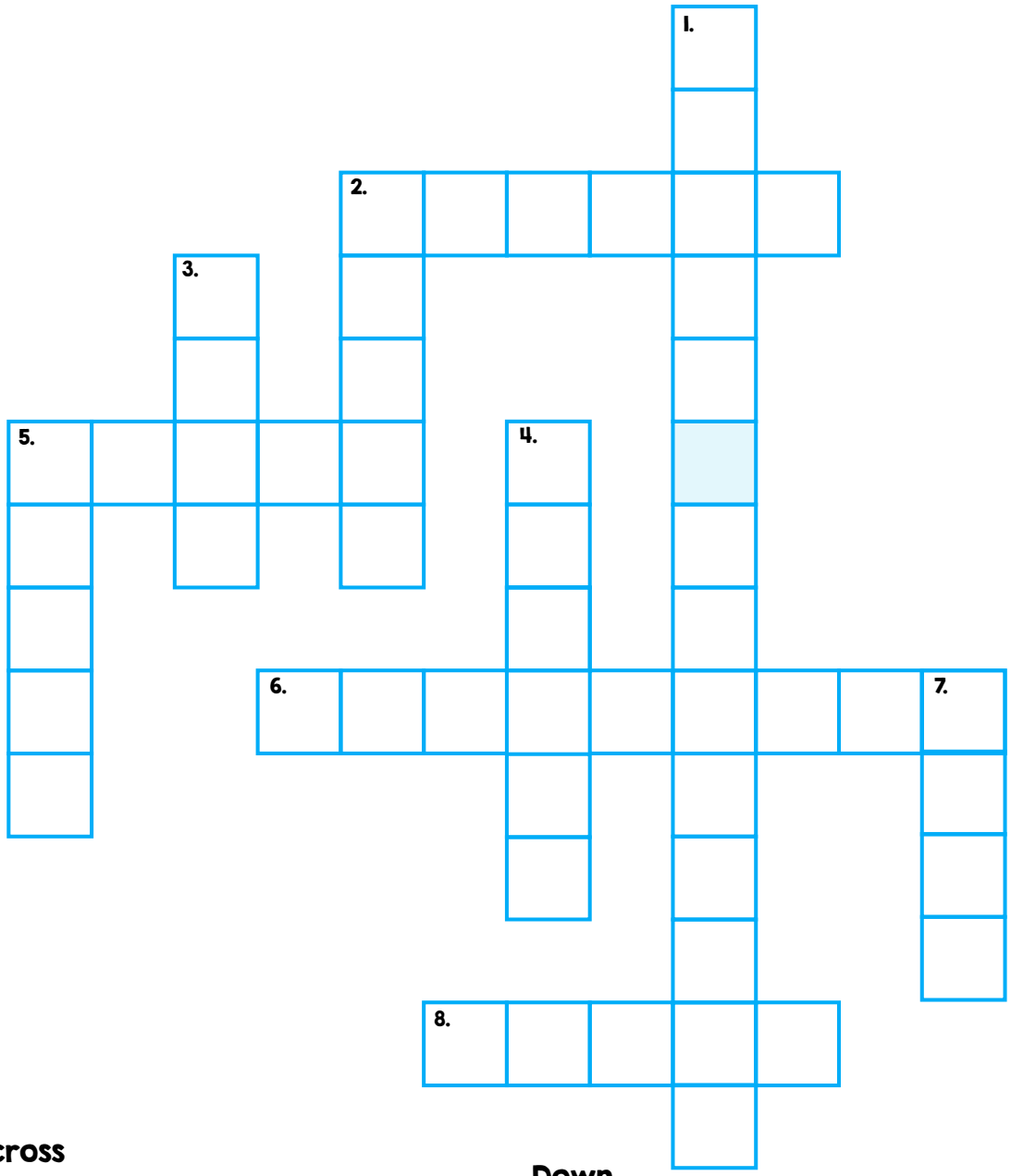

Across

2. When you take your time to eat something.
5. A loud way to eat soup.
6. Disgusting.
8. Pasta with no sauce tastes like this.

Down

1. Very delicious
2. When you only try a little bit of something.
3. Lemons taste like this.
4. When you eat something super quickly.
5. Hot sauce tastes like this.
7. The way a dog eats a bone.

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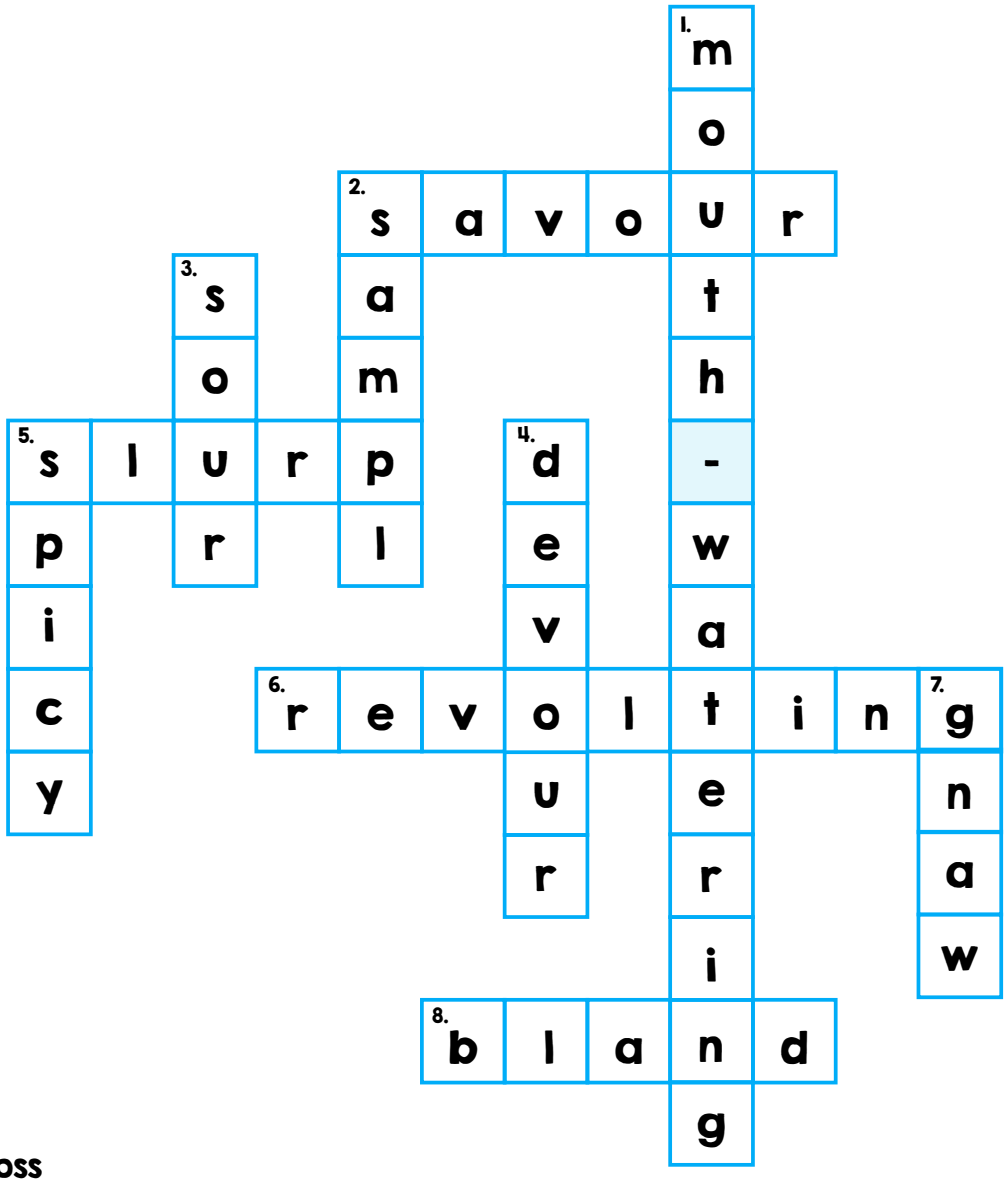

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