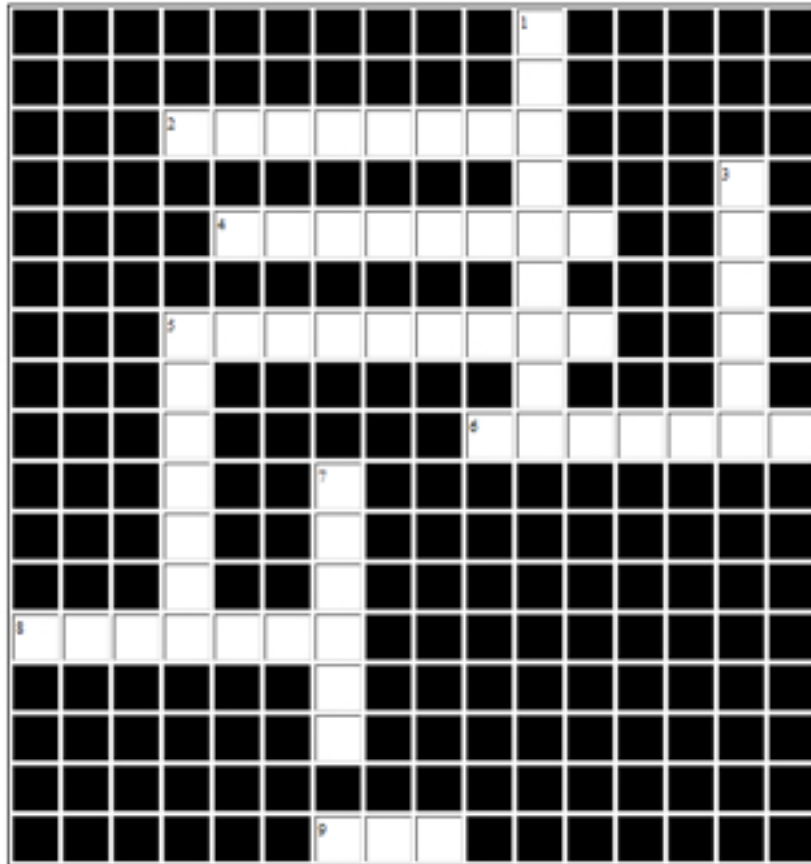


Dinosaur Crossword Puzzle

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Across

- Any of various extinct, often gigantic, carnivorous or herbivorous reptiles
- Of or belonging to the geologic time, rock series, or sedimentary deposits of the second period of the Mesozoic Era, in which dinosaurs continued to be the dominant land fauna and the earliest birds appeared.
- The process by which one type of organism changes, over an extended period of time, into another type of organism. The two main components of biological evolution are genetic mutation and natural selection.
- Any of various cold-blooded, usually egg-laying vertebrates of the class Reptilia, such as a snake, lizard, crocodile, turtle, or dinosaur, having an external covering of scales or horny plates and breathing by means of lungs.
- Small- to medium-sized, bipedal carnivores equipped with grasping, three-fingered hands and relatively big brains. Raptors (technically known as dromaeosaurs, Greek for "running lizards") had huge, solitary claws on each of their hind feet, which they probably used to slash prey.
- The round or oval female reproductive body of various animals, including birds, reptiles, amphibians, fishes, and insects, consisting usually of an embryo surrounded by nutrient material and a protective covering.

Down

- An animal that eats only plants, fruits, nuts, or other vegetable matter. Most dinosaurs were herbivores, and were preyed on in turn by a smaller number of carnivorous dinosaurs.
- Any of various warm-blooded vertebrate animals of the class Mammalia, including humans, characterized by a covering of hair on the skin and, in the female, milk-producing mammary glands for nourishing the young.
- No longer existing or living
- Any record of prehistoric life that has been preserved down to the present day. Most dinosaur fossils consist of skeletons, but researchers sometimes find fossilized viscera, eggs, or coprolites.