



# Crossword Puzzle

Level III—Grades 6-8

## DOWN

1. California condors are on the \_\_\_\_\_ species list.
3. Area in the lower throat of many birds where food is temporarily stored.
5. Any animal eaten by a predator.
7. Lifting and shaking feathers.
9. An area that an animal defends and the place it finds food and water and raises its young.
11. Predatory birds with excellent eyesight, powerful feet and a hooked, curved upper beak. (3 words)
13. When a raptor wants to hide food, it will \_\_\_\_\_ over it.
15. An animal that hunts other animals for food.
17. A community of living things and their environment.
19. The way a bird cleans and aligns its feathers by using its beak.
21. The name of a powerful insecticide that almost caused the extinction of the Peregrine falcon.
23. The environment in which a plant or animal lives.
25. Active at night.
27. The carcass of a dead animal.
29. On a bird of prey in captivity, a leash is attached to these. (3 words)
31. A group of mammals often preyed upon by raptors.

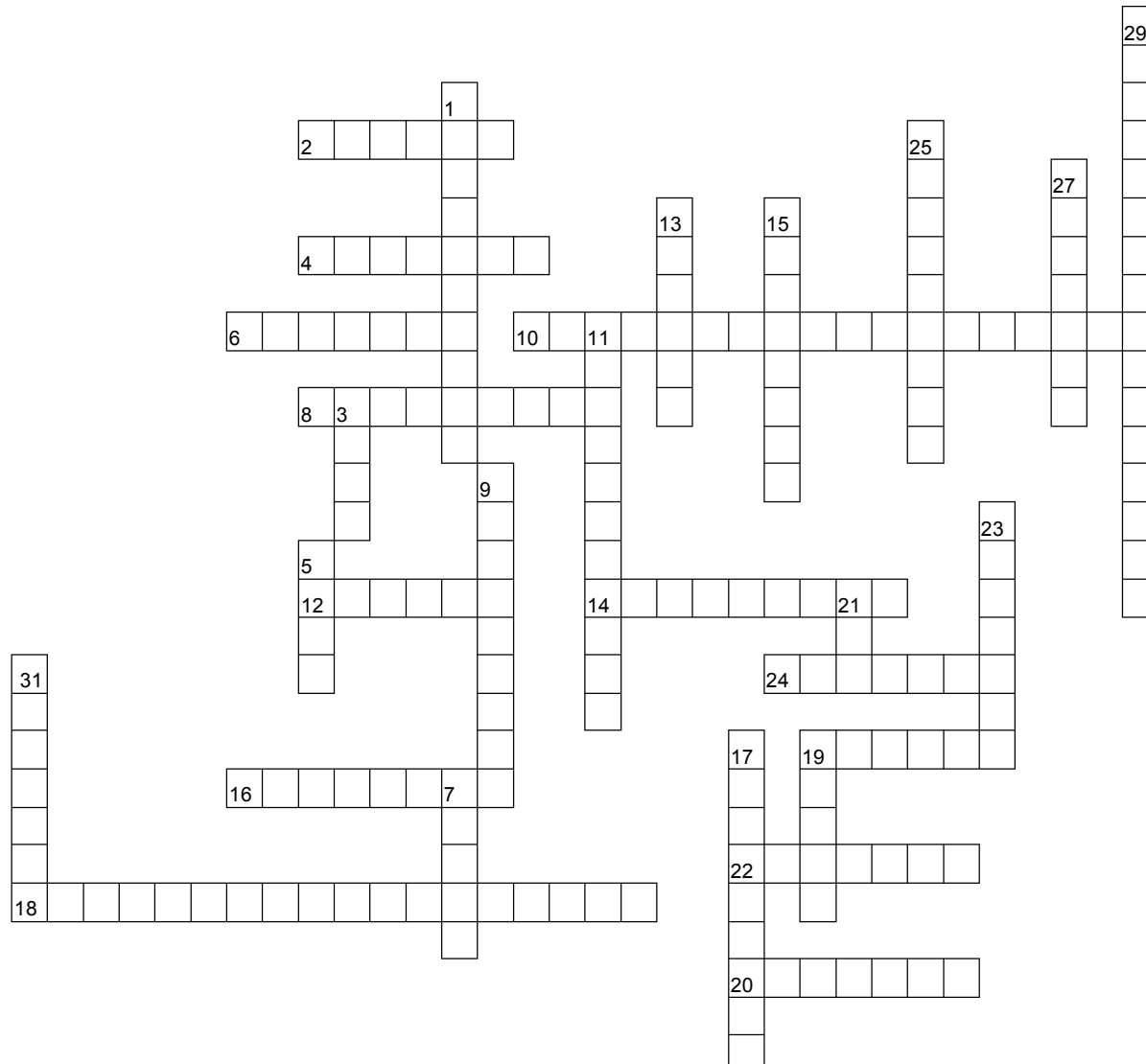
## ACROSS

2. Another name for the claws of a bird of prey.
4. Active during the day.
6. To fly a long distance seasonally.
8. An animal that eats dead animals.
10. The number one cause for worldwide decline of wildlife.
12. A bird of prey is also called a \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Any chemical used for killing rodents and insects.
16. An ancient hunting sport using a trained raptor.
19. Indigestible fur and bones are coughed up as a \_\_\_\_\_.
18. The poisoning of an animal, other than the target pest, through consumption of the targeted pest.
20. An ascending current of air caused by heat.
22. A taxonomic category.
24. Completely gone.

*Let Your Spirit Take Wing!*

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