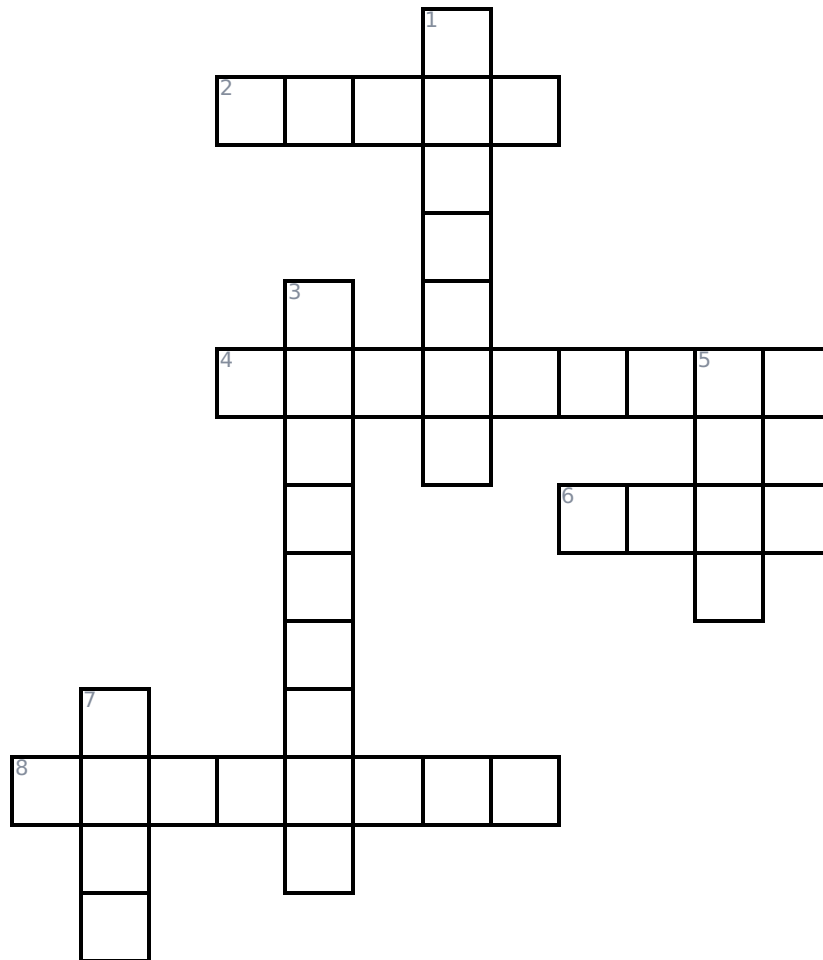


After Dark: Poems about Nocturnal Animals: Criss Cross

Answer clues based on the content and vocabulary words from After Dark: Poems about Nocturnal Animals by David L. Harrison. Look for hints in the Word Bank. Print the puzzle or use it on your tablet, phone, or computer.



Across

- 2.** a small black-and-white North American animal that produces a very strong and unpleasant smell when it is frightened or in danger
- 4.** a soft, gentle light that comes from the moon at night
- 6.** the time of day when sunlight first begins to appear
- 8.** Someone who protects from harm or guards

Down

- **1.** very old or having lived or existed for a very long time
- **3.** a small animal that has very stiff, sharp parts (called quills) all over its body
- **5.** to utter or make a long, loud, sad sound like that of a wolf or dog
- **7.** a place where an animal or insect lives and usually lays eggs or takes care of its young

Word Bank

NEST
PORCUPINE

DEFENDER
SKUNK

MOONLIGHT
ANCIENT

HOWL
DAWN

Answer Key

