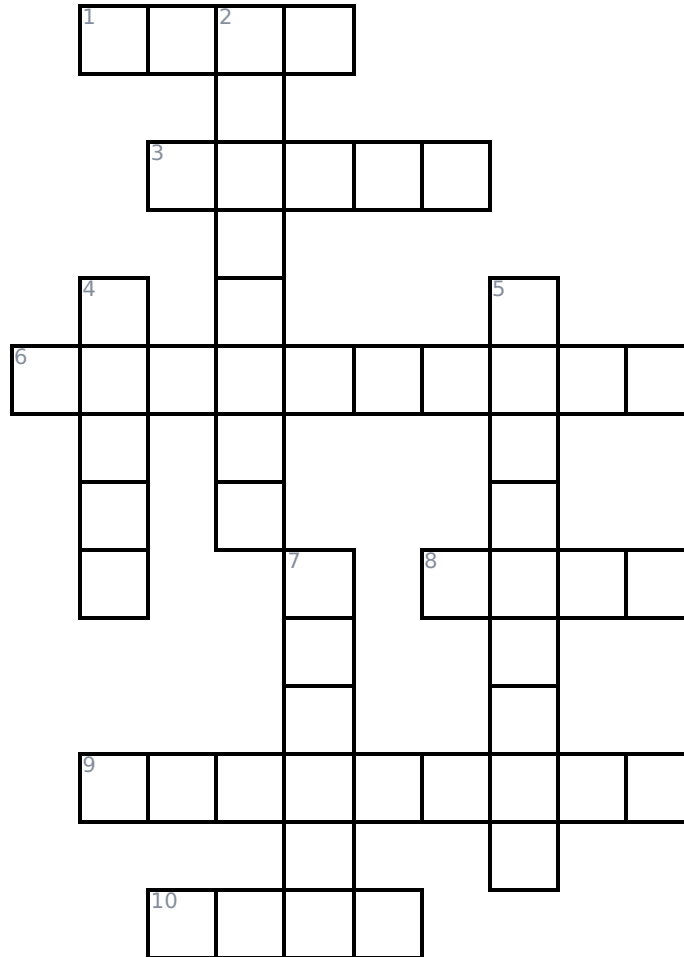


## National Geographic Readers: Meteors: Criss Cross

Answer clues based on the content and vocabulary words from National Geographic Readers: Meteors. Look for hints in the Word Bank. Print the puzzle or use on your tablet, phone, or computer.



## Across

1. As a space rock rubs against gases in the atmosphere, it creates \_\_\_.
3. \_\_\_ meteorites are the most common meteorites on Earth.
6. Every day, thousands of small space rocks enter Earth's \_\_\_.
8. \_\_\_, found in Namibia, is the largest known meteorite in the world.
9. A \_\_\_ is a space rock that lands on Earth, another planet, or the moon.
10. Earth's closest planetary neighbors are Venus and \_\_\_.

## Down

- 2. An \_\_\_ is a space rock that's larger than a meteoroid but smaller than a planet.
- 4. Some people call meteors "shooting \_\_\_."
- 5. A small rocky object in space or the atmosphere is called a \_\_\_.
- 7. The streak of light produced as a meteoroid burns up in the atmosphere is called a \_\_\_.

## Word Bank

ATMOSPHERE

HEAT

MARS

METEOROID

METEORITE

ASTEROID

METEOR

STONY

STARS

HOBA

# Answer Key

