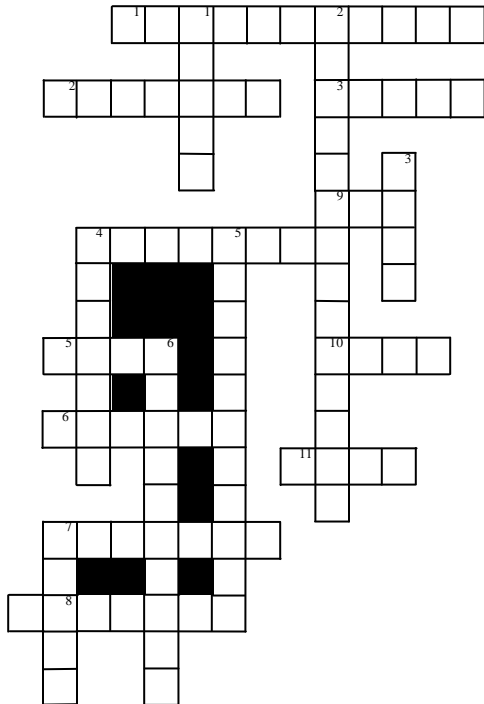


CENTRAL TEXAS ANIMALS  
CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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ACROSS

1. The smallest type of bird in the world. This bird must eat every 10 to 15 minutes.
2. A large bird which eats dead animals and lays its eggs on the ground.
3. The bald \_\_\_\_\_ is the national emblem for the United States.
4. This mammal runs through trees. It has strong, tough teeth; large eyes; and sharp claws.
5. A large black bird whose call is a harsh *caw*.
6. A smart animal with a dog-like body whose voice fills the night sky.
7. An aggressive bird with bright blue, black and white colors.
8. This black bird has yellow eyes and makes a sound like a creaking gate.
9. This insect has a queen, workers, and drones living together.
10. The eyes of this raptor (bird of prey) are believed to be the sharpest of any animal.
11. A plump bird with a small head and a low *cooing* voice.

DOWN

1. A small mammal who eats and damages large amounts of human food.
2. A large bird with a long neck, legs, and beak. This bird uses its beak like a sword.
3. Male members of this animal grow antlers during the breeding season.
4. A small bird who scrapes the ground with its feet to uncover seeds.
5. This animal makes a loud buzzing sound with its tail.
6. A family of birds who use their bills to drill holes in the bark of trees.
7. Ducks, sparrows, eagles, and woodpeckers are all examples of \_\_\_\_\_.

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ANSWER KEY

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1. MOUSE
2. GREAT BLUE HERON
3. DEER
4. SPARROW
5. RATTLESNAKE
6. WOODPECKER
7. BIRDS

ACROSS

1. HUMMINGBIRD
2. VULTURE
3. EAGLE
4. SQUIRREL
5. CROW
6. COYOTE
7. BLUE JAY
8. GRACKLE
9. BEE
10. HAWK
11. DOVE