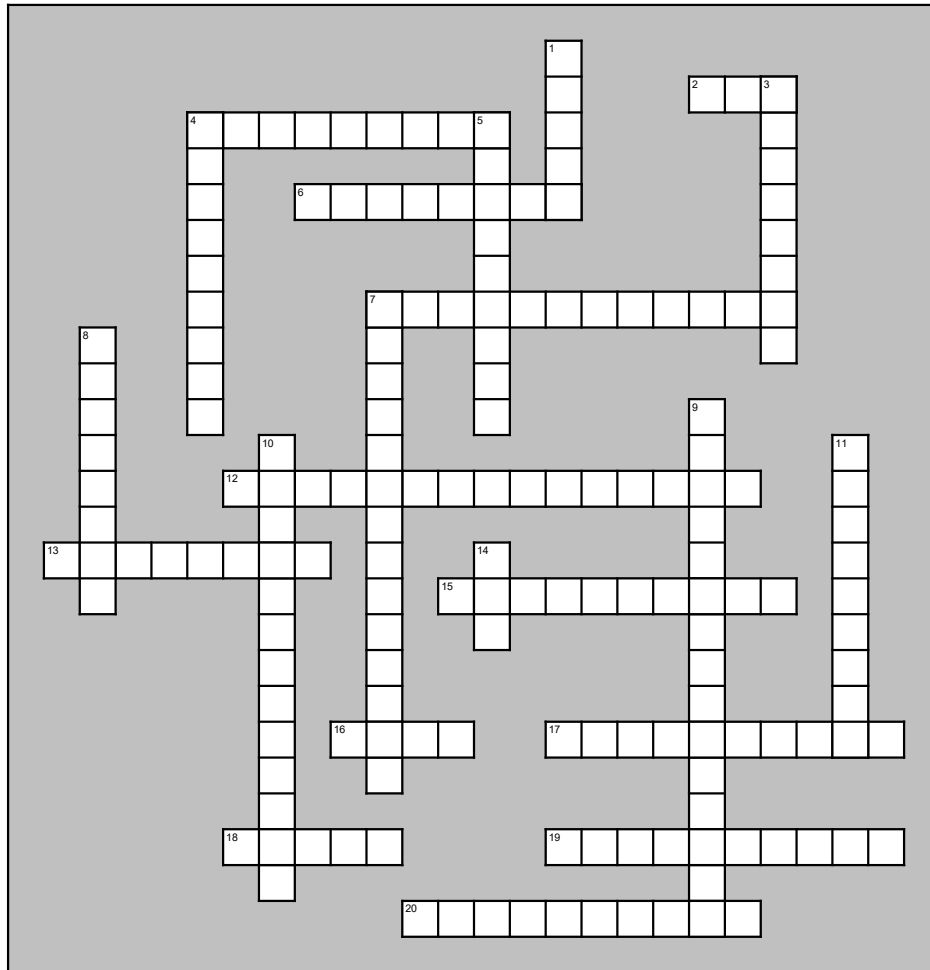


# Crossword



## Across

2. Avoid mushrooms that have a \_\_\_\_ or sac-like envelope at the base of the stem.
4. Found in fields and meadows; intestinal irritation if eaten; skin blisters if handled.
6. These plants (or animals) are not necessarily poisonous, but tend to dominate their habitat and outcompete other species.
7. Found in wet woods, open swamps. raw plants cause intense burning sensation in the mouth. Can be eaten if boiled long enough.
12. Found in woods, swamps, thickets. The "preacher stays cool under his leafy umbrella." The raw corms cause suffocation.
13. Found in moist woods and openings; its roots, leaves, seeds, and green fruit are strongly cathartic (laxative).
15. Inflammation or irritation of the skin (rash) caused by handling a poisonous plant like poison ivy, poison oak.
16. Color of berry safest to eat.
17. "Thorn apple." All parts are extremely poisonous.
18. Color of unripe berries that can cause indigestion.
19. Ripe berries are good in jams or jellies. Unripe berries, roots, stems and leaves are poisonous. Flowers look like clusters of broccoli.
20. Ruby-red berries are deadly. Found in clearings, moist thickets. Heart-shaped leaves with two lobes.

## Down

1. Color of berries that are almost always poisonous. Baneberry, osier, mistletoe.
3. Found on roadsides, cultivated fields. Root, seeds, mature stems and leaves are extremely poisonous. Mature berries are black.
4. Invasive tree; found on roadsides, pastures, fields; outcompetes native plants for light, water, space.
5. Causes dermatitis when touched. Soothed by "Touch Me Not" juice. Found in woods and thickets. 3 leaves, usually shiny.
7. Dermatitis when touched. Found on roadsides, light soils. Injects poison into skin when touched.
8. Poisoning that causes vomiting, dizziness, nausea, and hallucinations by eating the plant or inhaling. Poison can be absorbed by the skin as well. Mushrooms, white berries are common agents.
9. The most dangerous color for eating a mushroom.
10. Invasive; found on lawns, roadsides, trails, forests; shade tolerant and quickly becomes the dominant plant.
11. Invasive; found on forest edge, fields, disturbed sites, riverbanks; easily outcompetes trees that it inhabits (shades them out).
14. Color of berries that can be poisonous (nighshade, yew, snakeroot) or not (strawberry, raspberry, cherry, currants).