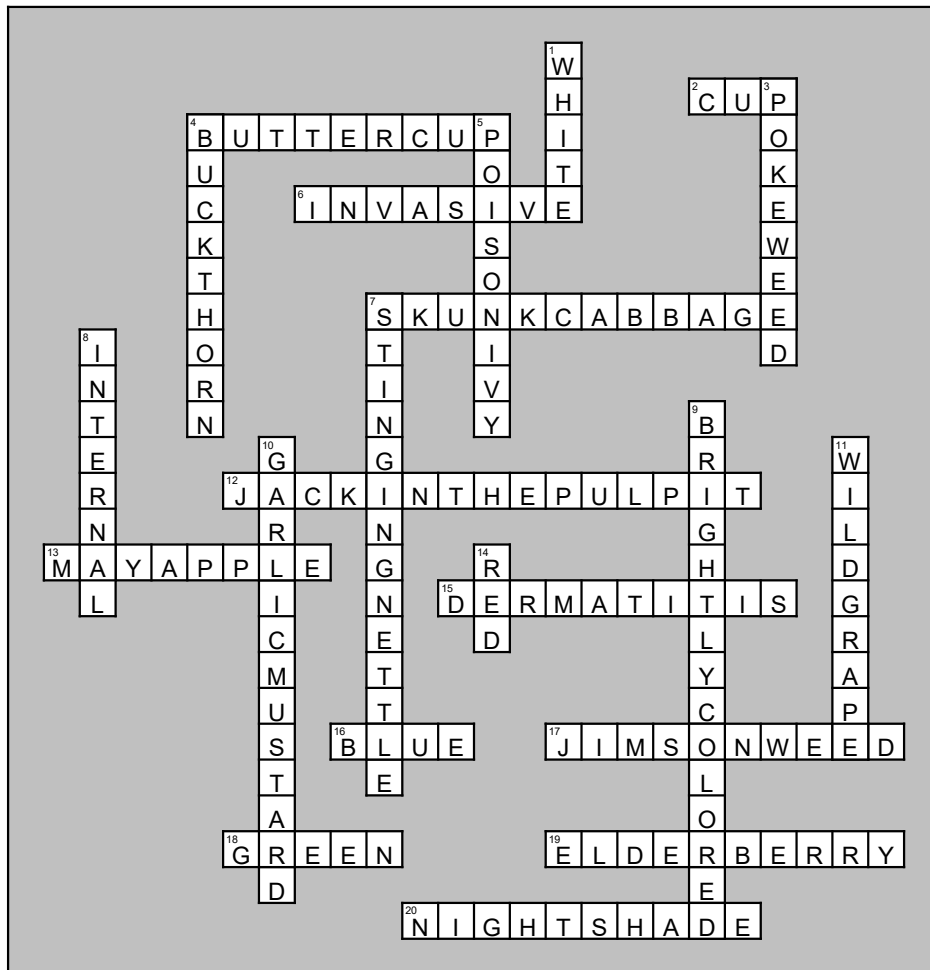


Crossword



Across

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

Down

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