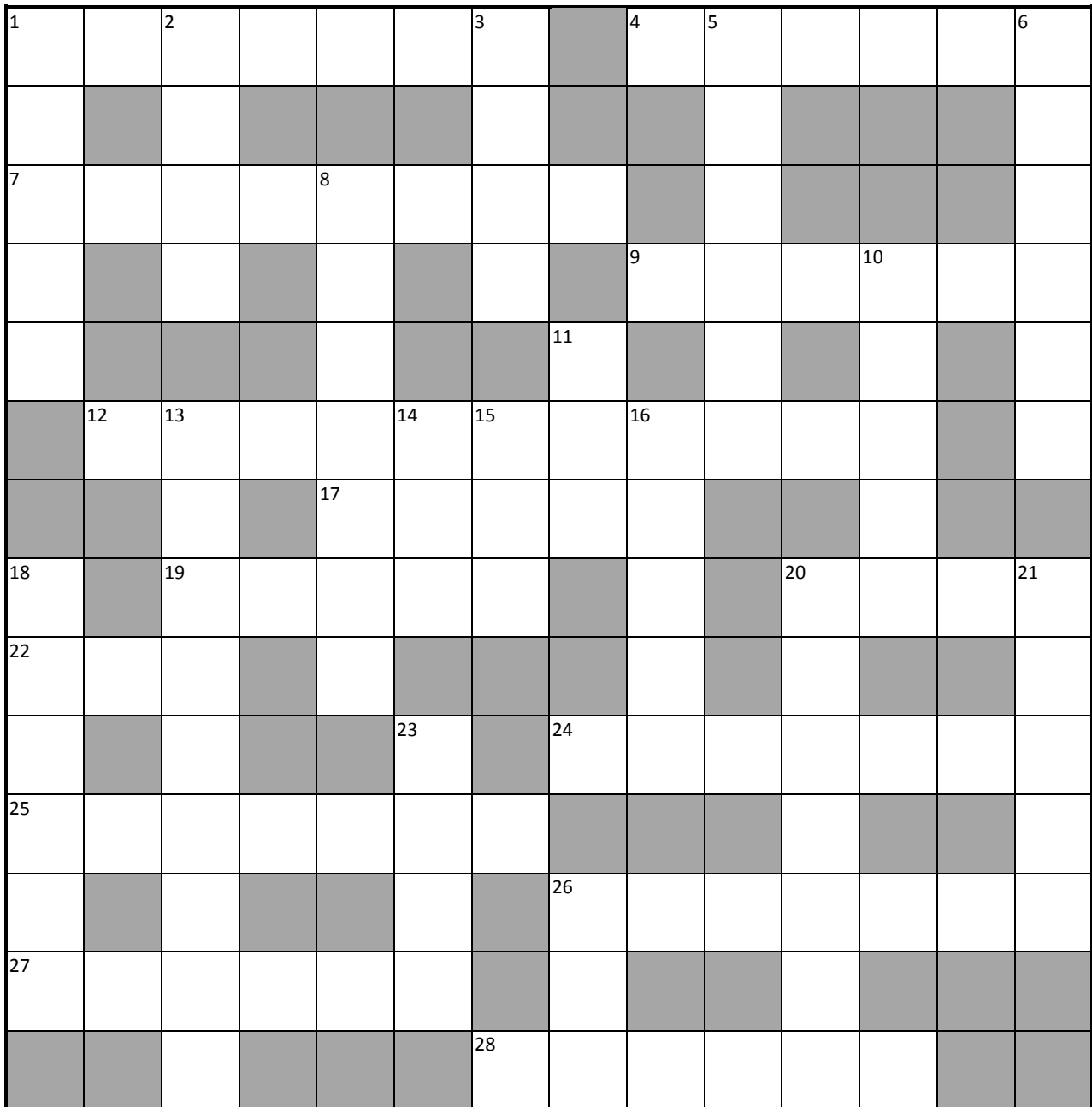


# SCIENCE CROSSWORD

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## ACROSS:

1. Skin damage caused by the sun's ultraviolet rays
4. Set alight
7. How a gardener recycles plants
9. One of Australia's commonest birds; black and white in colour, defends its territory aggressively.
12. The green chemical in plants which transforms the sun's energy into food.

17. Cooked creamed vegetables
19. Word used to describe a savage animal
20. Chain of coral just above or below the surface of the sea (Australia has the World's biggest)
22. Water in the solid state
24. Tool for fixing sheets of paper together
25. A chemical found naturally
26. Anything to do with the eyes
27. The light-sensitive lining of nerve cells at the back of an eye
28. The part of a plant that it uses for reproduction

**DOWN:**

1. Footwear
2. What you are when you can't feel anything
3. High-energy food from plants
5. Huge group of stars. Ours is called "The Milky Way"
6. Too much
8. Intelligent mollusc with no shell and eight legs
10. Throbbing of your arteries as blood is pumped through them
11. An animal that belongs to the group called The Primates (the same group of animals that humans belong to)
13. To sleep right through the winter. (The mountain pygmy possum is the only Australian mammal that does this, but lots of animals elsewhere in the world do)
14. A groove worn into a road by the wheels of vehicles
15. A kind of rock which is dug up in order to extract valuable minerals from it
16. The body's blood pump
18. During a partial eclipse of the sun, things appear \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ .
20. Cold-blooded animal with a backbone and scaly skin
21. A word used to describe an animal that was once domesticated but has become wild. Examples in Australia: cats, dogs, camels, rabbits.
23. The main American government organisation responsible for Space research
26. A liquid that floats on water and will not mix with water

# SOLUTION

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