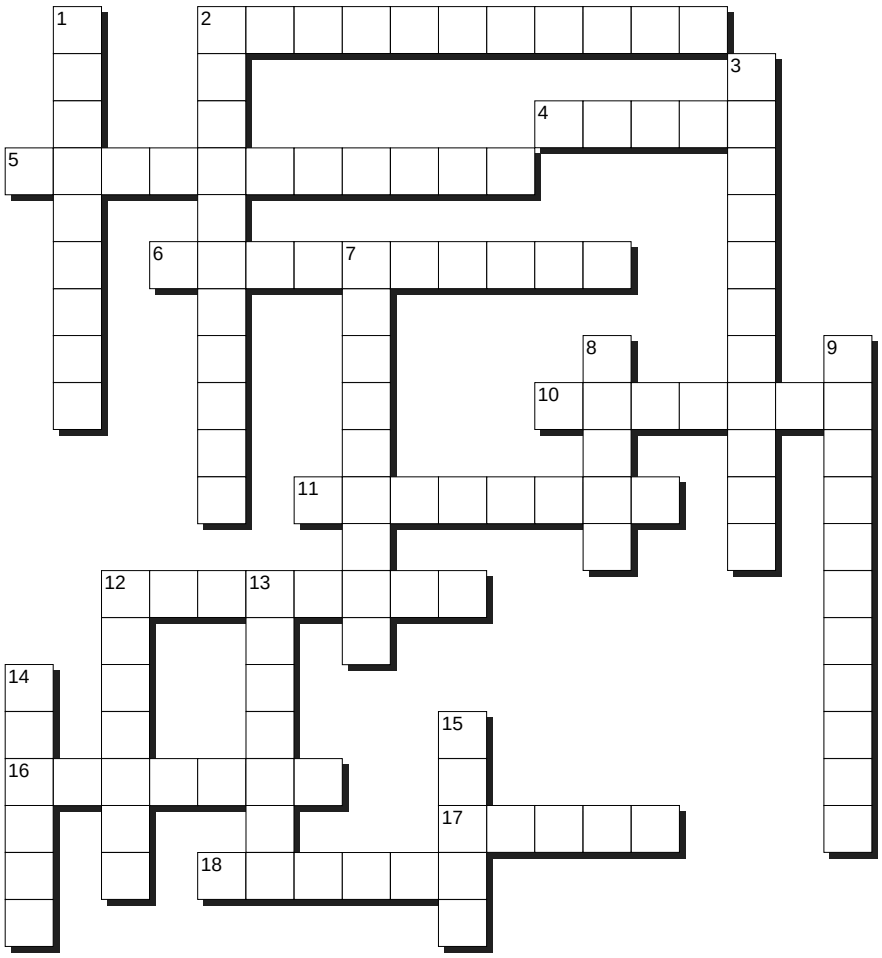

[Across]

2. easy to see.
4. genus (group) of blister beetle.
5. a favorite plant of blister beetles.
6. fluid found in open spaces surrounding cells that contains nutrients.
10. a raised part on the skin that contains a watery fluid.
11. animal that kills other animals for food.
12. male blister beetles use this part of their body to convince females to mate with them.
16. a channel into a surface like the grooves of a record.
17. male gamete, which only transfers its DNA to the egg.
18. one of the reasons a female might choose a male as a mate.

[Down]

1. a special behavior in animals that leads to mating.
2. nasty and dangerous chemical made by blister beetles and used for protection.
3. to make something.
7. another name for babies or children.
8. fluid pumped though the body in veins and arteries.
9. type of eggs baby beetle grubs like to eat.
12. state in the United States where master blaster beetles are found.
13. process of removing used, damaged, or toxic materials from the body.
14. name for different working parts found inside the body.
15. material removed from the body.

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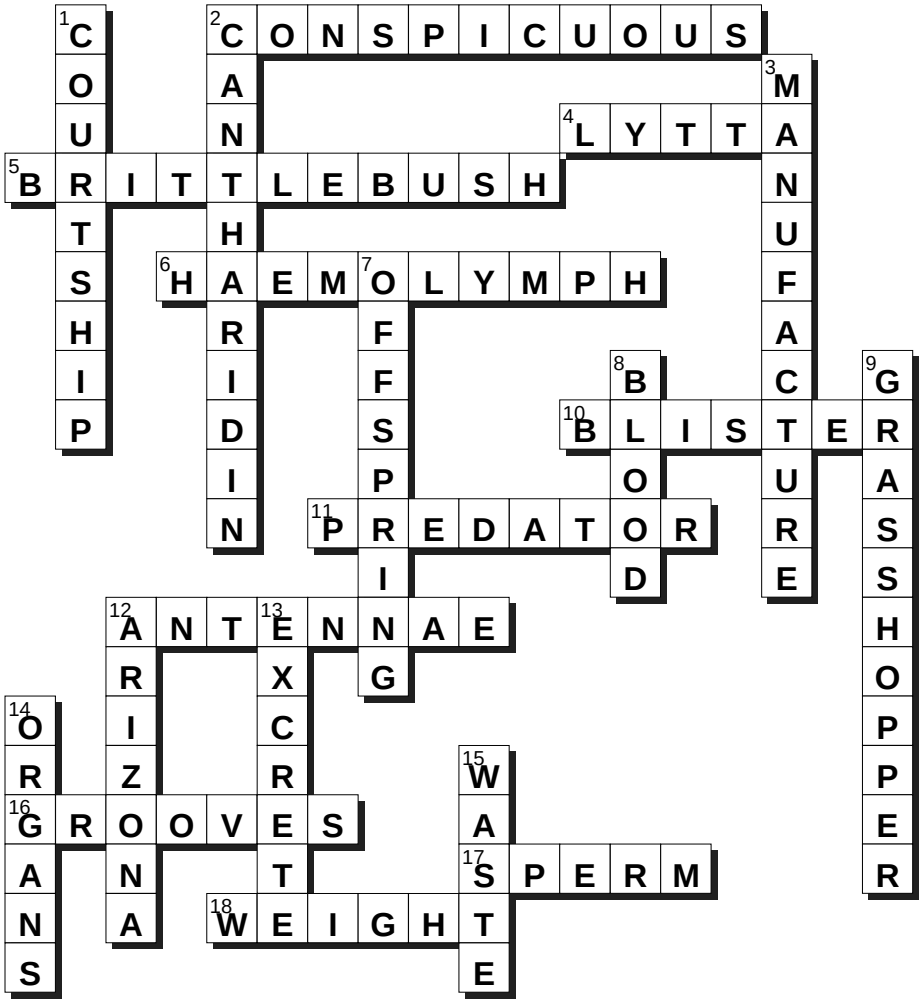

SOLUTION

[Across]

2. CONSPICUOUS
4. LYTTA
5. BRITTLEBUSH
6. HAEMOLYMPH
10. BLISTER
11. PREDATOR
12. ANTENNAE
16. GROOVES
17. SPERM
18. WEIGHT

[Down]

1. COURTSHIP
2. CANTHARIDIN
3. MANUFACTURE
7. OFFSPRING
8. BLOOD
9. GRASSHOPPER
12. ARIZONA
13. EXCRETE
14. ORGANS
15. WASTE

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