

These stories are from pages 5, 7 and 10 of *First News*. Read the stories, and then try the puzzle.

To help you, we have underlined the answers to the crossword puzzle clues in the stories – but you will need to match the correct word with each clue!



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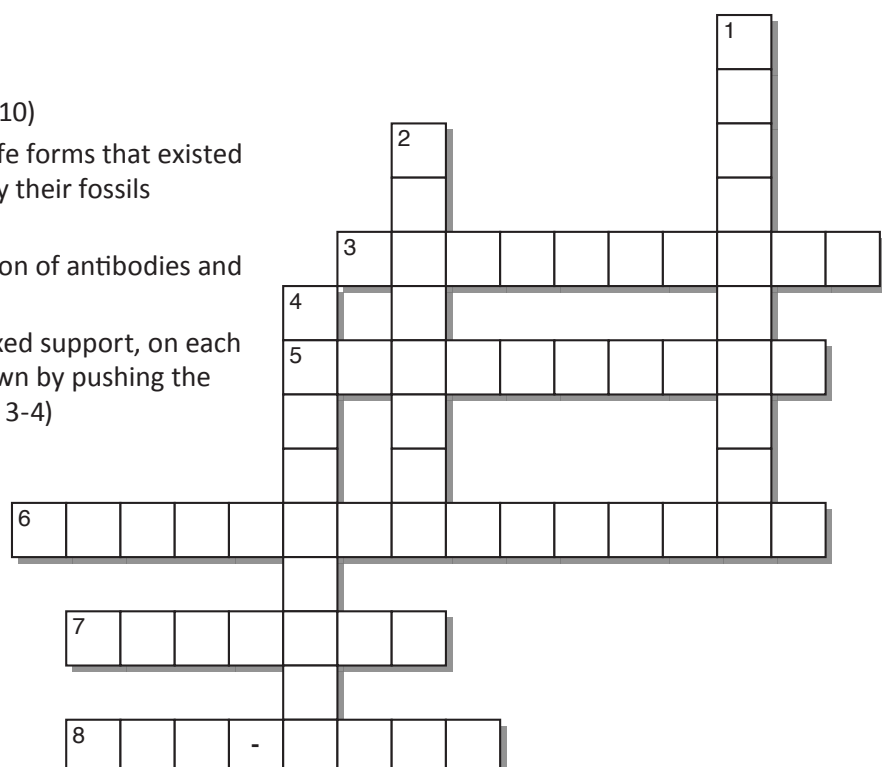


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- 3) Unfairness; a lack of equality (noun 10)
- 5) Championed and spoke for (past participle 10)
- 6) A scientist who specialises in the study of life forms that existed in previous geologic periods, as represented by their fossils (noun 15)
- 7) A substance used to stimulate the production of antibodies and provide immunity against disease (noun 7)
- 8) A long plank balanced in the middle on a fixed support, on each end of which children sit and swing up and down by pushing the ground alternately with their feet (plural noun 3-4)

**DOWN**

- 1) People who design buildings and also supervise their construction (plural noun 10)
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