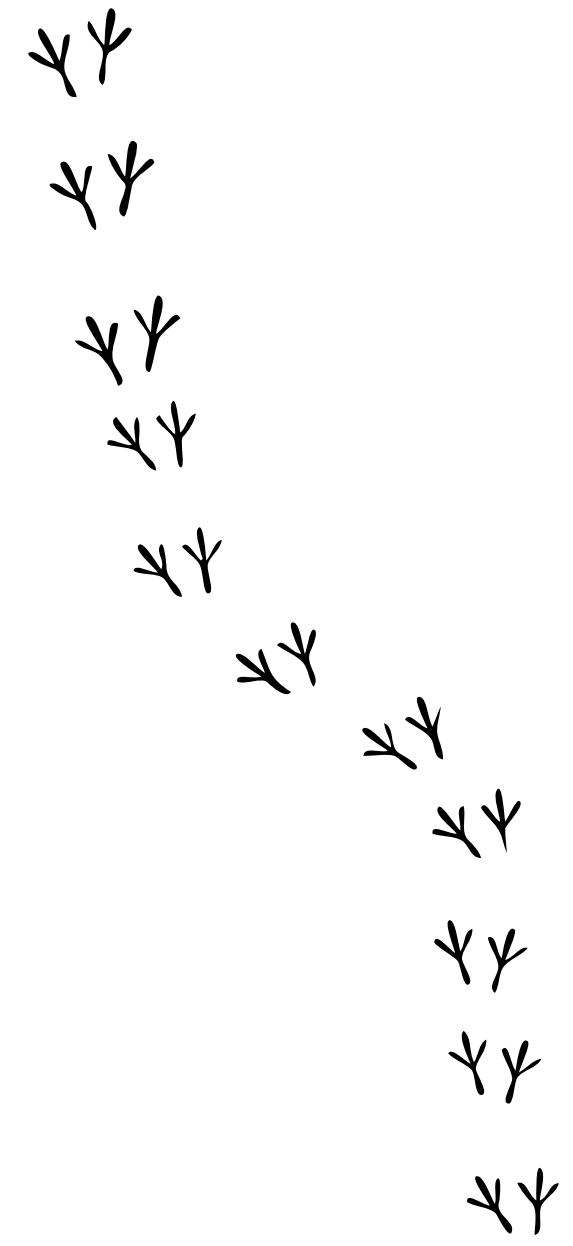
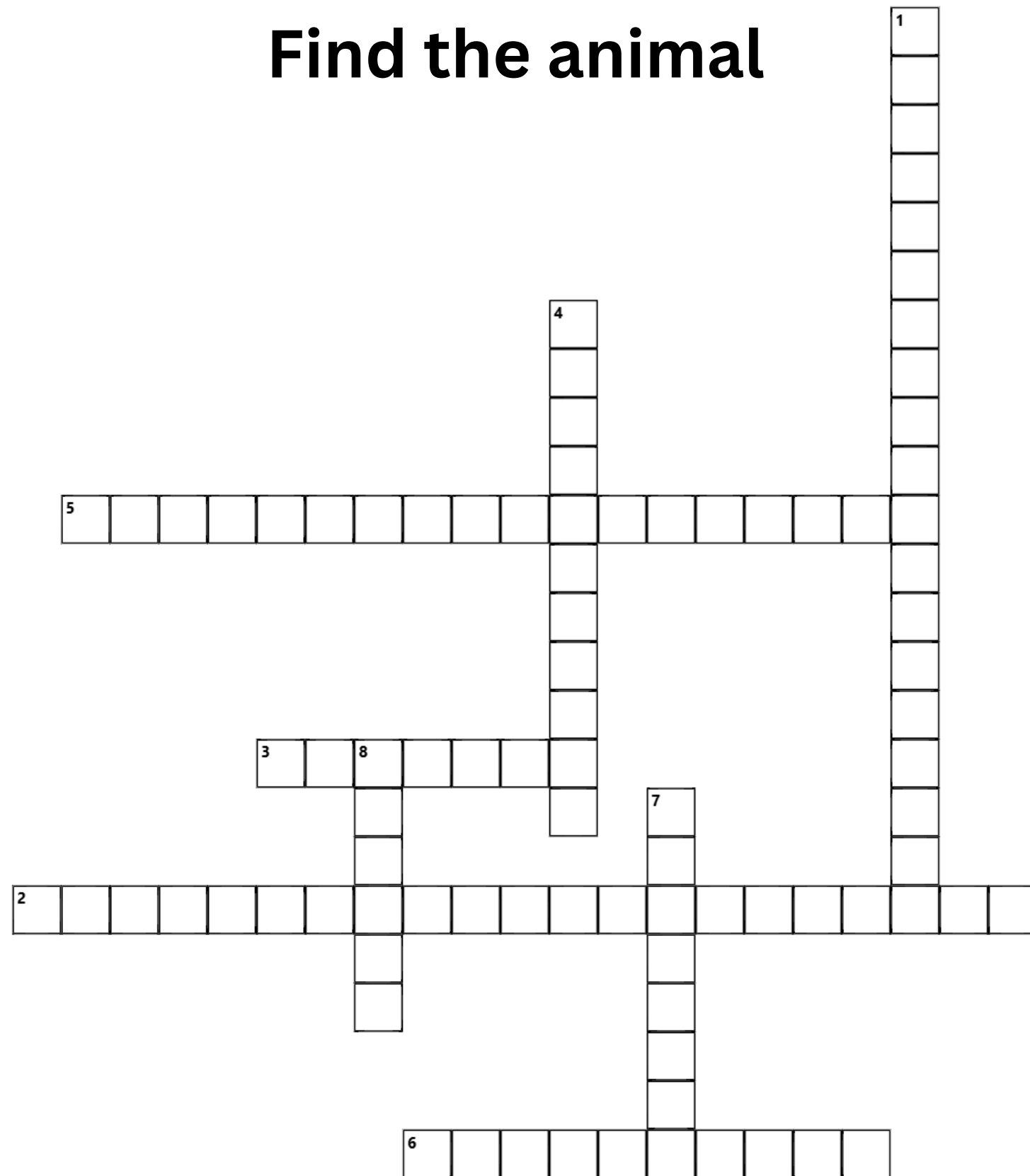
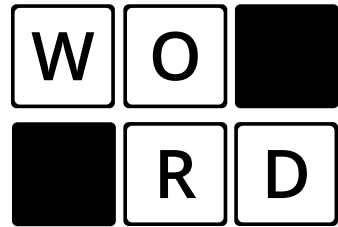


Wild Mammals of Jammu and Kashmir



Find the animal

CROSS



Across

- 2. Gray-coloured primate (19)
- 3. Gliding rodent (21)
- 5. Largest mountain-goat in Kashmir (7)
- 8. The 'Ghost of the Mountains' (11)

Down

- 1. The 'Moon Bear' with chest patch (16)
- 4. Small wild cat with leopard-like spots (10)
- 6. A deer without antlers, has fang-like canines (8)
- 7. Sly Kashmiri fox (6)

Clues: Find the animal

1. Think of an animal that's usually happy walking around on all fours, but when it decides to stand tall on two legs, it can reach an impressive 5 to 7 feet! Pretty cool, right? That's me! Now, here's the fun part—I have a unique moon-shaped patch on my chest that gave me the nickname—the 'Moon Bear.' Nature sure knows how to mix style with strength!

4. I'm the clever one, always up to something sneaky! Kashmiri people call me *Pos-loh* because of my quirky habit—I follow predators around, waiting to snag a bite of their leftovers. Work smarter, not harder, right? I've got a big, bushy tail with a fancy white tip, making me stand out in the wild. Pretty cool, huh? So, next time you see me, remember—I'm not just sly, I'm the ultimate opportunist of the animal kingdom!

7. Zoom! That's me gliding from tree to tree—nature's very own little acrobat! When I glide, I let out a happy sound, 'Kees,' which is why Kashmiri people love to call me by that name too. I'm nuts about walnuts! With my sharp rodent teeth, I happily munch away on them, storing up all the energy I need for my graceful flights. Pretty cool, huh? So, next time you hear a 'Kees' in the forest, look up—it might just be me!"

2. I am one of the largest mountain goats out there—rocking some seriously twisted horns and a long, wise-looking beard that makes it look like the philosopher of the mountains! I thrive in the rocky terrains of the Pir Panjal region, showing off my climbing skills and rugged charm. I'm Nature's ultimate daredevil!

5. I'm a proud member of the cat family, but don't let my small size fool you—I'm no cub! My beautiful coat, covered in spots that look just like a leopard's, often tricks people into thinking I'm a baby big cat. But nope, I'm a fully grown adult with my own unique charm. Can you guess who I am?

8. I'm the vigilant one, always on the lookout! You'll often spot me in the forests, sitting up high and keeping an eye out for any danger. I'm dressed to impress with my gray coat and a stylish black face mask—nature's version of a superhero outfit! In Kashmiri, people call me Wandur.

3. I am one of the most unique members of the deer family—no antlers for me! But don't let that fool you; I'm famous (or infamous) for my vampire-like vibe because the males have long, fang-like canines. Spooky, right? Oh, and here's a fun fact: we're quite the romantics too, using a strong-smelling scent to charm the ladies. Humans, though, think our scent is fancy enough to be a key ingredient in perfumes. Talk about being naturally alluring!

6. I'm the mysterious one, often called the Ghost of the Mountains! I belong to the cat family, known for my stealth and ability to blend perfectly with the rocky landscapes of the high Himalayas. My long, thick tail is not just for balance while leaping across cliffs—it's also my cozy blanket! When the freezing cold bites, I curl it around myself to stay warm. Who am I?

What do you think is the habitat for the Common Leopard? Does it stay near villages or only in the forest? Draw your own background and colour the sheet.



The Urial is actually a wild sheep! It is known to have reddish-brown coats. The males have longer horns and a whitish beard-like patch under their necks.

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