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2. The sum of inputs, outputs, and storage of materials.
5. "House" in ancient Greek.
6. Provides energy to fuel many ecosystems.
8. The border between two ecosystems.
10. Size in space or time.
12. Ability to return to previous conditions after sudden changes.
14. Food \_\_\_\_.
16. Non-living things.
18. Where animals get energy.
19. Interacting parts.

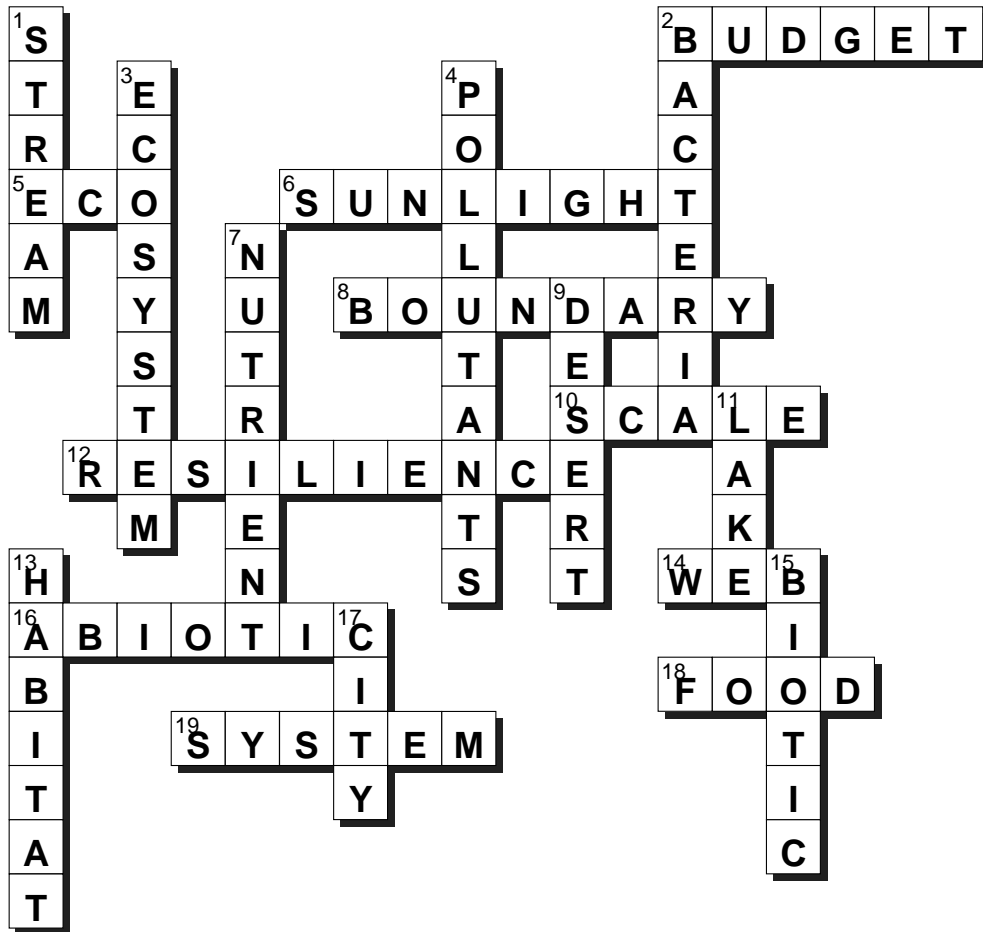
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1. An ecosystem that has flowing water.
2. A type of microscopic organisms.
3. Living and non-living things and their interactions within a particular area.
4. Substances that degrade air or water quality, or have negative influences on the health of organisms.
7. Nourishing ingredient in a food.
9. An ecosystem where there is little water.
11. An ecosystem that has standing water.
13. Place where an organisms lives
15. Living things
17. An ecosystem that includes a large number of humans, transportation systems, and houses.

Try our crossword puzzle based on one of our web articles. You can learn more about this topic when you read the article *I Spy an Ecosystem* at the *Ask a Biologist* web address below.

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SOLUTION

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- 2. Budget
- 5. Eco
- 6. Sunlight
- 8. Boundary
- 10. Scale
- 12. Resilience
- 14. Web
- 16. Abiotic
- 18. Food
- 19. System



- 1. Stream
- 2. Bacteria
- 3. Ecosystem
- 4. Pollutants
- 7. Nutrient
- 9. Desert
- 11. Lake
- 13. Habitat
- 15. Biotic
- 17. City

This solution above will let you see how well you did with the puzzle.  
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