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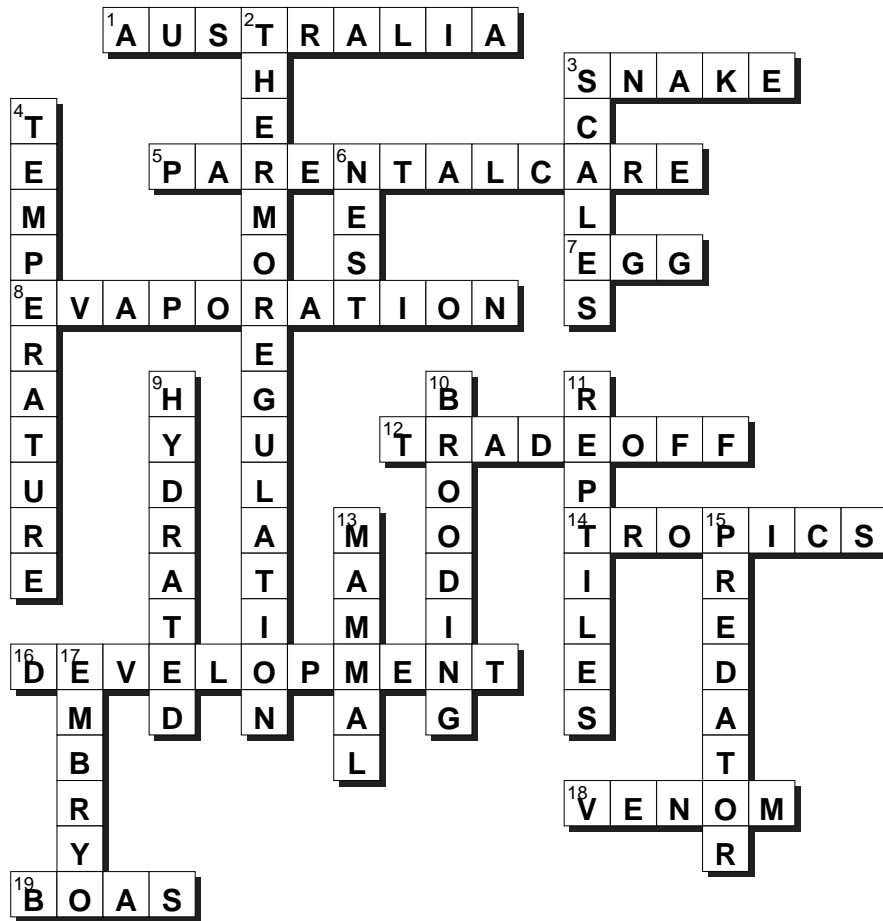
1. Pythons are mainly found in Africa, Asia, and \_\_\_\_\_.
3. A python is a specific type of reptile called a \_\_\_\_\_.
5. When one or both parents take care of their young. (two words)
7. The “home” in which very young animals live.
8. The change of water from liquid to gas.
12. A choice between several important things.
14. Warm, humid areas where pythons are found.
16. The process of growing up.
18. Like most snakes, pythons do not have \_\_\_\_\_, a type of toxin.
19. A type of large snake that pythons are closely related to.

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2. Keeping one’s body at the right temperature.
3. Snake skin is covered in \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Python moms sometimes choose between keeping their eggs hydrated and keeping them at the right \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Pythons carefully choose a \_\_\_\_\_ to lay their eggs in.
9. By coiling around her eggs, a python keeps her young \_\_\_\_\_.
10. When a python coils around her eggs, she is \_\_\_\_\_ them.
11. Lizards, snakes, turtles, and crocodiles are all \_\_\_\_\_.
13. Warm-blooded animal with fur.
15. A living thing that eats other animals to survive.
17. A young animal is called an \_\_\_\_\_ when it is inside an egg.

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SOLUTION

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1. AUSTRALIA
3. SNAKE
5. PARENTAL CARE
7. EGG
8. EVAPORATION
12. TRADEOFF
14. TROPICS
16. DEVELOPMENT
18. VENOM
19. BOAS



2. THERMOREGULATION
3. SCALES
4. TEMPERATURE
6. NEST
9. HYDRATED
10. BROODING
11. REPTILES
13. MAMMAL
15. PREDATOR
17. EMBRYO

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