

# WINDSWEPT

TALES FOR CHILDREN

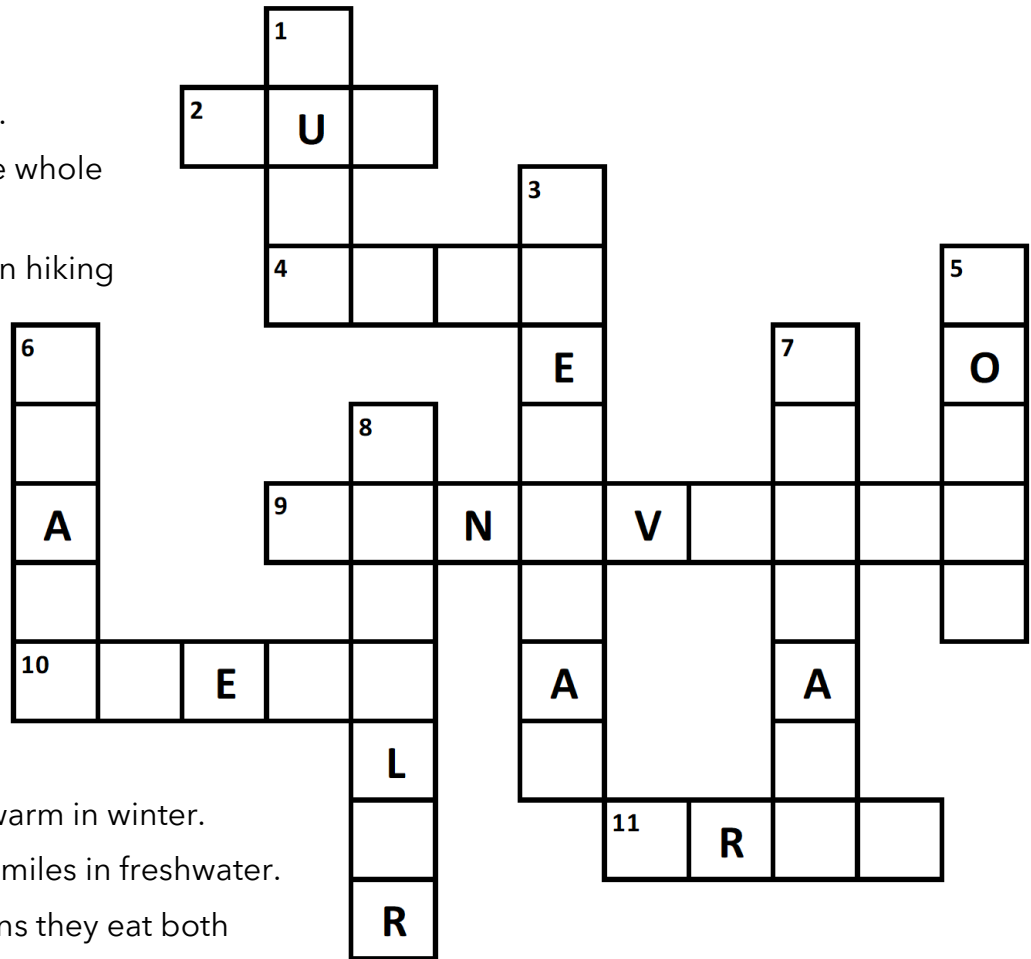
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## Black Bear Crossword

### DOWN:

1. Baby bears are called this.
3. Black bears live across the whole North \_\_\_\_ Continent.
5. Make plenty of \_\_\_\_ when hiking in bear country so you don't surprise a bear.
6. Black bears have non-retractable \_\_\_\_.
7. They are attracted to human food and \_\_\_\_.
8. Black bears are \_\_\_\_ than grizzly bears.



### ACROSS:

2. Layers of \_\_\_\_ keep them warm in winter.
4. They can \_\_\_\_ at least 1.5 miles in freshwater.
9. They are \_\_\_\_: this means they eat both plants and animals.
10. Black bears have a strong sense of \_\_\_\_ and can detect the scent of food up to a mile away.
11. They are great \_\_\_\_ climbers.

## What to do if you encounter a black bear...

- **Stay calm!** Talk calmly to the bear to let it know you are a human, not a prey animal. Tell it to back away. Remember that most bears just want to be left alone.
- **Never run** away from a bear. It will chase you and it can run much faster than you, up to 30 mph.
- Make yourself look as large as possible: stand up straight, slowly wave your arms.
- Slowly back away, and keep an eye on the bear.

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## Black Bear Crossword

### ANSWER KEY

#### DOWN:

1. Baby bears are called this: **CUBS**.
3. Black bears live across the whole North **AMERICAN** Continent.
5. Make plenty of **NOISE** when hiking in bear country so you don't surprise a bear.
6. Black bears have non-retractable **CLAWS**.
7. They are attracted to human food and **GARBAGE**.
8. Black bears are **SMALLER** than grizzly bears.

#### ACROSS:

2. Layers of **FUR** keep them warm in winter.
4. They can **SWIM** at least 1.5 miles in freshwater.
9. They are **OMNIVORES**: this means they eat both plants and animals.
10. Black bears have a strong sense of **SMELL** and can detect the scent of food up to a mile away.
11. They are great **TREE** climbers.

