



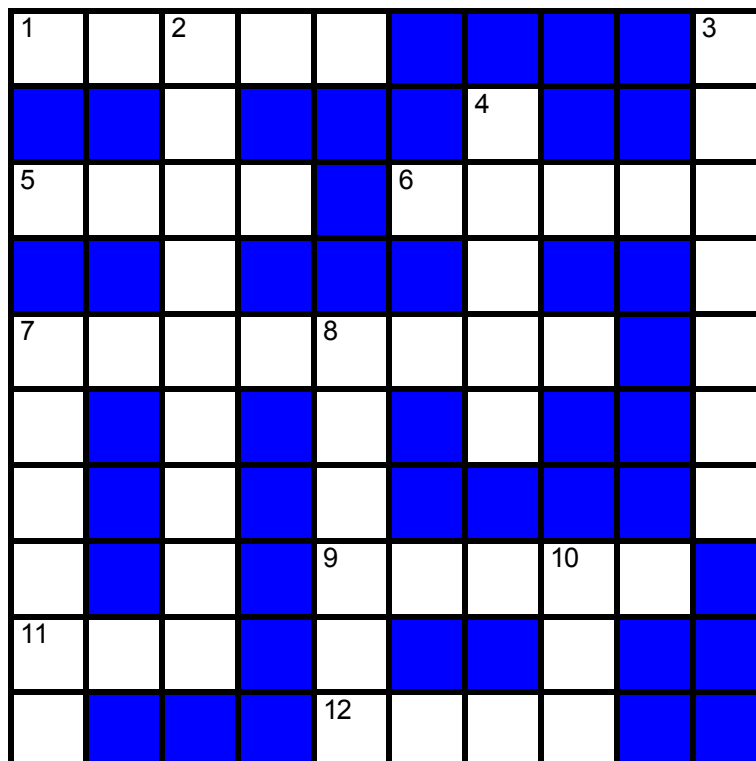
# Case Two: An Ounce of Prevention!

Grades 4-7

Level 1: Gumshoe

## IPM Crossword Puzzles!

Directions: Use basic IPM knowledge to complete the crossword puzzle. The clues are listed below! If you get stuck, check out the answer key at <http://www.ipminstitute.org/pdfxwordanswers.pdf>.



### Across

1. Some pests are active during the day; others prefer the cover of darkness at \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Hungry pests sometimes enter houses looking for \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Cockroaches love to live in stacks of cardboard or \_\_\_\_\_.
7. This insect pollinates flowers and makes a sweet treat, but if you step on one barefoot, you'll get a nasty sting!
9. Lice is the plural of this word.

Level 1 Crossword (continued)

11. You might think pesky parents just like to \_\_\_\_, but making sure your room is clean and free of food trash is one of the best ways to prevent pest problems.
12. Carpenter ants and termites need this to live.

Down

2. This furry pest gets lots of attention in February, but if he sees his shadow in your garden, better put up a fence because he's a big eater!
3. Vacuuming pet beds, floors, rugs and \_\_\_\_\_ is a great way to reduce flea problems.
4. Just like us, pests need food, \_\_\_\_\_ and shelter.
7. Piles of trash make great \_\_\_\_\_ places for rats, mice, ants and other pests.
8. This stinging pest wears a \_\_\_\_\_ jacket.
10. Without IPM, we might all be very \_\_\_\_\_.