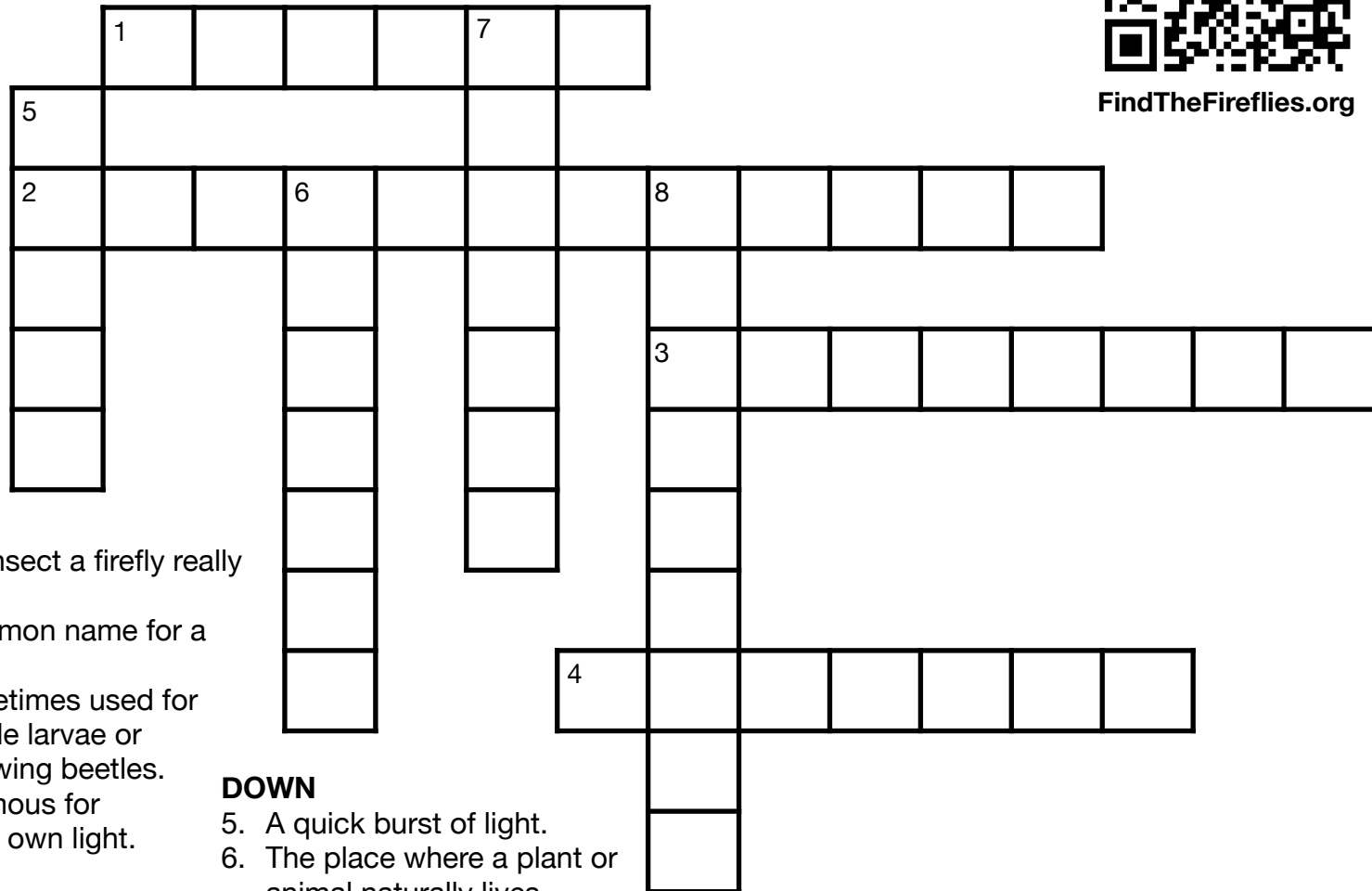


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1. The kind of insect a firefly really is.
2. Another common name for a firefly.
3. A name sometimes used for glowing beetle larvae or wingless glowing beetles.
4. An insect famous for producing its own light.

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5. A quick burst of light.
6. The place where a plant or animal naturally lives.
7. The light-producing part of a firefly's abdomen.
8. The part of the day when many fireflies are active.

Fireflies are actually beetles, not flies. They are known for producing their own light, and many people also call them lightning bugs.

The glowing part of a firefly's body is called a lantern, which is usually found near the end of the abdomen. Fireflies use their light in different ways, including communication.

A firefly's quick burst of light is called a flash. Different species may flash in different patterns and at different times. Many fireflies are most active during the nighttime, especially around dusk and after dark.

Like all animals, fireflies need the right habitat to survive. Depending on the species, they may live around woods, fields, wetlands, gardens, or other places with enough moisture and shelter. Some glowing beetles or glowing beetle larvae are commonly called glow-worms.

Myth: Fireflies are flies

Fact: Fireflies are actually beetles.

Myth: All fireflies flash.

Fact: Some adult fireflies do not flash at all.

Myth: If you don't see fireflies, there aren't any nearby.

Fact: Some species are easy to miss because they flash low to the ground, at different times, or only during a short part of the evening.

