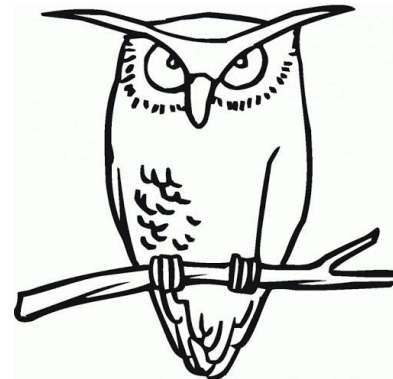
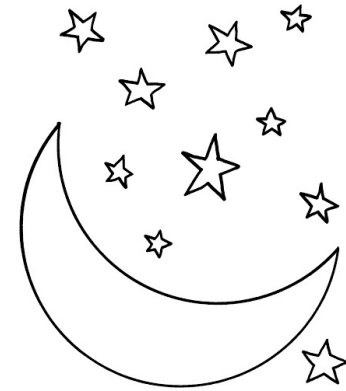
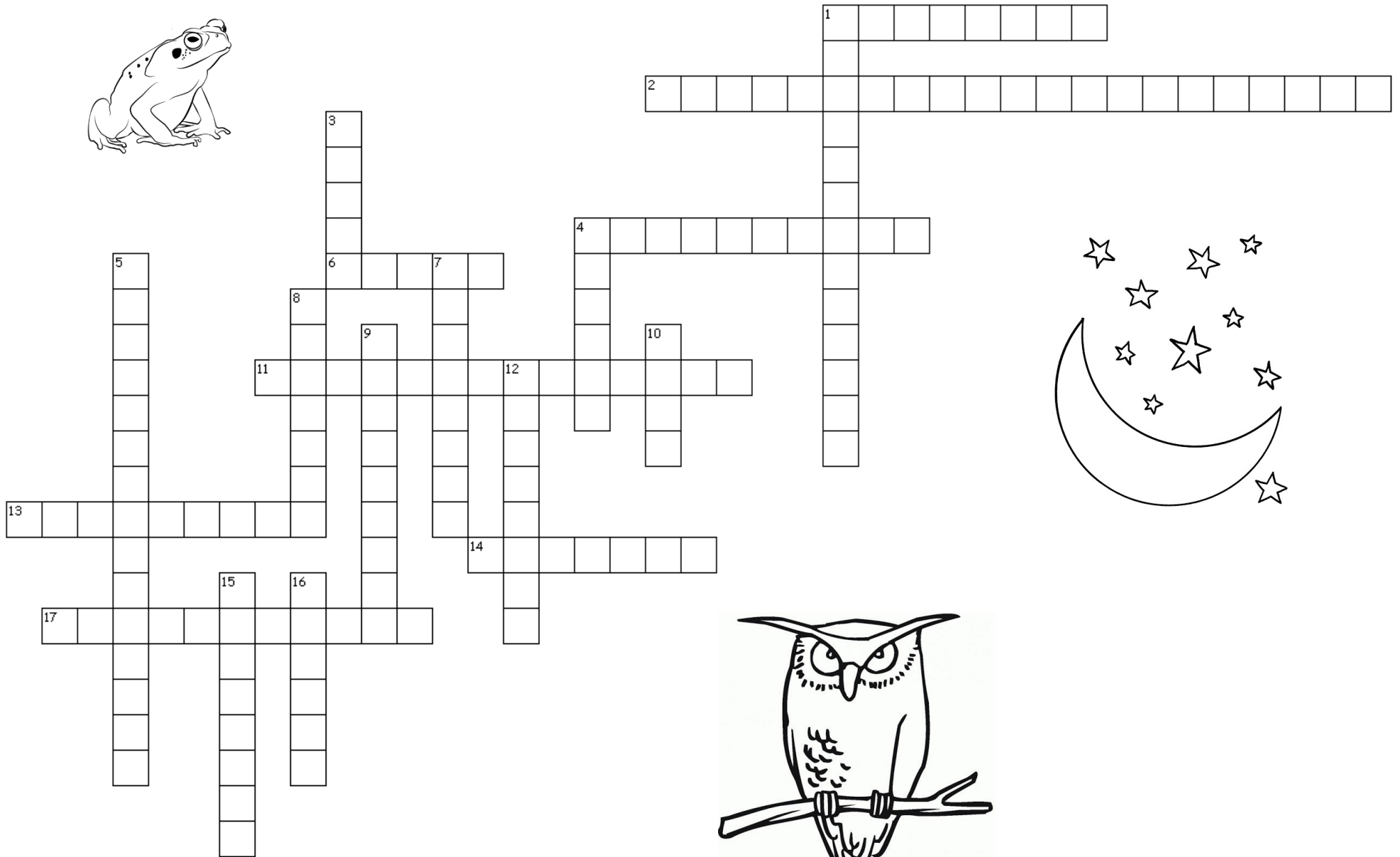


The Desert After Dark

... a Tohono Chul @ home crossword



Across



1. Nighttime is when I hunt my dinner using pincers and a stinging tail
2. During the summer, I live under a bridge on the Rillito River and come out at night to echo-locate for insects
4. Related to butterflies, I pollinate night-blooming flowers

6. My smell is my best defense

11. "Horns" are in my name but I don't have any, just feathers

13. This is a word used to describe creatures active a night

14. I love to collect shiny things to add to my midden

17. I hop on my hindlegs like a mammal from "down under," but I am actually a mouse



Down

1. I wait for the summer rains to start signing for a wife

3. In a galaxy far, far away, I shine brightly

4. When the day ends and night begins

5. Night-blooming cereus

7. I am a bird, but not an owl and I fly after dark looking for insects

8. Where you can find me roosting is part of my name

9. I am not an insect but wander the desert on my eight legs looking for love

10. I am not a planet but spend my month revolving around one

12. I am the state mammal

15. We sing all night by rubbing our legs together

16. After dark, I greet my family with yips and yowls that sound like singing



Down | 1-spade-foot toad, 3-stars, 4-sunset, 5-queen of the night, 7-Nighthjar, 8-Barn Owl, 9-tarantula, 10-moon, 12-rintail, 15-cricket, 16-coyote

Across | 1-scorpion, 2-Mexican Free-tailed bat, 4-sphinx moth, 6-skunk, 11-Great-horned Owl, 13-nocturnal, 14-packrat, 17-kangaroo rat

Answers: