



Mike Chiago's painting shows Tohono O'odham harvesting f_____ from the saguaro cactus. What time of year does this happen? What else are people doing in the painting?

What do you think this hiker is thinking about as he looks down on the city in the distance? What do you do to get away from urban living?

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Y What kinds of things do you find in Larry Yanez's display? Why do you think he included them? If you were building your own yardshrine, what would you put in it?

BONUS QUESTION: First, find the desert in a plate. How many different desert creatures can you spot in Debbie Jensen's plate? How many animals have you seen in the desert at one time? Is it more or less?



personal alphabets

If you were going to create your own state alphabet, what would you pick to represent each letter? What images come to mind when you think of your favorite places – for Arizona, I think of things like cactus and coyotes, the full moon over tall mountains, and flip flops in the summer. If you are from Minnesota, what would your state alphabet look like? How about for California or Texas?

a	_____	n	_____
b	_____	o	_____
c	_____	p	_____
d	_____	q	_____
e	_____	r	_____
f	_____	s	_____
g	_____	t	_____
h	_____	u	_____
i	_____	v	_____
j	_____	w	_____
k	_____	x	_____
l	_____	y	_____
m	_____	z	_____

AZ, A - to - Z

an alphabetical museum hunt

We have gathered a variety of art works that we think illustrate some of the special things about our state. As you walk through the exhibit, see if you can find the works listed below, then read the label copy for help with the answers to some of the questions.



Can you identify these "raptors" in Kim Duffek's painting? A raptor is a bird that uses its sharp beak and talons to capture its prey, so these birds are sometimes referred to as birds of prey.

How do you think Adriel Heisey was able to take the photograph of Glen Canyon Dam? There are three ways we can generate "clean" energy – from the sun (solar power), from moving water (hydroelectric) and from the blowing w_____.

E

Hot can be used to describe so many different kinds of things – even what's cool! How do these artists use "hot"? What's "hot" to you?

How are scorpions and tarantulas related? Hint: count the number of legs on each. What did Ned Egen use to make his arachnids?



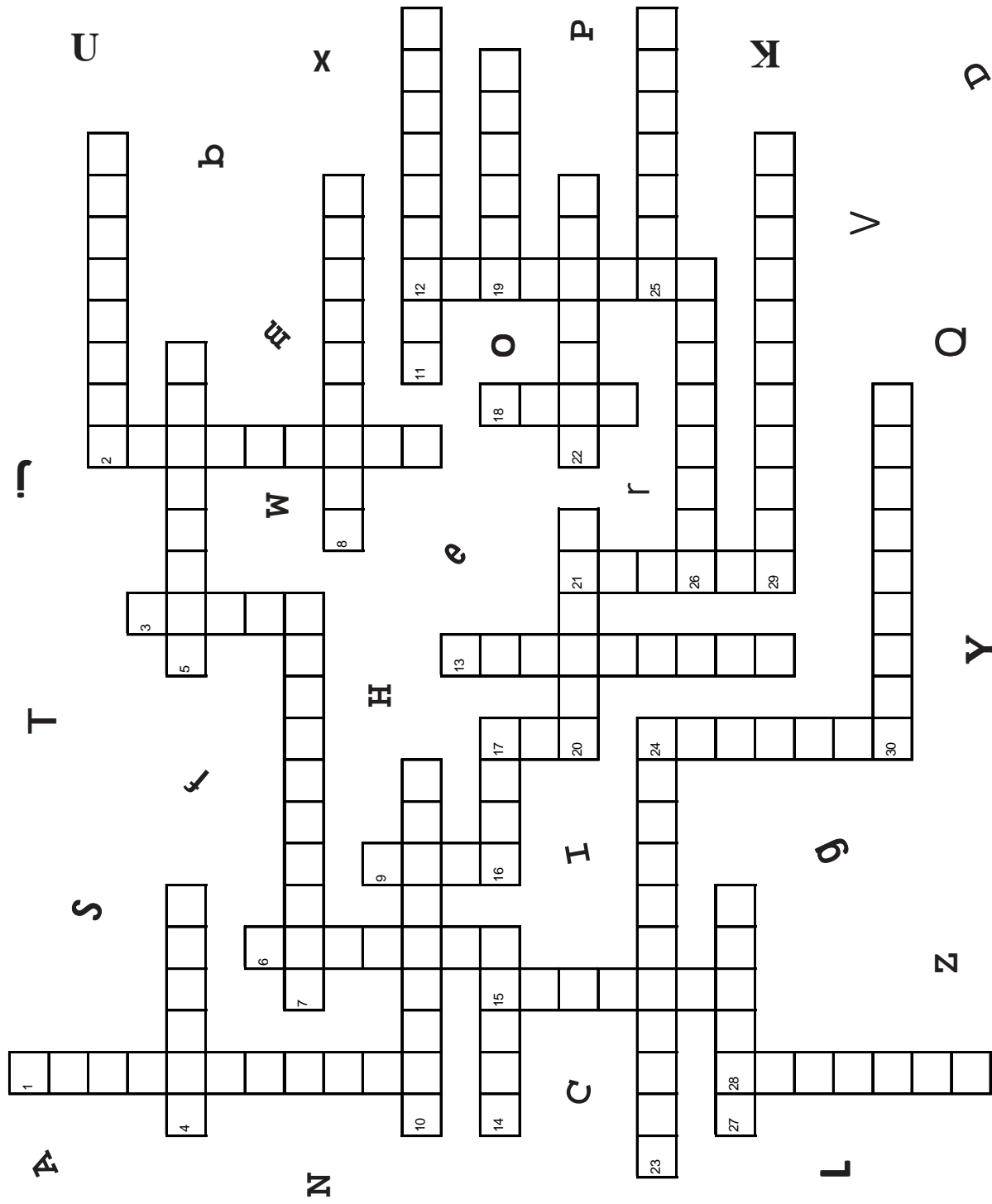
You've probably never seen javelinas or jackrabbits like these! What is different about them? Can you think of a new name for these "wild west" critters?

Arizona is famous as a place to mine c_____. How is this mineral being used in the artwork displayed? What other minerals can you identify?

M



Ancient peoples chipped designs and symbols into rock called petroglyphs. How many different designs can you find in the artwork? Can you find some that look like people? What do you think they are trying to tell us?



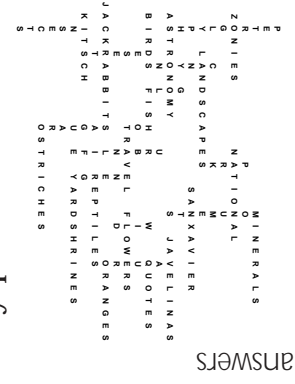
This Arizona crossword puzzle includes all the A to Z categories you see in our exhibit. Use the clues to fill in the spaces across and down. Don't forget to look around the room for help with your answers.

ACROSS

2. put them together to make a rock
4. what they call Arizonans who visit San Diego in the summer
5. outdoor museums that protect natural treasures (with 2 and 3 Down)
7. the outdoors as a painter sees it
8. "White Dove of the Desert"
10. the study of heavenly bodies
11. it might look like one, but it's not a pig
14. dinosaur descendants
16. a natural swimmer
19. repeating exactly what someone else says
20. what you might have done on your summer vacation
22. stop and smell the . . . (with 18 Down)
23. western hares
25. sweet fruits you eat as juice
26. lizards and turtles and snakes, oh my!
27. weird stuff that some people call art
29. personal altars found in front of some houses
30. can be found living on a ranch near Picacho Peak

DOWN

1. ancient symbols pecked into desert rocks
- 2./3. outdoor museums that protect natural treasures (with 5 Across)
6. deep cuts in the ground caused by wind and water erosion
9. Tiger Woods's game
12. Mexican cowboys
13. when you live in a city, you are part of this – the opposite of country living
15. habitats where temperatures are high and water is low
17. opposite of cool
18. opposite of tame (with 22 Across)
21. _____ is generated by the sun or by water falling over a dam
24. desert "hotel"
28. six legs and three body parts



ANSWERS