

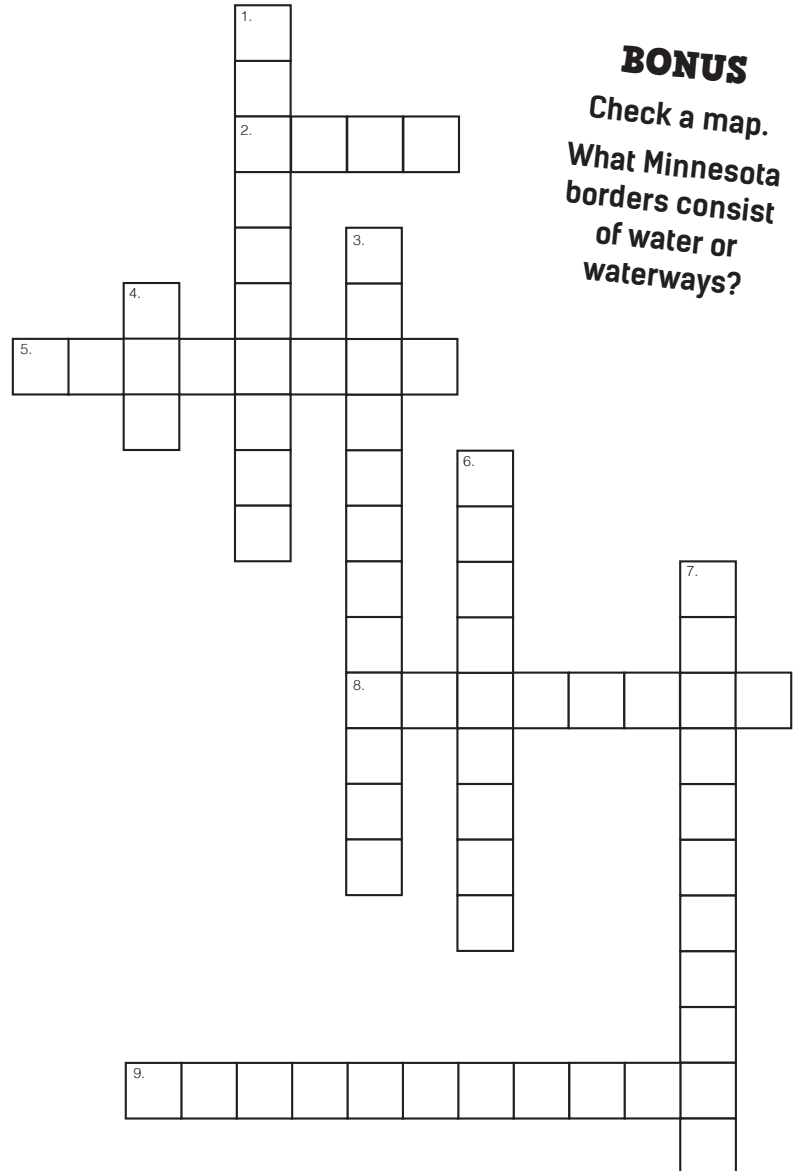
Are You Water Wise?

Across

2. Forms of precipitation include hail, sleet, snow, and _____
5. The _____ in Minnesota eons ago affected our state's terrain, soils, and water supplies.
8. Underground spaces in rock, sand, or gravel where water is caught and held are called _____.
9. Water located in underground cracks and spaces is called _____.

Down

1. Material used to improve the soil and grow better plants is called _____. It can contaminate water.
3. Water in lakes, streams, rivers, and wetlands is called _____.
4. The three forms of water are liquid, solid (ice), and _____ (vapor).
6. Water _____ happens when things like gasoline, chemicals, garbage, and animal waste get into the water, making it unsafe for human use.
7. This food-producing industry depends on Minnesota's groundwater.



BONUS

Check a map.
What Minnesota
borders consist
of water or
waterways?

Kids can take care of groundwater, too!

Groundwater is a big part of our high quality of life in Minnesota. Let's all take care of it!
Little things add up to big differences!

1. Investigate your home for products (paints, motor oil, cleaners, old medicines, etc.) that could pollute groundwater if poured down the drain or dumped on the ground. Mark all these containers as dangerous. Better yet, set them aside for donation at the next "household hazardous waste collection day" in your community.
2. Tell others how hazardous products can contaminate the groundwater when thrown into the trash.
3. Use environmentally friendly products instead of hazardous ones. Find recipes for homemade cleaners using less toxic ingredients like vinegar and baking soda.
4. Design posters to spread the word about groundwater protection. Ask a local grocery store, library, school, or department store to display them.
5. Host a schoolwide groundwater education day.