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Fill out the crossword, and write the answers to the clues on the lines below. You can use Chapter 14, Sections 1 and 2 of the textbook to help you. The clues are in random order from these sections.

Across	
	6. an animal that does not have a backbone
	8. when an organism reproduces by turning one of its parts into the new organism
	12. an animal that has a backbone
	13. a specialized tissue that secretes the shell of snails, clams, and oysters
	15. a stiff but flexible rod that supports the body of a chordate
	17. a hard, external supporting structure for an animal
	18. an organism in early stages of development
	19. a group of organs that work together to perform a specific function (2 words)
Down	
	1. individual bony units that make up the backbone of an animal
	2. an organism that eats other organisms or organic matter
	3. reproduction in which parts of an organism break off and then develop into new individuals
	4. occurs when sex cells from two parents combine to form offspring (2 words)
	5. animals that rely upon the environment to maintain their body temperature
	7. the process through which the structure and function of the parts of an organism change to enable specialization of those parts
	9. small holes in the body of a sponge
	10. an organ through which nutrients and wastes are exchanged between the mother and developing offspring
	11. an organism made up of many cells
	13. a cup or bell-shaped body that has tentacles extending from it
	14. a body cavity that contains the internal organs of some organisms
	16. birds and mammals that maintain their own body temperatures by using some of the energy released by chemical reactions
	17. a name that means "spiny skinned"
	18. an internal skeleton made of bone and cartilage

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## extra nifty word bank

budding

coelom

consumer

differentiation

echinoderm

ectotherms

endoskeleton

endotherms

embryo

exoskeleton

fragmentation

invertebrate

mantle

medusa

multicellular

notochord

organ system

placenta

pores

sexual reproduction

vertebrae

vertebrate

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