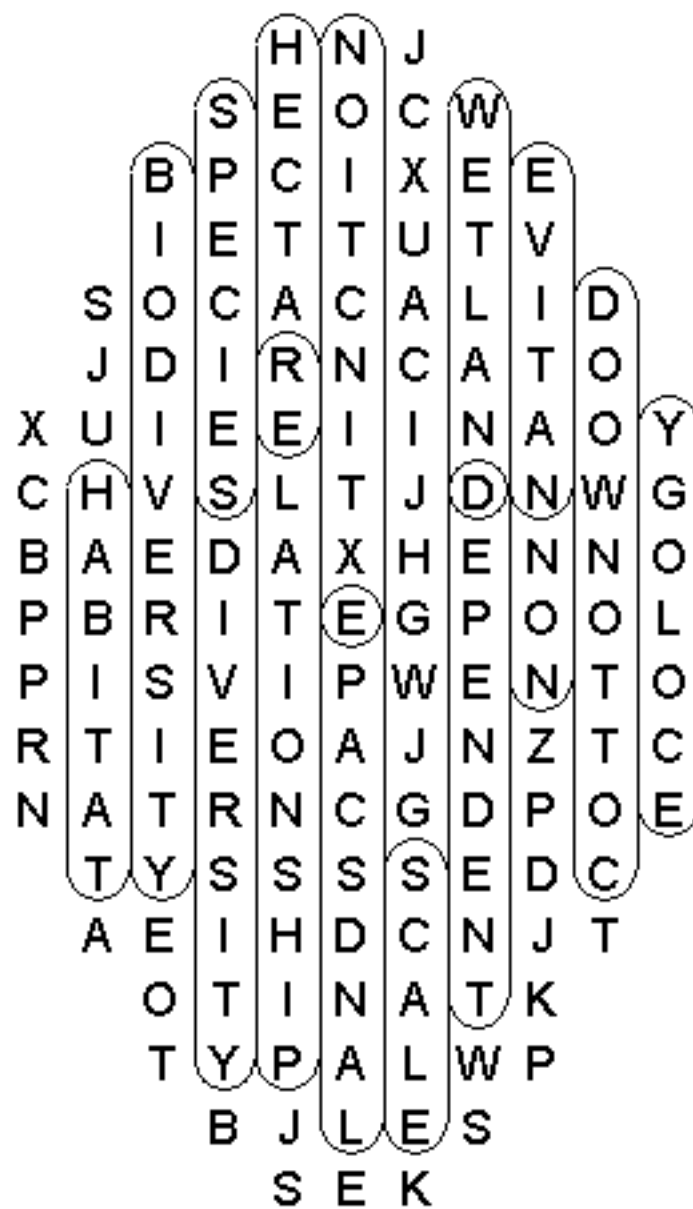


Goldfinch and the Three Scales



- (biodiversity) A measure of the differences between the types and numbers of living things in a natural area.
- (cottonwood) A type of poplar tree that has seeds with cottony hairs.
- (dependent) Relying on.
- (ecology) The study of the interactions of living things with one another and with their environment.
- (extinction) No longer existing.
- (habitat) The environment where a plant or animal normally grows and lives.
- (hectare) A metric measure of land area equal to .405 acre.
- (landscape) All of the land forms of a region.
- (native) Naturally occurring in an area.
- (nonnative) Not naturally occurring in an area.
- (relationship) When two or more things are connected in some fashion.
- (scale) When you observe something close up or far away, you are observing at different scales.
- (species) Groups of organisms that resemble one another in appearance, behavior, chemical processes, and genetic structure.
- (species diversity) Number of different types of plants or animals in an area.
- (wetland) Area of land with lots of soil moisture.