

Answer Keys to Boreal Forest Crossword Puzzles

The Forest

Across

1. A parasitic growth on trees. **fungus**
4. A clump of plants having a small, leafy, often tufted stem. **moss**
5. A bird belonging to the grouse family; unique to northern regions. **ptarmigan**
7. A river or lake pathway for boats **channel**
9. A plant organism, many-coloured, that grows on rocks and tree trunks. **lichen**
11. The fine branches of a coniferous tree **boughs**
13. The protective cover of a birch tree. **birchbark**
14. A marshy deposit of partly decayed vegetable matter **muskeg**
15. A place along a riverbank where the flowing water reverses its direction creating a circular flow of water **eddy**

Down

2. An upland bird; year-round resident of the boreal forest. **grouse**
3. A marmot; a mammal similar but larger than a ground squirrel. **whistler**
6. Natural environment of an animal or plant. **habitat**
7. Lake or river ice which, in the spring, is near breakup condition. **candlestick**
8. A landmark used by a traveler, coniferous tree. **lobstick**
10. The sap of trees. **gum**
11. Of, related to, or located in northern regions. **boreal**
12. Fallen Trees **deadwood**