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for

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## Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH Word List

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No. Word	Clue/Definition
1. AGES	He makes powders and potions.
2. AIR	Six of the mice were blown away by this in the duct.
3. ARTHUR	Chief engineer of the rat colony
4. BILLY	He captures Mrs. Frisby under a colander.
5. BONIFACE	Estate where the rats stayed after NIMH
6. BROOK	The Frisbys live near one in the summer.
7. BRUTUS	Huge rat revived after breathing the gas.
8. BUSH	Thorny covering over the entrance to the rat hole: rose ____
9. CAGE	Justin read instructions telling how to open the ____ door.
10. CAPACITY	The size of an animal's brain is no measure of its ____.
11. CARELESS	The men said they could capture the rats because they had become ____.
12. CHIPMUNKS	They tell Nicodemus to go to the owl.
13. CHRISTMAS	The rats stole most of the lights after this holiday.
14. CIVILIZATION	Nicodemus wants the rats to build their own ____, just like the Romans & others.
15. COLANDER	Billy uses it as a rat trap.
16. CONTROL	Group C was the ____ Group.
17. DRAGON	Cat that killed Jonathan Frisby
18. DUSK	Best time to talk to the owl
19. EIGHT	Number of mice the rats freed from their cages
20. ELECTROCUTED	Jenner and his group were ____ when trying to steal a motor.
21. EYE	Nicodemus has a patch over his left one.
22. FITZGIBBON	The farmer
23. FRISBY	She puts the sleeping powder in the cat's bowl.
24. GEORGE	Male assistant in the NIMH lab
25. GORDON	Owner of the Boniface Estate
26. HENDERSON	The local hardware store: ____'s
27. HOUSE	The Frisbys must move from theirs in the garden.
28. ISABELLA	Young female rat Mrs. Frisby encounters in the library
29. JENNER	Nicodemus's best friend growing up
30. JONATHAN	Mrs. Frisby's husband; also one of the mice
31. JULIE	Dr. Schultz's female assistant
32. JUSTIN	He helps Mrs. Frisby escape from Billy.
33. LEE	The Frisbys' house needs to be moved to the ____ of the stone.
34. LIBRARY	Where Mrs. Frisby waits for her first meeting with Nicodemus.
35. MARTIN	Timothy's older brother
36. MAZE	Set of corridors Nicodemus ran through while George watched
37. MECHANIZED	____ RATS INVADE HARDWARE STORE
38. MOUNTAINS	National forest where the rats decide to move while at Boniface: Thorn ____
39. MOVING	Mrs. Frisby worries about this while Timothy is sick: ____ Day
40. NEUROLOGIST	Dr. Schultz is one; expert on brains, nerves, intelligence
41. NICODEMUS	Leader of the rats
42. NIMH	Letters on the truck when Nicodemus & Jenner were captured
43. OWL	Oldest animal in the woods; he gives advice
44. PAUL	Farmer Fitzgibbon's oldest son
45. PEOPLE	Nicodemus re-names the 'rat race' to the '____ race.'
46. PIN	Part Farmer Fitzgibbon orders, which delays plowing: lynch ____
47. PLAN	Completion of it would eliminate stealing: The ____

Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH Fill In The Blanks 1

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Mrs. Frisby's neighbor
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Number of rats that escaped from NIMH
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Timothy's older brother
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. The Frisbys live near one in the summer.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Estate where the rats stayed after NIMH
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. The real treasure the rats find in the Toy Tinker's truck
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Best time to talk to the owl
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Leader of the rats
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. The Frisbys must move from theirs in the garden.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Isabella thinks Mrs. Frisby is one.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. Owner of the Boniface Estate
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. Creature that bit Timothy some time ago
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. Yellow canary, once the Fitzgibbons' pet
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. Nicodemus has a patch over his left one.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. The size of an animal's brain is no measure of its \_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16. Young female rat Mrs. Frisby encounters in the library
- \_\_\_\_\_ 17. Dr. Schultz is one; expert on brains, nerves, intelligence
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18. The rats learned to remove it and clean the house to avoid  
being found.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 19. Mrs. Frisby finds corn, nuts, and mushrooms there.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 20. Doctor who runs NIMH

Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH Matching 1

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|------------------|---|
| ___ 1. PORGY     | A. Isabella thinks Mrs. Frisby is one.  |
| ___ 2. CHRISTMAS | B. The Frisbys must move from theirs in the garden.                             |
| ___ 3. SPY       | C. Nicodemus re-names the 'rat race' to the '___ race.'                         |
| ___ 4. NICODEMUS | D. Huge rat revived after breathing the gas.                                    |
| ___ 5. ISABELLA  | E. Leader of the rats   |
| ___ 6. COLANDER  | F. The rats stole most of the lights after this holiday.                        |
| ___ 7. MARTIN    | G. Yellow canary, once the Fitzgibbons' pet                                     |
| ___ 8. LIBRARY   | H. Owner of the Boniface Estate   |
| ___ 9. HOUSE     | I. The Frisbys' house needs to be moved to the ___ of the stone.                |
| ___ 10. SPIDER   | J. The real treasure the rats find in the Toy Tinker's truck                    |
| ___ 11. TOOLS    | K. Young female rat Mrs. Frisby encounters in the library                       |
| ___ 12. JUSTIN   | L. Chief engineer of the rat colony   |
| ___ 13. SCHULTZ  | M. Creature that bit Timothy some time ago                                      |
| ___ 14. EYE      | N. Timothy's older brother  |
| ___ 15. RABIES   | O. Number of rats that escaped from NIMH  |
| ___ 16. BRUTUS   | P. Oldest animal in the woods; he gives advice                                  |
| ___ 17. LEE      | Q. Paul thinks the Public Health Service is investigating this disease in rats. |
| ___ 18. ARTHUR   | R. Billy uses it as a rat trap.   |
| ___ 19. SHOCK    | S. Where Mrs. Frisby waits for her first meeting with Nicodemus.                |
| ___ 20. TWENTY   | T. Nicodemus has a patch over his left one.                                     |
| ___ 21. BROOK    | U. She puts the sleeping powder in the cat's bowl.                              |
| ___ 22. PEOPLE   | V. Doctor who runs NIMH   |
| ___ 23. OWL      | W. He helps Mrs. Frisby escape from Billy.                                      |
| ___ 24. FRISBY   | X. The Frisbys live near one in the summer.                                     |
| ___ 25. GORDON   | Y. Rats get this through the maze floor when they go the wrong way.             |

Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH Magic Squares 1

Match the definition with the vocabulary word. Put your answers in the magic squares below. When your answers are correct, all columns and rows will add to the same number.

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|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| A. LIBRARY   | G. BUSH   | M. GORDON    |
| B. STEALING  | H. OWL    | N. FRISBY    |
| C. STUMP     | I. PIN    | O. BONIFACE  |
| D. CONTROL   | J. THORN  | P. CHIPMUNKS |
| E. MOUNTAINS | K. MOVING |              |
| F. LEE       | L. DUSK   |              |

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|---|--|
| 1. She puts the sleeping powder in the cat's bowl.                | 9. National forest where the rats decide to move while at Boniface: Thorn ____ |
| 2. Thorny covering over the entrance to the rat hole: rose ____   | 10. They tell Nicodemus to go to the owl.                                      |
| 3. Best time to talk to the owl                                   | 11. Mrs. Frisby finds corn, nuts, and mushrooms there.                         |
| 4. Where Mrs. Frisby waits for her first meeting with Nicodemus.  | 12. Place Nicodemus wants to move the rat colony: ____ Valley                  |
| 5. Mrs. Frisby worries about this while Timothy is sick: ____ Day | 13. Group C was the ____ Group.  |
| 6. The Plan is to learn to live without ____.                     | 14. Part Farmer Fitzgibbon orders, which delays plowing: lynch ____            |
| 7. Owner of the Boniface Estate                                   | 15. The Frisbys' house needs to be moved to the ____ of the stone.             |
| 8. Oldest animal in the woods; he gives advice                    | 16. Estate where the rats stayed after NIMH                                    |

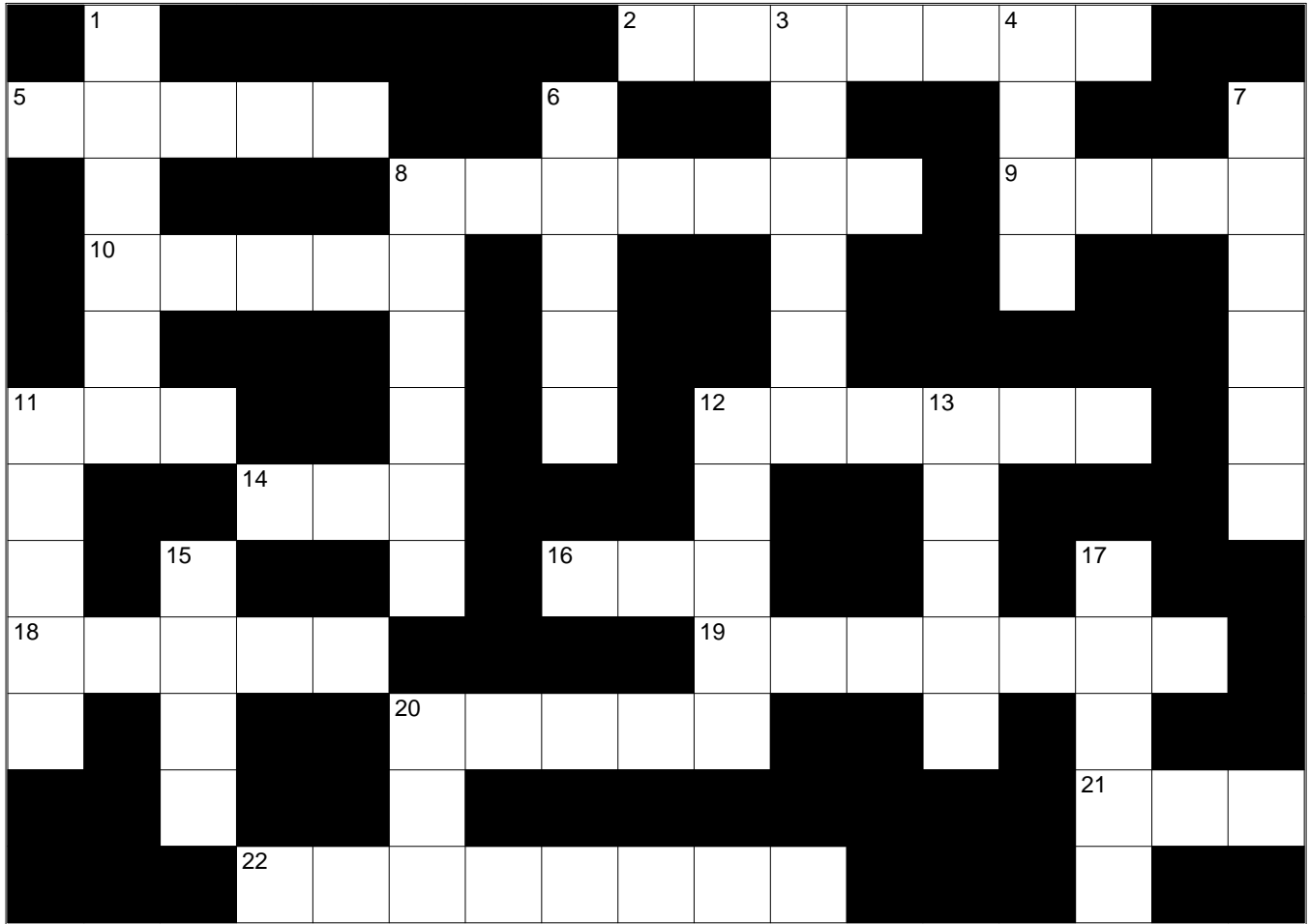
A=	B=	C=	D=
E=	F=	G=	H=
I=	J=	K=	L=
M=	N=	O=	P=

Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH Word Search 1



- Best time to talk to the owl (4)
- Cat that killed Jonathan Frisby (6)
- Completion of it would eliminate stealing: The \_\_\_\_ (4)
- Creature that bit Timothy some time ago (6)
- Dr. Schultz's female assistant (5)
- Farmer Fitzgibbon's oldest son (4)
- Farming tool Nicodemus designs for the rats to use (4)
- Group C was the \_\_\_\_ Group. (7)
- He captures Mrs. Frisby under a colander. (5)
- He makes powders and potions. (4)
- Huge rat revived after breathing the gas. (6)
- Isabella thinks Mrs. Frisby is one. (3)
- Justin read instructions telling how to open the \_\_\_\_ door. (4)
- Letters on the truck when Nicodemus & Jenner were captured (4)
- Location of Mrs. Frisby's hiding hole: fence \_\_\_\_ (4)
- Most important skill the rats learn in NIMH (7)
- Mrs. Frisby finds corn, nuts, and mushrooms there. (5)
- Mrs. Frisby worries about this while Timothy is sick: \_\_\_\_ Day (6)
- Mrs. Frisby's husband; also one of the mice (8)
- Mrs. Frisby's neighbor (5)
- Nicodemus & the rats found tools in his truck: \_\_\_\_ Tinker (3)
- Nicodemus has a patch over his left one. (3)
- Nicodemus's best friend growing up (6)
- Number of mice the rats freed from their cages (5)
- Number of rat groups in the NIMH lab (5)
- Number of rats that escaped from NIMH (6)
- Oldest animal in the woods; he gives advice (3)
- Owner of the Boniface Estate (6)
- Part Farmer Fitzgibbon orders, which delays plowing: lynch \_\_\_\_ (3)
- Rats get this through the maze floor when they go the wrong way. (5)
- Set of corridors Nicodemus ran through while George watched (4)
- Six of the mice were blown away by this in the duct. (3)
- The Frisbys' house needs to be moved to the \_\_\_\_ of the stone. (3)
- The rats learned to remove it and clean the house to avoid being found. (5)
- The rats spent their time reading and learning to \_\_\_\_ at Boniface Estate. (5)
- The rats stole most of the lights after this holiday. (9)
- They tell Nicodemus to go to the owl. (9)
- Thorny covering over the entrance to the rat hole: rose \_\_\_\_ (4)
- Timothy's older brother (6)
- Where Mrs. Frisby waits for her first meeting with Nicodemus. (7)
- Yellow canary, once the Fitzgibbons' pet (5)
- Young female rat Mrs. Frisby encounters in the library (8)

Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH Crossword 1



Across

- 2. Most important skill the rats learn in NIMH
- 5. The Frisbys live near one in the summer.
- 8. Doctor who runs NIMH
- 9. Set of corridors Nicodemus ran through while George watched
- 10. Mrs. Frisby finds corn, nuts, and mushrooms there.
- 11. Nicodemus has a patch over his left one.
- 12. Huge rat revived after breathing the gas.
- 14. The Frisbys' house needs to be moved to the \_\_\_ of the stone.
- 16. Oldest animal in the woods; he gives advice
- 18. The Frisbys must move from theirs in the garden.
- 19. Where Mrs. Frisby waits for her first meeting with Nicodemus.
- 20. Yellow canary, once the Fitzgibbons' pet
- 21. Nicodemus & the rats found tools in his truck: \_\_\_ Tinker
- 22. Estate where the rats stayed after NIMH

Down

- 1. She puts the sleeping powder in the cat's bowl.
- 3. Chief engineer of the rat colony
- 4. Letters on the truck when Nicodemus & Jenner were captured
- 6. Rats get this through the maze floor when they go the wrong way.
- 7. Male assistant in the NIMH lab
- 8. Creature that bit Timothy some time ago
- 11. Number of mice the rats freed from their cages
- 12. He captures Mrs. Frisby under a colander.
- 13. Place Nicodemus wants to move the rat colony: \_\_\_ Valley
- 15. Thorny covering over the entrance to the rat hole: rose \_\_\_
- 17. The rats spent their time reading and learning to \_\_\_ at Boniface Estate.
- 20. Part Farmer Fitzgibbon orders, which delays plowing: lynch \_\_\_



## Mrs Frisby

BUSH	PEOPLE	ARTHUR	FITZGIBBON	SULLIVAN
STEALING	GEORGE	CAPACITY	BILLY	LEE
EIGHT	NEUROLOGIST	FREE SPACE	DUSK	TWENTY
SHOCK	BRUTUS	AIR	TOY	MECHANIZED
CHIPMUNKS	SCHULTZ	THREAD	CARELESS	JENNER

## Mrs Frisby

CAGE	CONTROL	THREE	MOVING	CIVILIZATION
PLAN	SHREW	HENDERSON	NIMH	MOUNTAINS
BROOK	THORN	FREE SPACE	MAZE	MARTIN
NICODEMUS	POST	READING	PLOW	AGES
COLANDER	JULIE	PIN	RABIES	BONIFACE