

These icy stories are from pages 3, 4, 5 and 23 of *First News*. Read the news stories then try the puzzle. To help you, we have underlined the answers to the crossword puzzle clues in the articles – but you will need to match the correct word with each clue!



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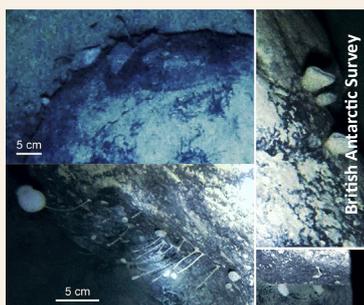
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LONDON, UK



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BRRR-ILLIANT ART

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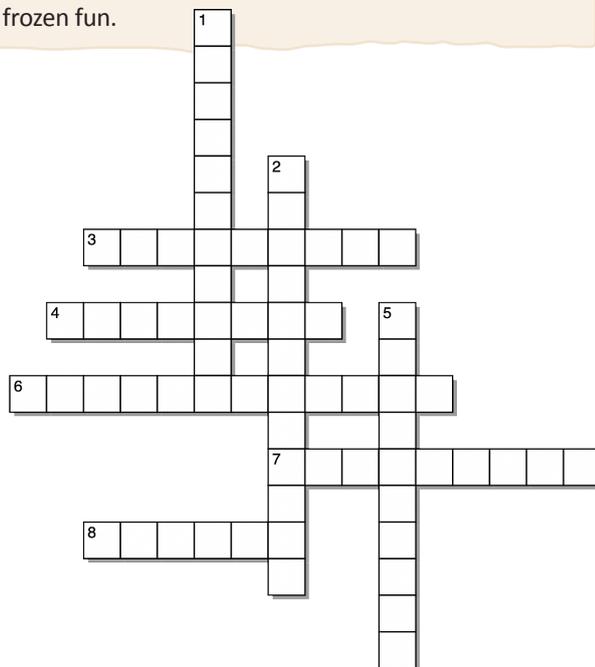


ACROSS

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- 4) Was calculated at; was the size of (in metres) (past participle 8)
- 6) By chance; inadvertently (adverb 12)
- 7) From the Latin 'fons', meaning a source or spring, these pieces of architecture pour water into a basin or jet it into the air to supply drinking water and/or for a decorative or dramatic effect (plural noun 9)
- 8) Relating to, or found in, the sea (adjective 6)

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- 1) A measure of the warmth or coldness of an object or substance, using a thermometer (noun 11)
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- 5) People who freely offer to take part in something (plural noun 10)



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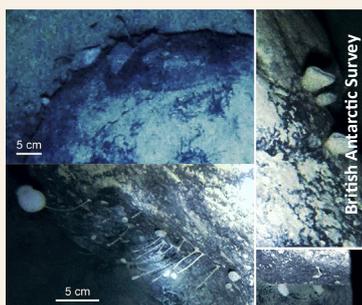


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