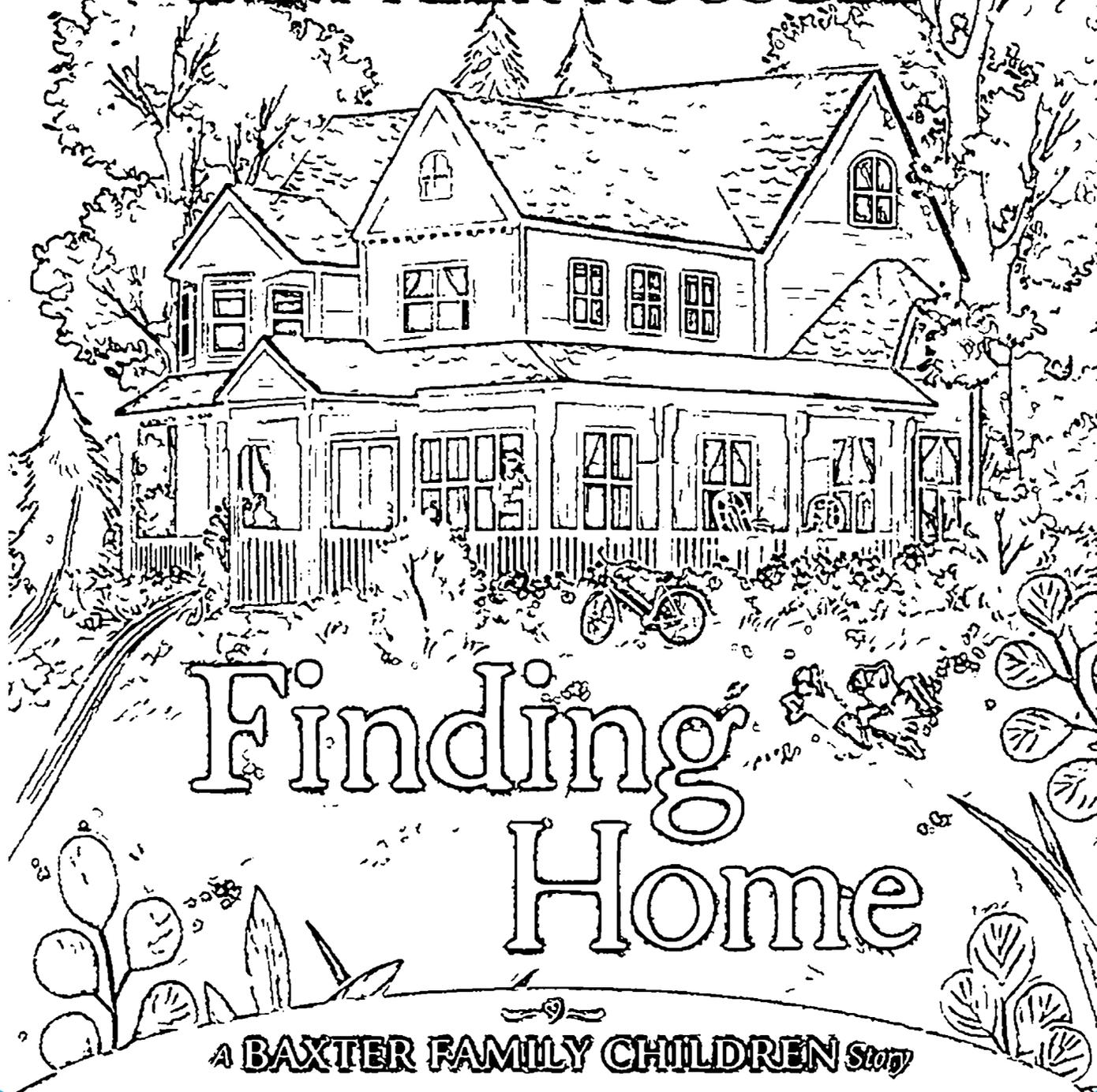


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A BAXTER FAMILY CHILDREN Story

# FINDING HOME

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BAXTER

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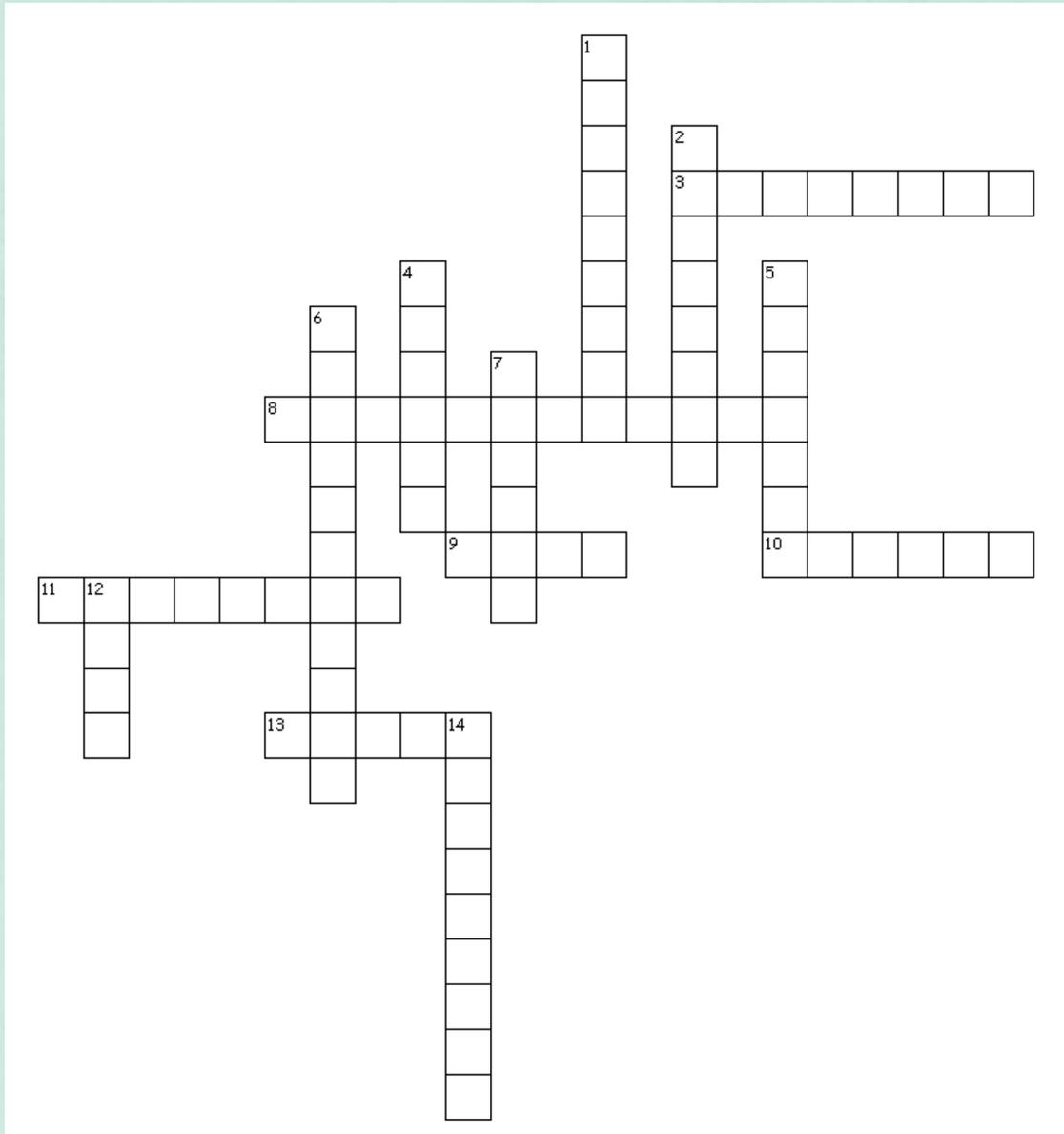
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ZOO

GUM

GYMNASTICS

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## Across

3. What did the kids buy Mom for her birthday?
8. What high school sporting event do the Baxters go to toward the end of Finding Home?
9. Kari had an idea for all her siblings to paint this.
10. Who is one of Ashley's new friends who likes aliens?
11. What new sport does Kari try?
13. What did the kids help Dad paint on one of the first days in their new home?

## Down

1. What gymnastics move did Ashley do on Lake Monroe?
2. What did Ashley accidently drop on her teachers' head at the back-to-school night?
4. What is one of Ashley's favorite candies?
5. What subject is Brooke's Volcano project for?
6. What city in Indiana did the Baxter family move to?
7. Who gets lost with Ashley at the Zoo?
12. What does Ashley think she hears outside her window on the first night in the new house?
14. What did Kari borrow of Mom's that messed up her hair?

# Activities With Your Family and Friends

1. Look for a special place in your home, or neighborhood, that is your “special rock” – a place to dream and pray and explore.
2. Get some friends together, either in your neighborhood or at recess, and play a game of kickball. 
3. Draw a picture of doing something you love, like a sport, hobby, or after school activity. 
4. Make an unlikely friend at school and invite them to sit with you at lunch. Write about that experience. 
5. Plan a birthday surprise for someone in your life. Make them a card or have an adult help you cook a treat for them: 

## Did You Know?

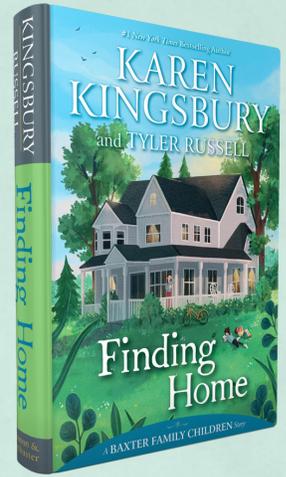
- Bloomington, Indiana has been ranked as the 7th smartest city in America. 
- Most floor routines in Gymnastics are done on a springy floor to help the athlete complete their tricks. 
- The average high school swimmer swims 1 million strokes per season. Talk about a good workout!

### Cross Word Puzzle Answer Key

Across: 3. Cat Clock 8. Football Game 9. Rock 10. Elliot 11. Swimming 13. Porch  
Down: 1. Cartwheel 2. Ice Cream 4. Mentos 5. Science 6. Bloomington 7. Landon 12. Wolf 14. Hairspray

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## Family Reader Guide



### Questions for Around the Dinner Table

1. Have you ever had a hard time meeting a new friend? What did you do?
2. What is your favorite animal at the zoo? 
3. Ashley got embarrassed at the Back to School night when she accidentally spilled ice cream on her teacher. Have you ever been embarrassed? How did you respond? What is the best thing to do when we get embarrassed? 
4. In the story, Mom and Dad talk about having an attitude of gratitude. What are you grateful for?
5. If you could do swimming or gymnastics, which would you choose? Why? 
6. In one chapter, Ashley and Kari's mom helped someone who was in need. How can you help people who need it?
7. If your class took a field trip, where would you want to go? 
8. God is always listening. Do you ever talk to Him? What do you say?
9. What is your favorite thing about your school? 
10. Ashley likes to draw and Kari likes to journal. This is how they relax. What is your way to relax at the end of the day?