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| **Across**  **1.**  a connection, association, or involvement.  **5.** an educational institution or establishment, in particular one providing higher education or specialized professional or vocational training.  **12.** a group of people living in the same place or having a particular characteristic in common.  **15.** the subjects comprising a course of study in a school or college.  **16.** a school for the first four to six grades, and usually including kindergarten.  **17.** the imparting or exchanging of information or news.  **18.** a set of circumstances that makes it possible to do something. | **Down**  **2.** the quality of being committed to a task or purpose.  **3.** leave one's job and cease to work, typically upon reaching the normal age for leaving employment.  **4.**  a person who teaches, especially in a school.  **6.** the state or quality of being dedicated to a cause, activity, etc.  **7.** the quality or state of being prepared to do something; readiness.  **8.** the subjects comprising a course of study in a school or college.  **9.** the general desire or willingness of someone to do something.  **10.** A type of reward that gives monetary incentives that an employee earns as a result of good performance.  **11.** the fact or condition of being involved with or participating in something.  **13.** an academic degree awarded by universities or colleges upon completion of a course of study demonstrating mastery or a high-order overview of a specific field of study or area of professional practice.  **14.**  an occupation undertaken for a significant period of a person's life and with opportunities for progress. |