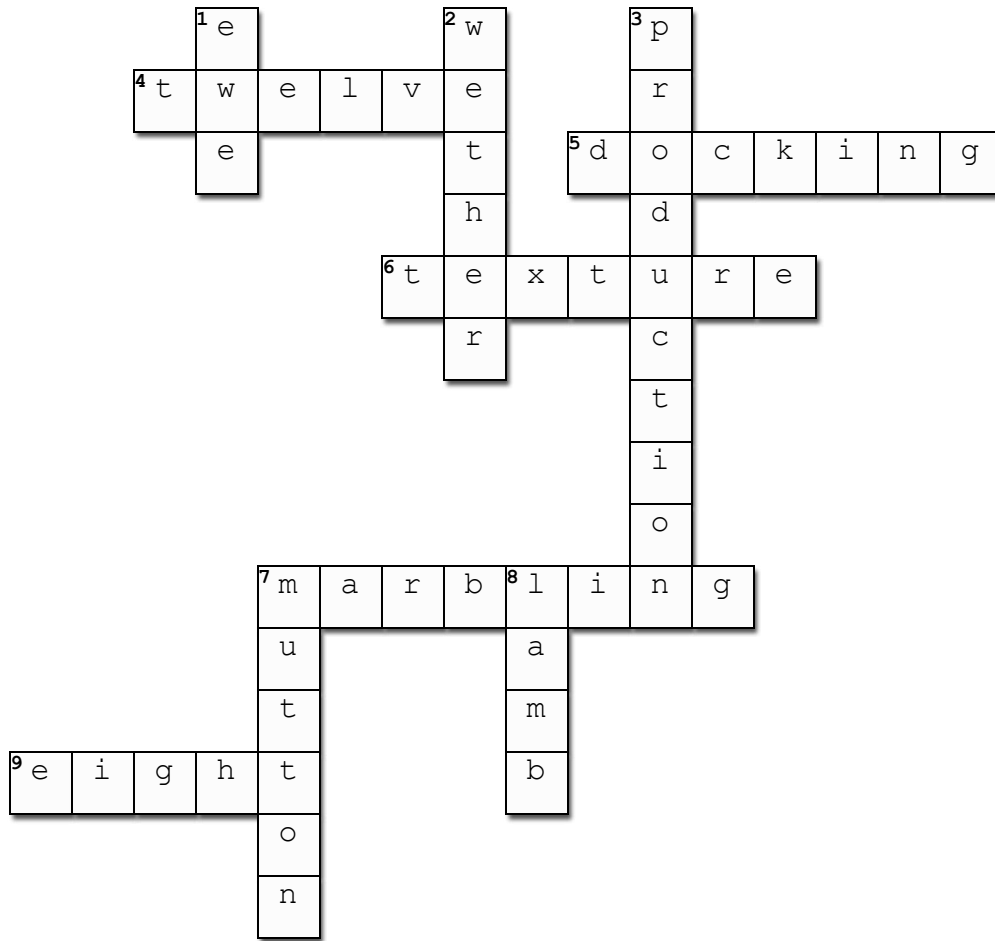


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Sheep Lifecycle

Complete the crossword puzzle below



Across

4. Lambs typically weigh eight to _____ pounds at birth. (**twelve**)
5. After birth, lambs may undergo _____, which shortens the tail to improve health and welfare. (**docking**)
6. The breed influences muscling and marbling, affecting the flavor and _____ of the meat. (**texture**)
7. Small amounts of fat within the meat that help add flavor and tenderness. (**marbling**)
9. Lambs are typically finished in six to _____ months (**eight**)

Down

1. An adult female sheep. (**ewe**)
2. A ram lamb may be kept intact for breeding purposes or castrated before six weeks of age, becoming a _____. (**wether**)
3. Wethers and ewes may be managed together while being raised for meat _____. (**production**)
7. Meat from a sheep that is older than one year of age. (**mutton**)
8. A sheep that is less than one year of age. (**lamb**)