Deserts

**ACROSS**

3 Graph showing temperature and rainfall over 12 months
6 Hills of sand
9 Amount of water vapour in the atmosphere
11 Isolated rocky outcrop or ridge that resists erosion
14 Coastal desert on western side of southern Africa
17 Flat-topped tableland with steep sides
18 Hot desert covering north-western parts of India and east Pakistan
20 Plants that have adapted for long-term dry climate survival
21 Animals that consume only plants

**DOWN**

1 Coober ____, a remote desert town and opal capital north of Adelaide
2 Desert people from the Gobi regions
4 Fertile desert location with a water supply
5 Desert lake or basin that becomes a salt pan when its water evaporates
7 Solid core of an eroded mesa before it becomes a chimney
8 Describes air pressure around the tropics
10 An optical illusion often seen in deserts
12 Crescent-shaped sand dunes moulded by the wind
13 Circular tent home for many Mongols
15 Spiny desert tree from the pea family with roots up to 100m long
16 Any landmass that receives less than 240mm of annual rainfall
19 Desert gully or intermittent stream prone to sudden flood surges