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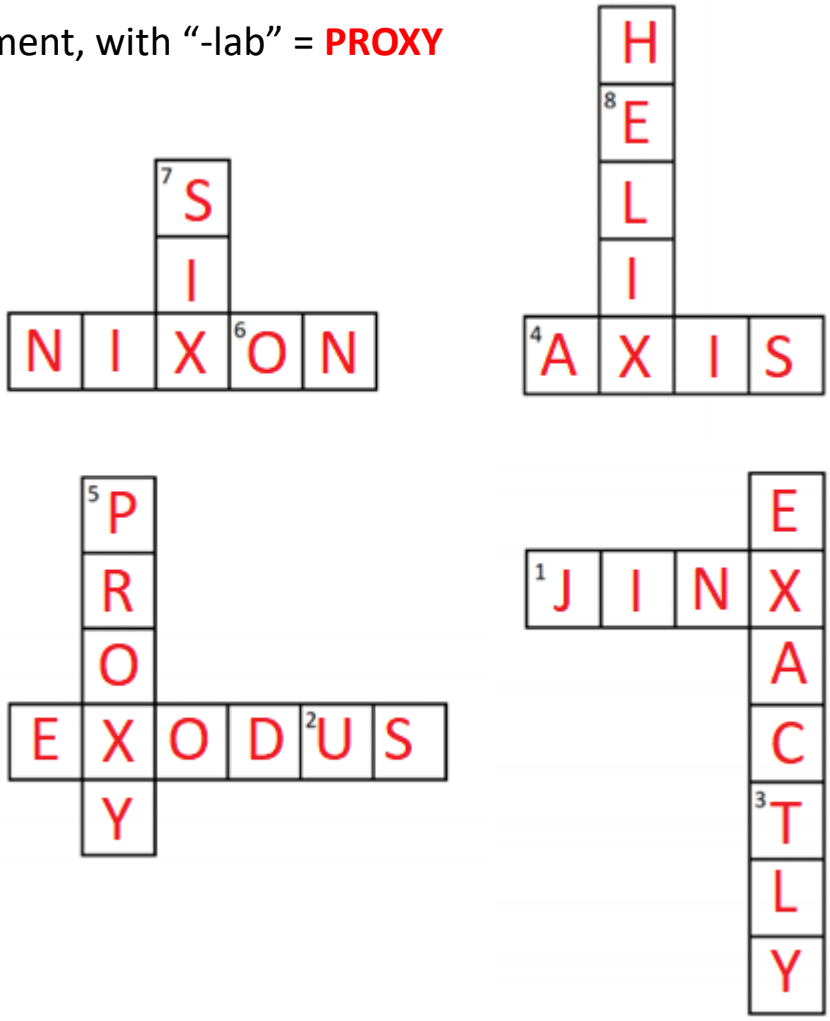
LEVEL 2 ACCESS

FIXING THE LASERS

The given categories are fairly broad, but looking at the smaller ones, as well as thinking about what "where the beams crossed" looks like, leads you to realize that each category contains exactly one element with an X in it. (The clues are given in alphabetical order by answer, to further confirm this.) These X's are also the intersection points in the grids below, giving each word a unique position:

- WW2's _____ Powers = **AXIS**
- Word in the last sentence of this puzzle's flavortext = **EXACTLY**
- Book of the Pentateuch (in English) = **EXODUS**
- Type of fossil in Pokemon Red/Blue = **HELIX**
- Member of the H.I.V.E. Five = **JINX**
- U.S. President = **NIXON**
- 15-213 homework assignment, with "-lab" = **PROXY**
- One-digit number = **SIX**

Reading the numbered boxes in order then gives the string JUTAPOSE. The final step, of course, is to add an X to get the answer, **JUXTAPOSE**.