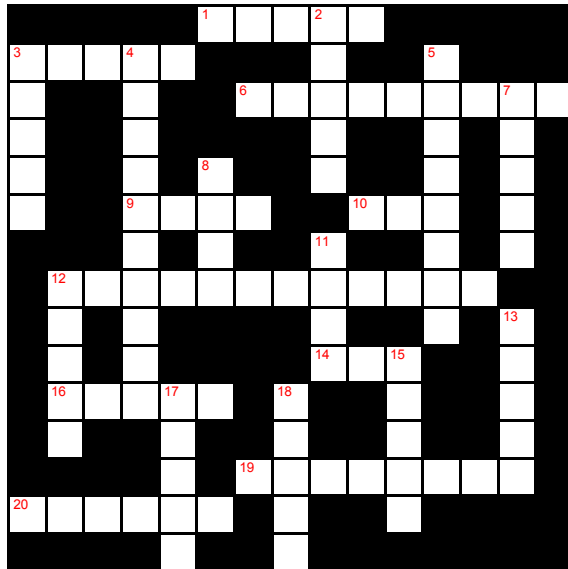


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## Across

- 1 A deceptive shot, apparently soft, but transformed into a faster shot by quick wrist and forearm rotation. (5)
- 3 Hard-hit overhand shot that forces the shuttle sharply downward. Badminton's primary attacking stroke. (5)
- 6 Front third of the court, between the net and the short service line. (9)
- 9 The shuttlecock. (4)
- 10 A common name for the racket. (3)
- 12 An area in the center of the court where a singles player usually wants to be positioned after each shot. (4,8)

- 14 A legitimate cessation of play to allow a rally to be replayed. (3)
- 16 A shot, similar to the lob in tennis, that is hit over the opponent's head, usually to a point near the back boundary line. (5)
- 19 The middle third of the court, halfway between the net and the back boundary line. (8)
- 20 The bat, that has a nearly round face, about 7 inches across, and a long, thin handle. (6)

## Down

- 2 The illegal act of catching the shuttlecock on the racket and then slinging rather than striking it. (5)
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catching the shuttlecock on the racket and then slinging rather than striking it. A.k.a. carry. (5)

- 4 A doubles formation in which each partner is responsible for one side of the court. (4-2-4)
- 5 A system of playing doubles, used only by experts, in which the partners keep circling counterclockwise. (8)
- 7 Exchange of shots while shuttle is in play. (5)
- 8 A shot hit softly and with finesse to fall rapidly and close to the net on the opponent's side. (4)

- 11 A smash from near the net. (4)
- 12 A shot, usually from near the net, on which the racket is not swung, but simply used as a "backboard" to return the shuttlecock. (5)
- 13 The play area, which is 17 by 44 feet for singles, 20 by 44 feet for doubles. (5)
- 15 The illegal act of catching the shuttlecock on the racket and then slinging rather than striking it. (5)
- 17 Extension of the court by 1 1/2 feet on both sides for doubles play. (5)
- 18 A hard, low shot that travels almost horizontally. (5)