Sidecar's Blueprints

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There's nothing tricky about the word search grid; ten words of four or more letters can be found right away as given. The problem is that they don't match the clues. Eventually you should notice that they do match the clues if you put certain letters in front of them: N for words reading upwards, W for leftwards, SE for down and to the right, and so forth. The compass directions should help you track down any missing grid / clue pairs. Indexing into the shorter words gives SPIH and FLAILS, which is a similar grid / clue pair indicating the answer, WHIPS.

Clue	Direction	Word in grid
Abrasion [3]	S	CU F F
Gulp [2]	sw	ALLOW
Slender [1]	N	A RROW
Recursing [3]	NE	STING
Fully [3]	W	HOLLY
Property [1]	Е	S TATE
Pasta [6]	N	OODLE S
Games [1]	S	PORTS
Swap [1]	SW	ITCH
Quest [4]	SE	ARC H