

The Great TV Rebellion, Day 1: Scavenger Hunt

It's time to start discovering nature! Find yourself a wild place, whether it's your backyard, a park, down by a river, or up in the hills, and see if you can find all of these objects. Don't forget to draw or describe your favorite in your nature notebook. What did you find?

☐ Something soft ☐ Something spiky	☐ Something new ☐ Something sharp	☐ Something very dry ☐ Something an animal has left behind
☐ Something smooth	☐ Something with a shell	☐ Something a human has left behind
\square Something strong	\square Something closed	☐ Something ugly
lacksquare Something fragile	\square Something open	☐ Something beautiful
\square Something old	\square Something moist	



Did you know?

By using tiny, microscopic structures that mimic butterfly wings, scientists have created paints, fabrics, and cosmetics that use less energy to make and don't contain harmful materials.

That's biomimicry!

Learn more at AskNature.org

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The Great TV Rebellion, Day 2: Animal Tracks

Did you find many animal tracks in your neighborhood? Draw an outline of each track you found and note where you found them:



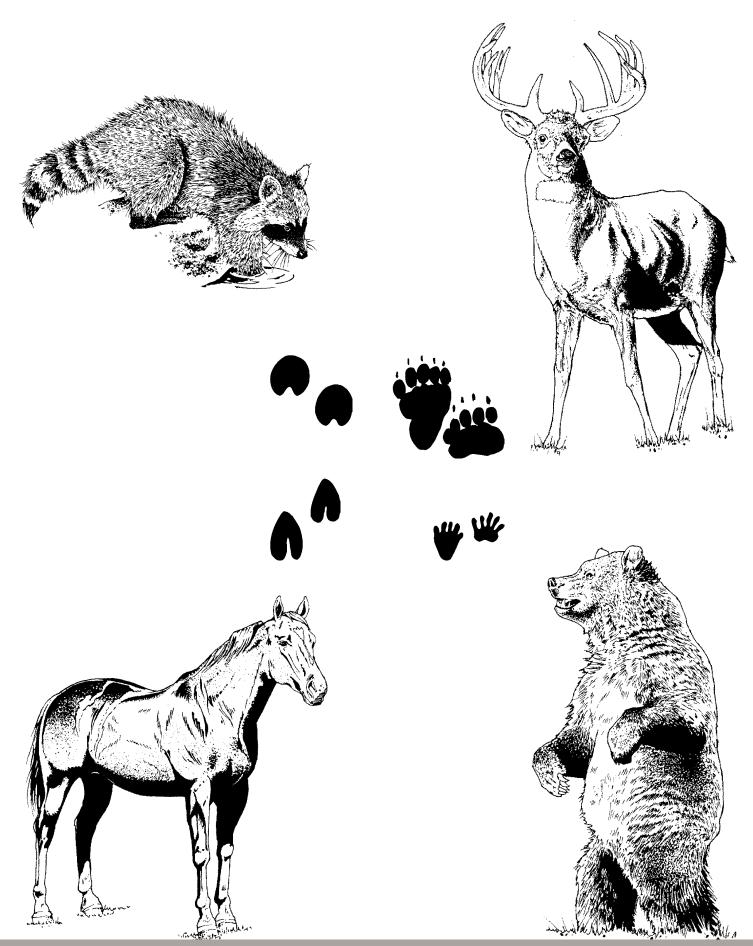
Did you know?

Bones don't weigh very much (they're filled with holes!) but are still extremely strong. Engineers mimic bones to design car frames that are very lightweight, strong, and safe.

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The Great TV Rebellion, Day 3:

Birds

These birds lost their branches, trees, and nests! Can you draw them in?









What do you think the eagles are about to eat? Draw their food in!

Did you know?

A toucan's beak is 1/3 of its size and incredibly hard, yet it is light-weight enough that the bird can still fly. Humans can mimic the hard, foam-like beak to create strong, yet lightweight structures.

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The Great TV Rebellion, Day 4: Earth Day!

"It was planned for April 22nd, 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Every kid in the whole world knew exactly what to do..."

What did you do for Earth Day? Draw or describe your adventure here:



Did you know?

Penguins don't really swim underwater: they "fly." German engineers have mimicked this technique and designed a robot to swim with great flexibility and avoid collisions with obstacles.

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The Great TV Rebellion, Day 5: Nature at Night

Were there interesting insects that visited your sheet and light? Did you build a burrow or nest like an animal? If so, which animal? Draw your den or note your discoveries below:



Did you know?

Bats are able to find food and dodge obstacles on very dark nights using sonar. Scientists have mimicked this to create a cane for the visually impaired that uses ultrasonic pulses of sound to sense upcoming obstacles.

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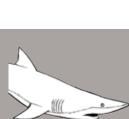
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The Great TV Rebellion, Day 6: Water World

Did you capture anything interesting in your sieve? Tadpoles? Insects? What did you see with your underwater observation scope? Did you see anything unusual? Unexpected? Draw or note your discoveries below:



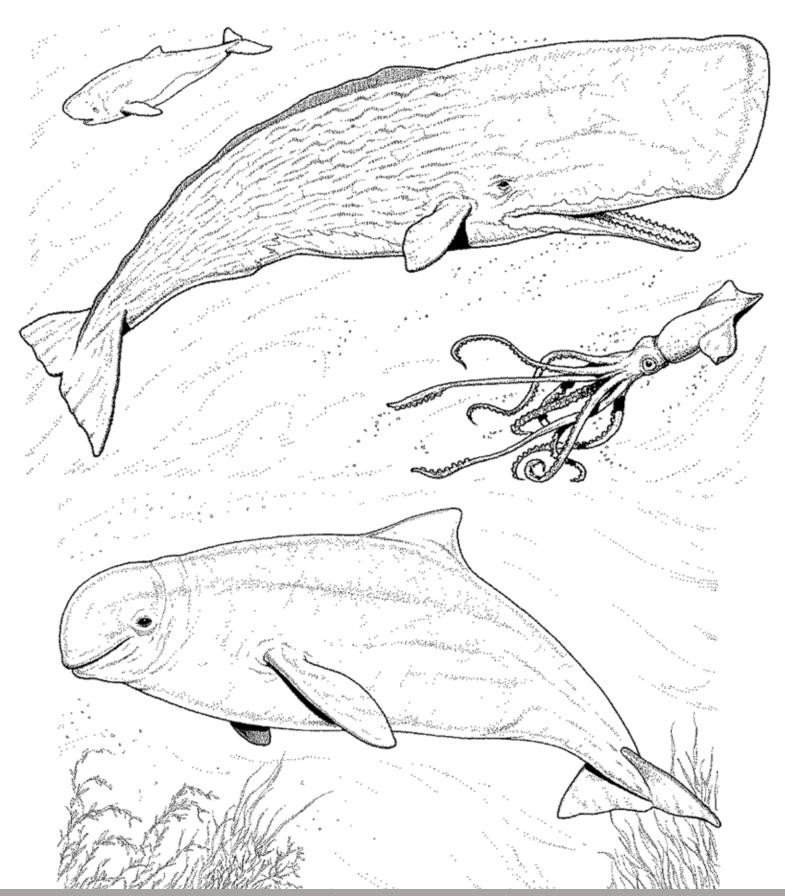
Did you know?

Barnacles, algae, bacteria, and other sea creatures try to attach onto a shark's skin, but they can't take hold and simply wash away. Scientists are trying to copy the structure of shark skin to create products and surfaces that germs cannot stick to.

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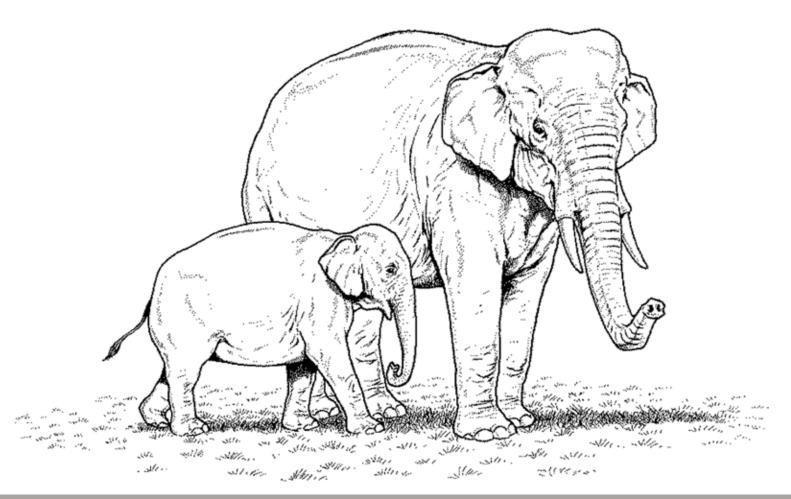


The Great TV Rebellion, Day 7: Putting it all together

Look at the pages of your Nature Journal and think about all the things you saw and experienced during The Great TV Rebellion. Try drawing, painting, or designing an image that incorporates everything you experienced into one colorful, "nature-ful" mural.

Don't forget to submit your stories to www.biomimicryinstitute.org/tv2010

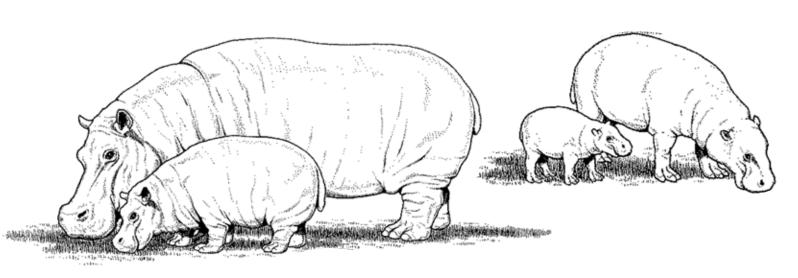
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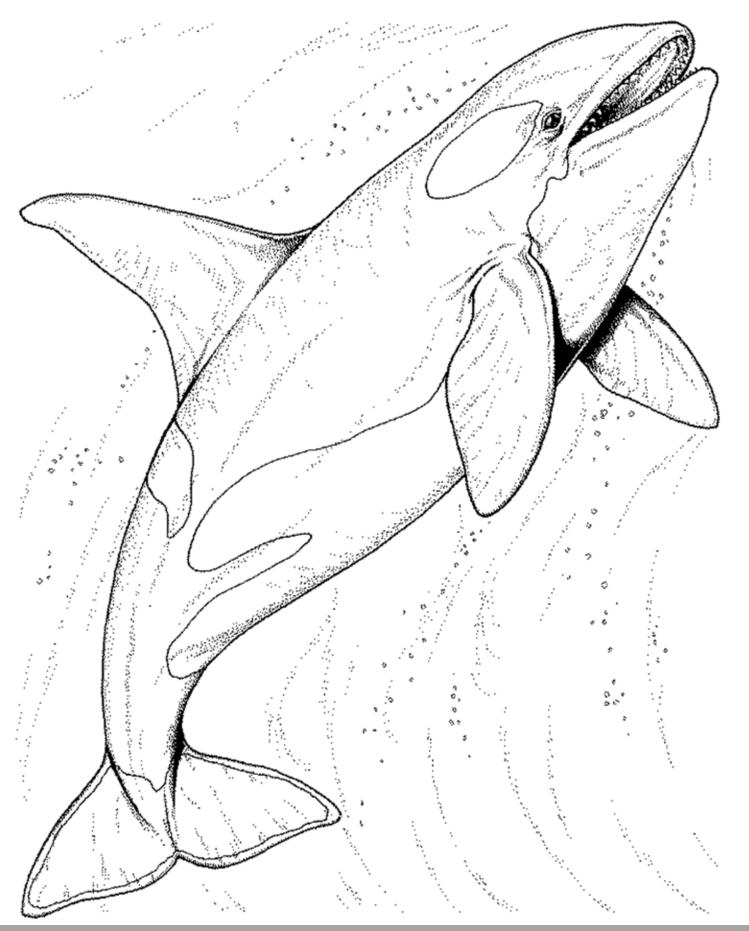
Elephants never forget...

Neither should you! You could win a super cool camping pad, water bottle, or camp chair from Pacific Outdoor Equipment plus other great prizes when you submit a story about your experience during Earth Week.

Submit your story to: www.biomimicryinstitute.org/tv2010



NOTE: While we encourage everyone worldwide to participate in The Great TV Rebellion and to share their stories, participants must reside in the United States to be eligible for prize drawings.



Killer job, TV Rebel. We'll see you next year!