

## Museum of Natural Science Info-Hunt – Primary Level

Go to the fossil section of the museum.

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1. There is a giant fossil reptile high on the wall. What is it called? \_\_\_\_\_
2. There is a fish fossil that looks like it has a tail at both ends. What is really happening here?



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3. In the big window, find the fossil of the False Saber Tooth Cat. List three things that let you know he is a predator.
  - 1.
  - 2.
  - 3.
4. High on the wall find the killer fish fossil with its mouth open. What do we think this shark ate?



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5. What is the name of the largest dinosaur in the museum? Why did you answer as you did?
6. Beside the Triceratops is a group of rocks labeled Coprolite. Read the card and look at the Coprolite. What is it?



Go to the shell section of the museum.

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7. What is the name of the Texas state shell?
8. Name & draw a shell from the Texas Coast collection. If you have ever found a shell like this one, draw a smiling face next to it.



Go through the archway in the shell collection to answer the next 2 questions.

9. In this room there is an old sandal. What animal made its home there?
10. Find the operculum in the shell growth window. How does the operculum protect the shell?



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Go to the Wildlife section of the museum.

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10. Name two birds that you would see at the beach.

- 1.
- 2.

11. Locate the large forest scene. Name a mammal, a reptile and a bird in this display.

Mammal:

Reptile:

Bird:

12. Among the butterflies is a giant flying beetle. Where did this beetle live?



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Go to the Rock & Mineral collection.

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13. Find the SILICATES, a kind of rock. Numbers 5, 7, and 9 are quartz crystals. What COLORS are these crystals? \_\_\_\_\_ (5) \_\_\_\_\_ (7)  
\_\_\_\_\_ (9)

14. In the dark curtained room, how do the lights change the rocks?



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Go to the Hall of Archaeology.

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15. Look in the middle window on the right and list 3 objects made by North Americans long ago.

- 1
- 2
- 3



Go to number 1