



HORSESHOE CRAB

SCAVENGER HUNT

See if you can find these objects around your house or in your yard.

Check off what you can find!

- Horseshoe crabs are living fossils and have been around for over 350 million years.** Is there something you have in your house that is really old?

Draw it here.

- Horseshoe crabs have a hard outer shell called an exoskeleton that helps protect them.** Is there something in your house that has a hard protective layer?

Write it here.

- Horseshoe crabs are named because of their U-shaped bodies that look like horseshoes.** Can you find something U-shaped in your house?

Write it here.



- Horseshoe crab blood is blue and is used by doctors and scientists.** Can you find something that is blue?

Write it here.



- A horseshoe crab's telson (tail) helps flip the crab over.** Is there something in your house or yard that flips or turns over?

Write it here.

- Horseshoe crabs have spines down their carapace (shell).** Can you find something that has spines on it?

Draw it here.

- Horseshoe crabs come onto the beaches to lay their eggs during a full moon.** Is there something in your house that is the shape of a full moon?

Write it here.



- Horseshoe crab eggs are an important food source for shorebirds.** Can you find a bird outside or in a book in your house?

Draw it here.

