

Scarborough Marsh Audubon Center

Canoe Scavenger Hunt

Name: _____

Please don't take anything from the marsh, just check off items listed when you find them. It's okay if you don't find everything on the list; just keep your eyes and ears open and be a good detective. On the back is space to write down more things you see. **See how many you can find!**

_____ **SNOWY EGRET** (*white bird with yellow feet*)

_____ **CORD GRASS** (*tall grass right by the river*)

_____ **BIRD HOUSE**

_____ **ALGAE**

_____ **TREE SWALLOW** (*blue bird that swoops and eats bugs*)

_____ **SALT HAY** (*shorter grass back from the edge of the river*)

_____ **DRAGONFLY**

_____ **DUCK**

_____ **JUMPING FISH**

_____ **SINGING BIRD**

_____ **GREAT EGRET** (*large white bird with yellow beak*)

_____ **PIECE OF LITTER** (*hopefully you don't find this!*)

_____ **GLOSSY IBIS** (*brown bird with a long, curved beak*)

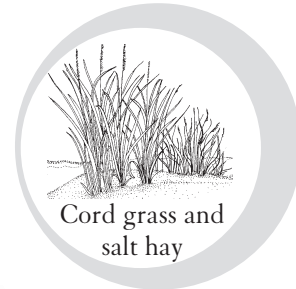
_____ **CRAB SHELL**

_____ **ROSE BUSH**

_____ **SANDPIPER**

_____ **RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD**

_____ **GREENHEAD FLY**





What else did you see?

List six things you saw that aren't on the list:

True or False

Read the following statements and decide if they're true or false.
The answers are upside down at the bottom of the page.



Muskrat

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| 1. Scarborough Marsh is the largest salt marsh in Maine. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 2. The marsh began to form 1,000 years ago. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 3. The water is brown because it is polluted. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 4. The tide comes in and out twice a day. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 5. A mummichog is a snail. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 6. Algae produces more oxygen than any other group of plants. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 7. Snowy egrets use their yellow feet to attract fish to eat. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 8. Ducks and sandpipers use the marsh as a place to stop during migration. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 9. Detritus is a name of a fish in the marsh. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 10. The water under your canoe is fresh water. | TRUE | FALSE |

ANSWERS
 1. True 2. False. The marsh began to form 10,000 years ago. 3. False. The water is brown because it's full of food for animals. 4. True
 5. False. A mummichog is a fish. 6. True 7. True 8. True 9. False. Detritus is dead plants that are food for fish. 10. False. The water is a
 mixture of fresh and salt water.