



WHOSE FOOTPRINTS?

Identify animals based on tracks



GRADE 4

KEY WORDS

- footprints
- talons
- hooves

STANDARDS

- SCI.4.3.3
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OBJECTIVES

- Students will observe and identify footprints.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- Animals have developed various adaptations that aid in their survival.
- Ostrich toenails can be used as powerful weapons
- Zebras, gazelles, and giraffes walk on their toes. Their hoof acts like a giant toenail to protect the toes from the hard ground.

PROCEDURE

- While going through the African Journey, have students keep an eye out for footprints.
- If any footprints are found, use worksheet to identify which animal made the footprint.

RECOMMENDED ASSESSMENT

- Have students compare and contrast the various footprints.

EXTENSIONS

- Have students observe footprints in their backyards and attempt to identify which animal created them.





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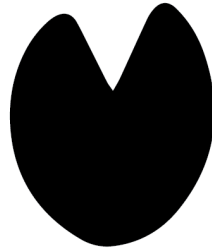
Look for footprints in the mud as you walk through the African Journey.
Can you identify the animals that made them?



Name _____



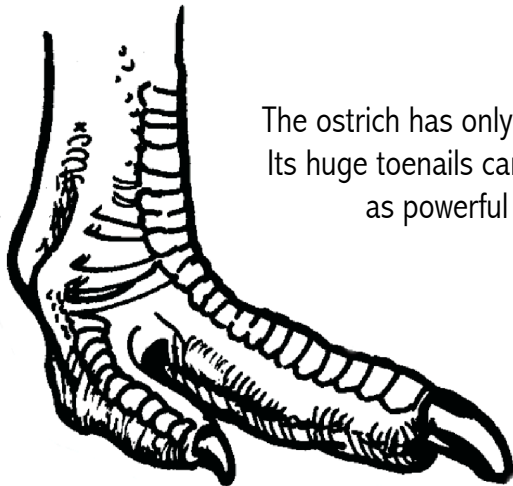
OSTRICH



ZEBRA



STORK



The ostrich has only two toes.
Its huge toenails can be used
as powerful weapons.



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giraffes walk on their toes.
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