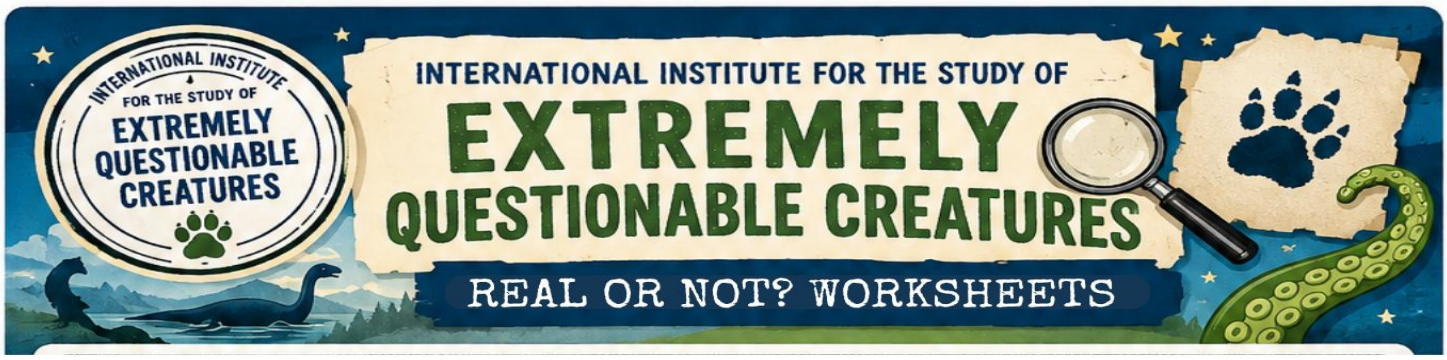


CREATURE CASE FILE #004

- **THE DUNG BEETLE • STATUS: UNDER INVESTIGATION**

Junior Researcher Name: _____ **Date:** _____

CREATURE: The Dung Beetle	LOCATION: Grasslands	SIZE: Small	STATUS: Real

CLAIMS UNDER INVESTIGATION:

1. Dung Beetles eat dung
2. Dung Beetles push balls of dung many times their own weight
3. Dung Beetles use the sun and patterns in the night sky to navigate their path
4. Dung Beetles help recycle nutrients and improve soil health

FIELD SKETCH
Draw The Dung Beetle

BEFORE THE INVESTIGATION: Before listening to episode, record initial thoughts

CLAIM 1:
Many Dung Beetles eat animal dung

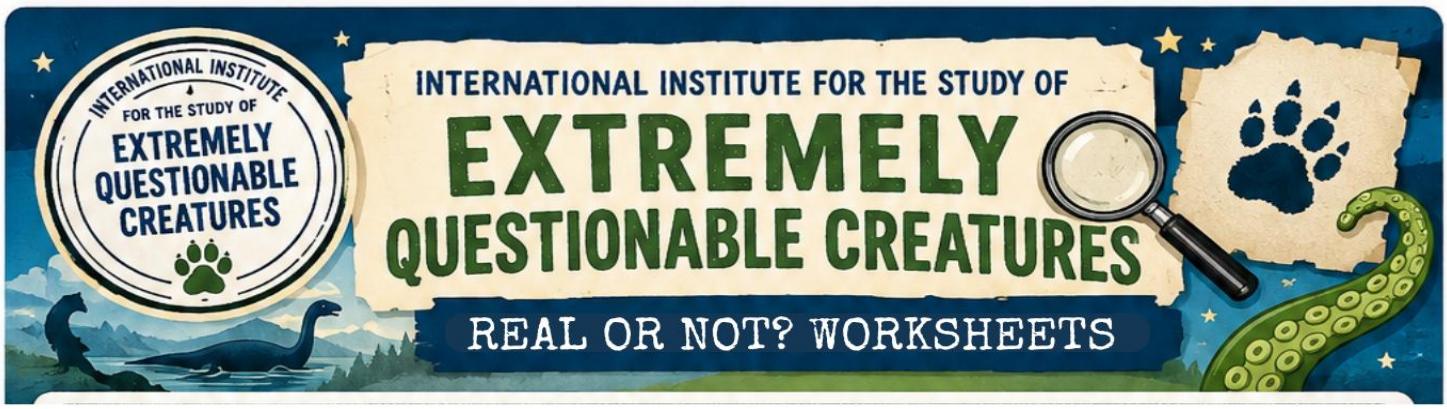
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Why?

CLAIM 2:
Dung Beetles push balls of dung many times their own weight

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Why?



CLAIM 3:
Dung Beetles use the sun and patterns in the night sky to navigate their path

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Why?

CLAIM 4:
Dung Beetles help recycle nutrients and improve soil health

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DURING THE INVESTIGATION:

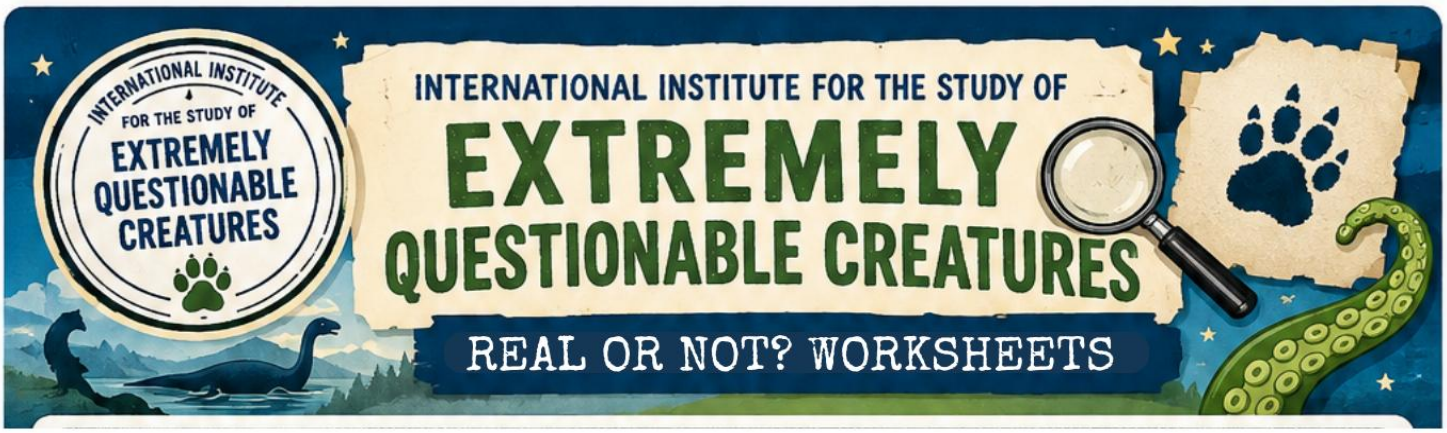
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Claim 2

Claim 3

Claim 4

EXTRA EVIDENCE GATHERED



WHAT QUESTION WOULD YOU HAVE ASKED:

FINAL CLASSIFICATION:

After examining the evidence, I classify The Dung Beetle as:

- ☐ REAL.
- ☐ LEGENDARY.
- ☐ INSTITUTE ORIGINAL.
- ☐ NOT YET DETERMINED.

THE MOST IMPORTANT QUESTION

What evidence supports your conclusion?

JUNIOR RESEARCHER NAME:

DATE:

SIGNED:

REVIEWED BY: _____