

Kids Club December Activity Sheet

THE ACADEMY
OF NATURAL SCIENCES
of DREXEL UNIVERSITY



Activity #1: Porcupines cannot “throw” their quills. They only “quill” something if they brush up against it. What could threaten a porcupine?

Activity #2: How did people discover that cacao was safe to eat? Which animal eats the pod?

Get your **December** stamp at the Visitor Services Desks. Do you have **eight** stamps yet? **If you do, it's time to collect your prize in the Academy Shop!**

Regular Hours:
Monday–Friday,
10 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Weekends and
Holidays,
10 a.m.–5 p.m.

**The Academy will
be closed
Christmas Day and
New Years Day.**

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Pinned: Insect Art, Insect Science Trivia

1. How many butterflies are framed by themselves?
2. Which of these countries is listed as the origin of insects in this exhibit?
China USA Brazil South Africa
3. Find the Madagascar Sunset Moth. How would you describe the way it looks?

Answers: 1. 3; 2. China; 3. It looks almost symmetrical but it's not! It's black with brightly colored spots, and looks metallic.

Eddie's Coloring Corner



I'm a Porcupine! Believe it or not, I have soft hair but it's on my back, sides, and tail and these sharp quills are in the way so you can't see it well.

My friend Barton came to live in the Academy's Live Animal Center. Will you tell him I say hi?

See Barton in the auditorium for Story Time on December 10 or 14 at 2:30 p.m.

Visit ansp.org/visit/events for more details.

Answers from the November Activity Sheet

Activity #1: On your next visit, ask a staff member in *Outside In* which skulls and skins are from the same animal.

Activity #2: Cacao trees grow under banana trees, which protect them from direct sunlight. The soil near the equator is deep and moist, providing lots of water.