# My Moose Fact File

**Read the moose fact page, then fill in your fact file.**

Name: _____ Date: _____

## Draw a moose

## Moose facts

**Size:** _____

**Weight:** _____

**Lifespan:** _____

**Diet:** _____

**Habitat:** _____

**Where:** _____

**Status:** _____

## Match the word to its meaning

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| **1. antlers** ____ | A. the fall mating season of moose and other deer |
| **2. browser** ____ | B. the soft, furry skin that covers growing antlers |
| **3. rut** ____ | C. the cold, northern forest of evergreen and birch trees, also called taiga |
| **4. velvet** ____ | D. an animal that eats leaves, twigs and shoots from trees and shrubs |
| **5. boreal forest** ____ | E. bony branches that grow on a male deer's head and fall off each year |

## The most amazing thing I learned about moose

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# Answer Key

## Moose Fact File

### Moose facts

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| **Scientific name:** | Alces alces |
| **Size:** | 4.6–6.9 ft (1.4–2.1 m) at shoulder |
| **Weight:** | About 440–1,540 lb (200–700 kg) |
| **Lifespan:** | Often 10–12 yrs; rarely over 20 |
| **Diet:** | Twigs, leaves, bark, water plants |
| **Habitat:** | Northern forests, lakes, wetlands |
| **Where:** | N. America, Europe and Asia |
| **Status:** | IUCN Least Concern |

Accept any answer that matches the fact page; sizes and lifespans are approximate.

### Word match

1–E, 2–D, 3–A, 4–B, 5–C

### Wow facts to share

- A bull moose's antlers can be about 6 feet (1.8 m) across.
- Moose can dive more than 18 feet (5.5 m) deep to eat water plants.
- A moose can run more than 35 miles per hour (56 km/h).