

## GETTING READY

# TRACK MATCHING

Muskrat      Deer      Squirrel      Raccoon      Chipmunk

Right hind  
Right fore

Color-coded lines connect the animals to their tracks: Muskrat (green) to green box, Deer (orange) to orange box, Squirrel (red) to red box, Raccoon (red) to red box, and Chipmunk (blue) to blue box.

# SCAT MATCHING

Fox      Raccoon      Rabbit      Deer

Color-coded lines connect the animals to their scat: Fox (green) to green box, Raccoon (orange) to orange box, Rabbit (blue) to blue box, and Deer (red) to red box.

## Friends of the Chicago River

## SCAT RAP

Starts with an “S”, ends with a “T”  
It comes out of you, and it comes out of me,  
I know what you’re thinking, but don’t call it that,  
Be scientific and call it SCAT.

If you wanna find out what animals eat,  
Take a good look at what they excrete.  
Stuck in the scat are all kinds of clues,  
Parts of the food that their bodies can’t use.

Down by the creek on a hollow log,  
Scat full of berries and bones of frogs.  
Fresh last night he was out with the moon,  
Hunting crawdads, it was Mr. Raccoon.

You park your car by a wood or field,  
Gonna find scat on your window shield.  
Full of seeds, purple and white  
You just got bombed by a bird in flight.

If you wanna know what’s in the woods or around,  
Take a good long look at the scat on the ground.  
It tells us what they eat and tells us who they are,  
And that’s what we know about scat so far.

