

# Fungi, Lichens, Mosses



- ▶ A mycorrhiza is a mutually beneficial relationship between fungi and plants. Fungus grows in or on plant roots, which allows for easier access to food for both the plant and fungus.

- ▶ There are approximately 3,600 species of lichens and 1,170 species of mosses in North America.



- ▶ Peatlands cover only 3 per cent of the Earth's land surface but store more carbon than all of the world's forests combined.



(L to R) Mushroom in the Chignecto Isthmus forest; photo by Mike Dembeck. Moss; photo by Maida Tanweer. Wolf lichen; photo by Duane Sept.



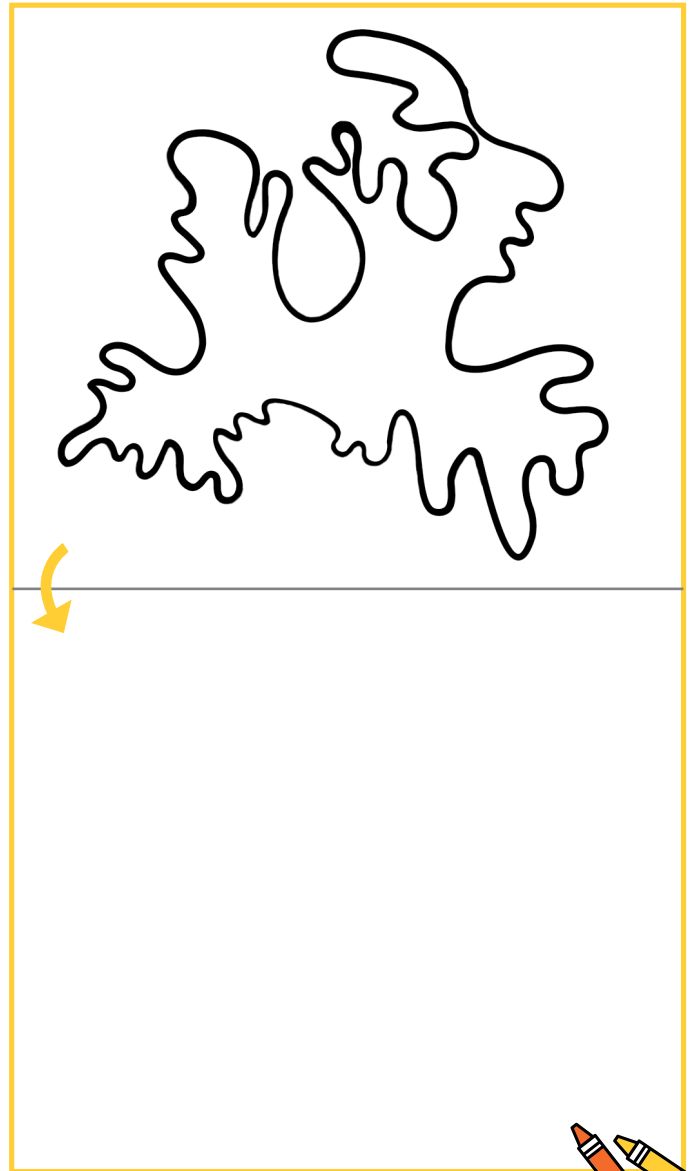
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# Family Activities

Connect the dots to complete the fungi.



Draw your own oakmoss shape.



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