

WINDSWEPT

TALES FOR CHILDREN

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Moose Crossword

DOWN:

- Moose are excellent ____
 and can even dive up to
 feet underwater.
- 3. Female moose
- 4. Moose can close these underwater.
- 5. Only ___ moose grow antlers.
- 8. Moose can ___ up to 35 miles per hour.
- 9. These can grow up to 6 feet across.

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ACROSS:

- Moose defend themselves by ____ and kicking with powerful legs.
- 5. Plural form of moose
- 6. Moose have 2 large ___ on each foot.
- 7. Moose hooves ___ out wide to help them walk on snow or mud.
- 10. Moose are the world's largest species of ____.
- 11. Male moose
- 12. Moose antlers grow and fall off every ____.
- 13. Baby moose

What to do if you encounter a moose...

- **Stay calm**! Back away from the moose. They might look like gentle giants, but an agitated moose can charge and stomp faster than you expect, especially if it is a mother with a baby.
- **Watch** for signs of agitation: ears laid back, hair on the hump standing up, stomping the ground, snorting, head tossing. It's telling you that you are too close.
- If it charges, RUN! Put something like a tree or other object between you and the moose. Once you are far enough away, it will leave you alone.

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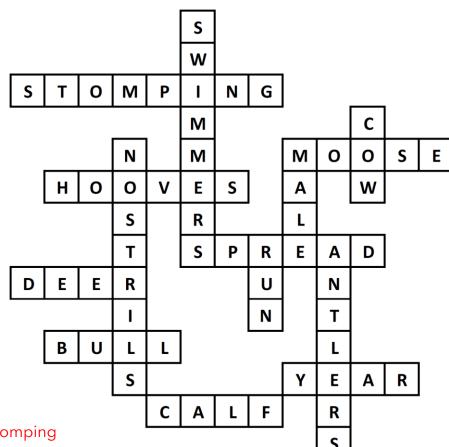
ANSWER KEY

DOWN:

- Moose are excellent swimmers and can even dive up to 20 feet underwater.
- 3. Female moose: cow
- Moose can close these underwater: nostrils
- 5. Only male moose grow antlers.
- 8. Moose can run up to 35 miles per hour.
- 9. These can grow up to 6 feet across: antlers

ACROSS:

- 2. Moose defend themselves by stomping and kicking with powerful legs.
- 5. Plural form of moose: moose
- 6. Moose have 2 large hooves on each foot.
- 7. Moose hooves spread out wide to help them walk on snow or mud.



- 10. Moose are the world's largest species of deer.
- 11. Male moose: bull
- 12. Moose antlers grow and fall off every year.
- 13. Baby moose: calf