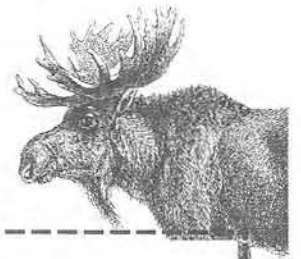


King of the Woods... the moose



FACTS about the Moose...

- The moose is the largest member of the deer family.
- Males are called bulls; females are cows and the young are called calves.
- The antlers of the bulls may stretch more than 1.52 metres (5 ft.) across and weigh up to 38 kg (85 lbs.)
- Bulls shed their antlers every year in the winter and grow new, larger ones in the spring.
- Antlers grow under a layer of living skin called "velvet", which peels off each year.
- Their long legs help them to move through deep snow.
- Moose sometimes dive 5.5 metres (18 ft.) or more for plants growing on a lake or pond bottom.
- The life expectancy of a moose is about 8 to 25 years.

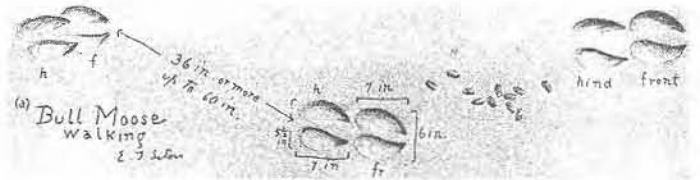
HABITAT...

- Lives in northern forests and swamps
- Likes mixed forest and grasslands but adapts easily and can be found in areas with lots of people.

SIZE...

- Length - 1.83-2.74 metres (6-9 ft.)
- Height - 2.13-2.44 m (7-8ft.)
- Tail - about 18 cm (7inches) long
- Weight - 315-635 kg (700-1400 lbs.)

The moose is a HERBIVORE. It eats trees and shrubs.



WORD SEARCH

Find these words in the box to the right. The words can be horizontal, vertical or diagonal.

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| moose | bell |
| dive | herbivore |
| cow | deer |
| forest | Canada |
| rack | antlers |
| mooswa | velvet |
| bull | calf |
| king | swamps |
| pond | twigs |

