



Sheepnose
Plethobasus cyphus



Heelsplitter
Lasmigona decorata

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Rabbitsfoot
Quadrula cylindrica



Pigtoe
Pleurobema plenum



Threehorned wartyback
O. reflexa

Instructions:

Observe the examples of freshwater mussels on paper while reflecting on the connection between the mussel name and its characters.

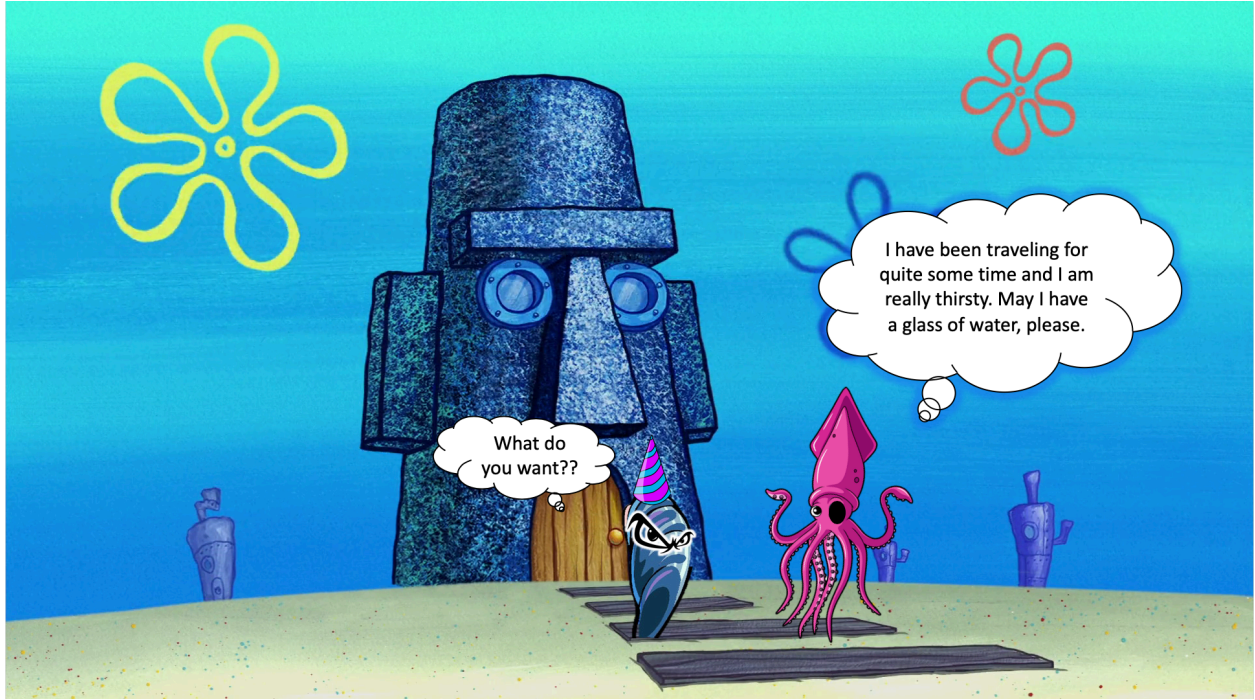
Now look at the real mussels and try to come up with possible names based on their features.

Create an illustrated story on how the mussel could have got its name (can be fictional like the example)

Sample Story:

Once upon a time, in a river far away, there lived a mussel with the name of Obli (Obliquaria reflexa). Obli had a reputation of being mean, cranky, and stubborn. He was hosting his 13th birthday party when a tired witch came disguised as a squid asking him for a glass of water. He said no and made fun of her appearance. After revealing her true self, she put a curse him to have 3 warts. From that day onwards, everyone in the land calls him Threehorned wartyback because of his 3 warts.

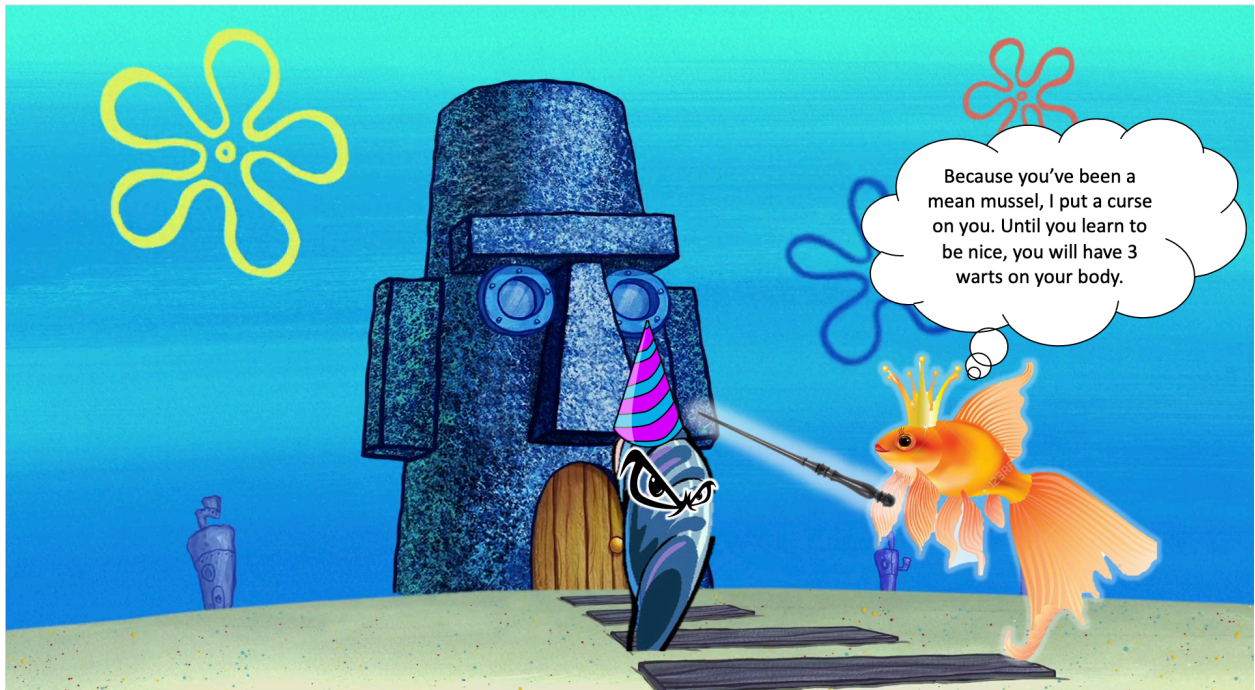
(Illustrations Below)



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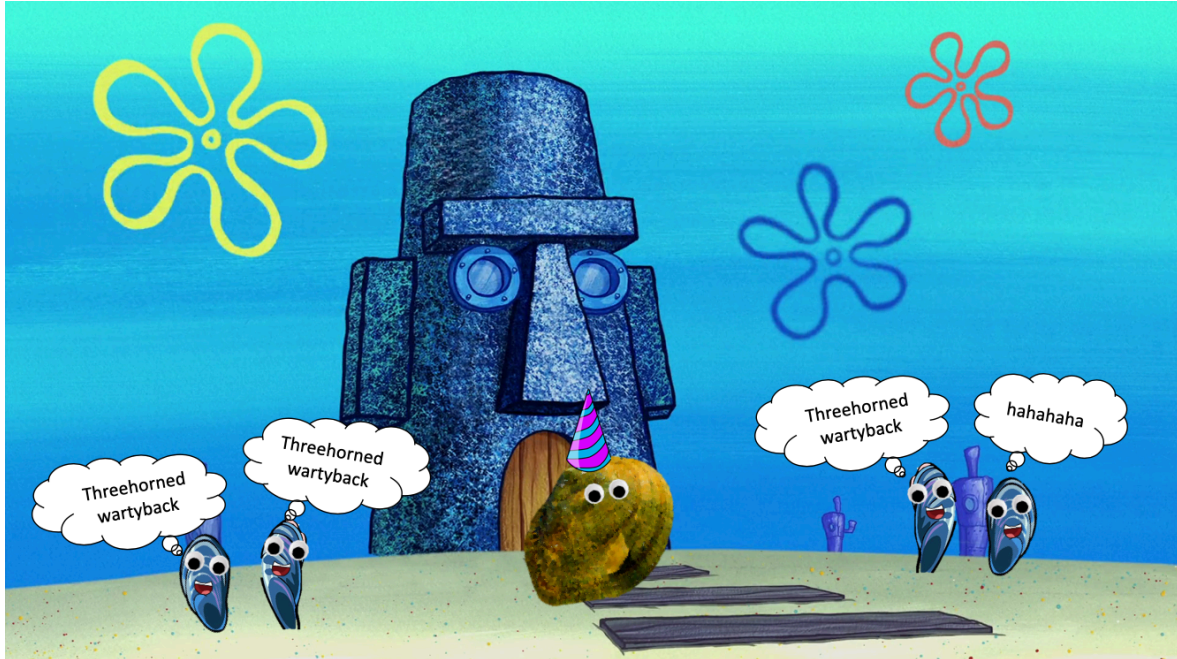
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