

## Scat Snack

All Ages

This hands on exercise is fun, gross and tasty! Everything kids like! Explore and learn about animal scat (poop found in the wild) while making a delicious snack. Entertainment and education smushed, squished, rolled together and gobbled up in one activity!

Follow the no bake recipe below for Poop Mix and shape your favourite scat.

### Poop Mix: (doubles easily)

- 1/4 cup butter
- 1/4 cup milk
- 3 Tbsp cocoa powder
- 3/4 cup granulated sugar
- Dash of salt
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/4 cup peanut butter
- 1 1/2 cups rolled oats

### Instructions:

1. In medium sauce pan melt butter. Add milk, cocoa, sugar, and salt. Bring to a rolling boil. Let it boil for 4 minutes. This is important for them to set later.
2. Remove from heat, add vanilla and peanut butter. Pour over oats and mix well. Wait until it cools enough to handle, but still warm.
3. Using your hands, form in to poop shapes adding nuts, dried berries, coconut, etc. as desired.
4. Place on wax paper and let cool. Store air-tight for up to 3 days—if they last that long.

### Extras for customizing scat:

- For omnivore scat— Dried cranberries blueberries sesame seeds, hulled sunflower seeds, pepitas etc.
- For carnivore scat—dried coconut chips, slivered almonds, peanuts, chow mien noodles, etc.

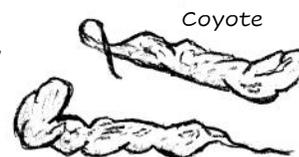


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**Herbivores**— animals that eat only plants make droppings which are mostly small and round or oval-shaped, have lots of plant bits and fiber, — rabbit, deer, porcupine (Even a horse makes small, for the animal's size, round droppings—'road apples', cows however are different, they make 'patties'.)

**Carnivores** — animals that only eat meat make scat that is long, thin, tube-like and pointy at one or both ends. Often bits of bone, fur or feathers can be seen.  
- fox, coyote, weasel, mink



Coyote

**Omnivores** — animals that eat meat and plants make scat that is oblong and may have berries, seeds, fur, bone bits etc.  
—raccoon, chipmunk, muskrat,

Raccoon



**Tip:** Explore more about scat with our activity *What's That Scat?*. Find it under Adventures.