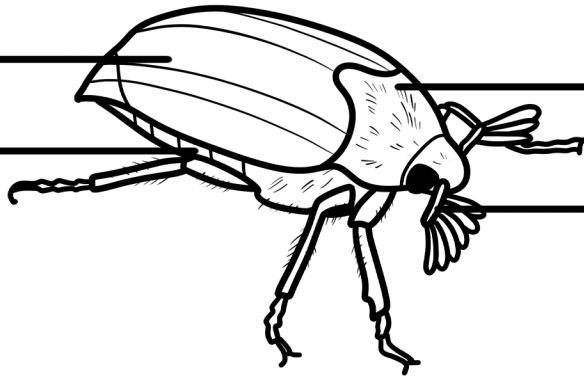


Long ago in ancient Egypt, there lived a special beetle called the scarab. The scarab beetle was very important and was even considered magical by the Egyptians. They believed the scarab beetle was connected to the sun and had the power to protect them from harm.

The scarab beetle was a hard worker. It would roll balls of dung across the ground, which it used as food and a safe place to lay its eggs. This rolling action reminded the Egyptians of how the sun moves across the sky, so they thought the scarab beetle was linked to the sun's journey.

The Egyptians made many beautiful jewels and amulets in the shape of scarab beetles. They wore these amulets for good luck and protection. Today, we can still see the scarab beetle in museums, telling the story of its importance in ancient Egypt.



wing    thorax    antennae    abdomen

**Word Bank:**

- scarab
- protect
- amulets
- beetle

Why was the scarab beetle important to the Egyptians? 

What is the name of the beetle mentioned in the story?

What did the scarab beetle's action of rolling dung remind the Egyptians of?

Egyptians



safe



jewels



museums



1. Scarab Beetles used rolled dung as a place to lay eggs.

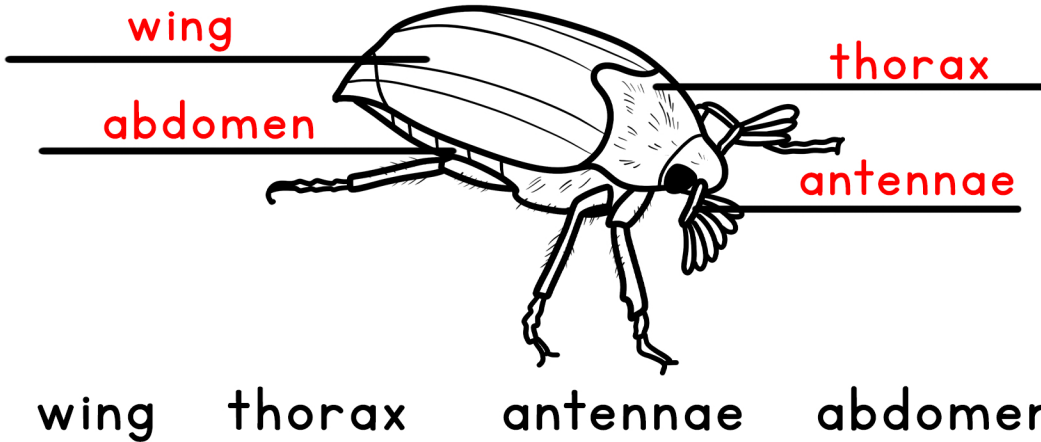
**true**

**false**

2. The Scarab Beetle was a hard worker.

**true**

**false**



**Word Bank:**

- scarab
- protect
- amulets
- beetle

Why was the scarab beetle important to the Egyptians?


They thought it had the power to protect them from harm.


What is the name of the beetle mentioned in the story?


Scarab Beetle


What did the scarab beetle's action of rolling dung remind the Egyptians of?

How the sun moves across the sky.

Egyptians 

safe 

jewels 

museums 

- Scarab Beetles used rolled dung as a place to lay eggs.  
**true**                      **false**
- The Scarab Beetle was a hard worker.  
**true**                      **false**