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Salt Pond Visitor Center Museum Scavenger Hunt No. 2

The answers to the following questions can all be found in the museum. Have fun!

- 1. Name some plants that can live in the foredunes on Cape Cod: Carvings made from the teeth of sperm whales are called ______. 2. 3. A hardy ground cover plant which grows widely on Cape Cod and helps stabilize the open sandy areas behind the dunes is . 4. A plan which grows better when lightly covered by blowing sand is the _____. 5. Seafarers used an ______ to find their latitude by measuring the angle of the sun or Polaris (the North Star) from the horizon. 6. This seafood product is expensive today, but in 1860, they sold for about a penny apiece: ______. 7. This piece of navigational equipment was used to determine the speed of a vessel at sea: 8. Name a habitat on Cape Cod which is highly acidic. 9. What daily occurrence cultivates and fertilizes salt marshes? 10. A nutrient-rich deposit that forms on the bottom of salt marshes (also on the bottom of ponds and other bodies of water is called 11. The Nausets used weights made of ______ in their fishing gear. 12. _____ was used to preserve cod and mackerel caught on the Grand Banks. _____ were used to keep horses from sinking into the salt marsh while they were 13. working in wet areas. 14. ______ were invented in 1848 and were more effective than simple harpoons for killing whales. 15. A stationary trap for catching fish was called a _____ 16. The grey-green fruits of this plant are used for making and scenting candles: ______. 17. The wood of this tree was prized for its resistance to decay: ______ 19. European settlers cut down the trees on Cape Cod and used them for (name at least three uses):
- 20. The ______ was a small cannon used for firing a projectile over the rigging of a ship that had grounded.

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- 1. American beach grass; dusty miller; sea rocket
- 2. scrimshaw
- 3. bearberry
- 4. cranberry
- 5. octant
- 6. lobsters
- 7. taffrail log
- 8. bog (kettle pond or cranberry bog is acceptable)
- 9. tides
- 10. detritus
- 11. stone
- 12. salt
- 13. bog boots
- 14. toggle irons
- 15. weir
- 16. bayberry
- 17. Atlantic white cedar
- 18. poverty grass or beach heather
- 19. fuel; building houses; fences; barrels; ship-building; tanning leather; export to England; firing tryworks; firing saltworks
- 20. Lyle gun