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**Directions:** Research your animal using the Internet or books. Draw a picture of the animal in the box and write its name. Answer the questions in complete sentences.

| **Animal (Draw and color a picture of it, and write its name)**  **Drawing of Pinacate Beetle**  Pinacate Beetle (also known as Stinkbug) | **Habitat (Where in the desert does it live? Sand? Mountains? Water?)**  The Pinacate Beetle can live in many different places in the desert. It can live in rocky areas, sand dunes, in the mountains, and in places with lots of plants. |
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| **Circle One:**  **Diurnal Nocturnal Both**  **Circle One:**  **Herbivore Omnivore Carnivore** | **Food (What do they eat? List only things that are in the desert.)**  Pinacate Beetles mostly eat decaying leaves, plants, and grasses. It is a decomposer. |
| **Physical Adaptations**  **(What parts of the animal’s body help it live in the desert?)**  Pinacate Beetles have a bad smell and taste on the hind end of their body. This helps protect them against predators, such as birds. | **Behavioral Adaptations**  **(What does the animal do that helps it live in the desert?)**  Pinacate Beetles spend the hottest part of the day in cool places, such as rodent burrows and under rocks. |

**Sources Used (What site or book did you use?)**

**“Insects of the Southwest” by Floyd Werner, Ph.D. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**