

MMM: Round 1 – Traits

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| Battle (Species vs. Species) | Which species did you predict would win? | Which species won? | New fun fact you learned about species that lost: | New fun fact you learned about species that won: | What is a physical trait that may help the winning animal win again? |
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Physical trait examples – body size, teeth (canines! carnassials!), antlers, tusks, reach, temperament, etc.

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MMM: Round 2 – Behavioral Adaptations & Scientist Profiles

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| Battle Species vs. Species (circle winner) | Did the winner have a behavioral trait that was important for their win? (If yes, describe the trait) | If any scientists and their research were featured in the battle, list their Name, University, & Research Topic |
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Behavioral adaptation examples – hunting behaviors (like predatory stalking, ambush), social behaviors, migration, parental care, food processing, learning, social structure of the species (e.g. cooperative group-living)

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MMM: Round 3 – Sweet 16 – Human Impacts

| Battle Species vs. Species (circle winner) | What is the IUCN.org conservation status of the winning species? | What are the biggest threats to the winner? | For threatened and endangered species, what conservation programs are or could be implemented for protection? |
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MMM Round 4 – Elite Trait – Environmental Impacts

| Battle Species vs. Species (circle winner) | What is a specific abiotic factor that helped the winner? (e.g. sea ice for polar bears) | Which randomly chosen ecosystem would have been the worst for the winner? Explain why. |
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MMM: Round 5 – Final Roar – Evolutionary History

| Battle Species vs. Species (circle winner) | When did the combatants last share a common ancestor? (use timetree.org) | Is the winning species a generalist or a specialist? Explain your answer. | What is a closely related species to the winner? |
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MMM: Round 6 – Championship!!

| Who did you predict to be champion? | Who was the official Champion? | Based on everything you know about the Champion, do you think it should have won March Mammal Madness? Why or why not? | Do you still think the species you picked should have been the winner? Why or why not? |
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Which species do you want to see in 2025? _____