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THE AMAZING COCONUT TREE

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My favorite tree is the coconut tree because every part of the coconut tree is useful and nothing will go to waste. (22)

The leaf. Coconut leaves can be used to weave baskets, hats, and mats. In many cultures, especially Asian cultures, people use coconut leaves to make roofs and wrap food, which is good for the environment since the leaves decompose to enrich the soil and feed plants and animals. (70)

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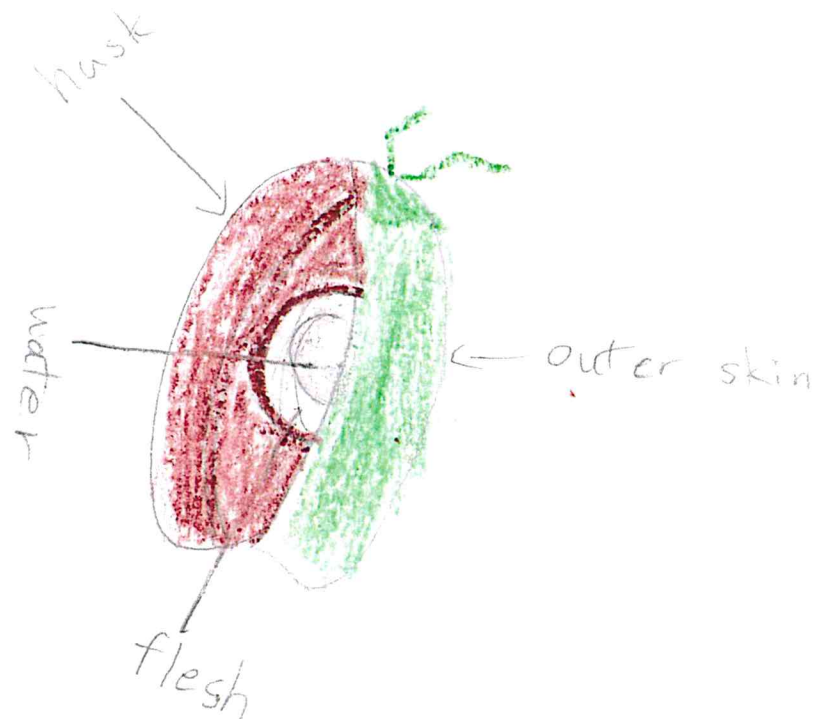
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The trunk. A coconut tree can grow up to 60 feet tall or more. Its trunk is very sturdy and can be used as pillars to build houses or used as flooring planks. People also burn the trunk to keep warm or to cook food. In many countries people tie a hammock to two coconut trees to swing or enjoy a good nap. (133)

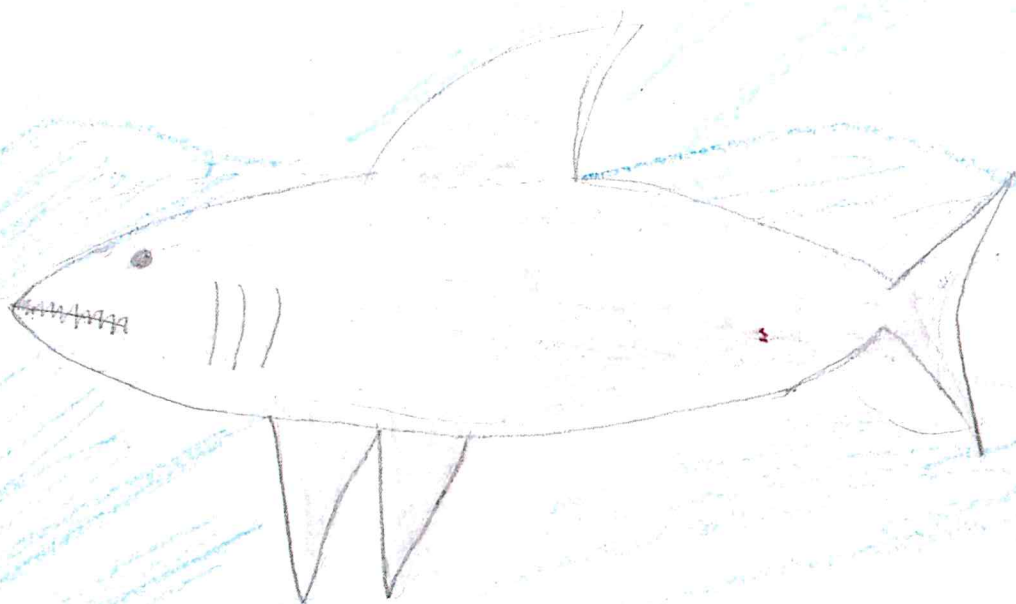


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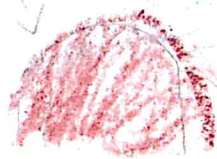
The Fruit. My favorite part of the coconut tree is the fruit, its flesh is very yummy and nutritious, and the water is very refreshing and hydrating. The husk and outer skin are used as mulch or compost in gardening; people also burn them to make fire. You can use the shell as a bowl or to scoop up water. The shell can also be used as a home for animals like coconut crabs and coconut octopuses. (210)



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coconut
shell



I need to
protect
myself!

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Many people call the coconut tree the tree of life because a lot of animals, including humans rely on it. For example, coconut crabs eat the coconut flesh and drink the coconut water ^{and} coconut octopuses use the shell to hide from predators. The coconut tree is AMAZING and I love it! (262)

