

Match the River Mussel

Freshwater mussels are very diverse in the Ohio River and its tributaries. Historically, they have had the highest diversity (most varieties in one area) in the world. The construction of dams, river dredging and pollution has caused many species to become extinct or endangered.

Mussels have some interesting common names. Try to match the photo on the left with the name on the right. It's a real challenge. You can lookup names on-line a try to match them.

1. Clubshell

2. Elephant's ear

3. Threeridge

4. Pistolgrip

5. Rabbitsfoot

6. Pimpleback

7. Monkeyface

A



B



C



G



F



E



D

