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This month, we are learning all about the Arizona bark scorpion, *Centruroides sculpturatus*. Here are some fun and key facts:

- Bark scorpions play an important role in the desert food web, eating ticks, insects, spiders, centipedes, and other bark scorpions.
- They grab prey with their pincers and sting it, injecting paralyzing venom. Since their mouths are small, they use digestive enzymes to turn their prey into a slurry.
- Bark scorpions are small and light brown. They are typically found living under rocks, logs, and in other crevices, and are often found around homes with irrigation systems.

Source:

- Arizona Bark Scorpion. Arizona - Sonoran Desert Museum. Link: <https://www.desertmuseum.org/kids/facts/?animal=Arizona%20Bark%20Scorpion>