

1. Take a pair of cores from the paper bag.
2. Read the label on the straw.
3. Use scissors to open one or both ends of the straw, then use the stick to push the core out of the straw. **Be careful, the core might break into several pieces.**
4. Use a pencil to draw a line along the vertical vessels at both ends of the core.
5. Check if the core is twisted: If it is not twisted, go to step 7. If it is twisted, go to step 6.
6. If the core is twisted, put it back into the straw, use tape or staples to close both ends, and tape both cores together. Put them into the yellow basket.
7. Take two mounts and place them side by side. Write down the information on the label on both mounts. If the label is handwritten and incomplete, the format should be: MORA 2024 StandID Species Tag (1/2) barkside.
8. If the core is broken, use wood glue (the yellow one) to glue the pieces back together.
9. If one core is significantly longer than the other, break the longer core slightly to ensure both cores are approximately the same length.
10. Use white glue to glue the cores to the mounts, make sure the vertical vessels are perpendicular to the mount.
11. Use masking tape to secure the cores to the mounts.
12. After finishing one mount, use tape to tie the two cores from the same individual together.