

Teacher Answer Key (Forms A & B)

Instructions: *The answer to all the questions in this scavenger hunt can be found on signs around the zoo. Encourage the students to explore the zoo to find the answers. There are two versions, A and B, with all Questions and Answers in this Teacher's Copy. We recommend you print double sided.*

AFRICA LOOP

- What sport do zoos across the country play to raise money for Rhino Conservation? *Bowling*
- Which African country do Okapi live in? *Democratic Republic of the Congo*
- Find the exhibit with a fake zebra carcass. What animals live there? *Lappit-faced Vultures*
- Find the bird in the Africa Loop with the bright yellow chest, which species is it? *Gold Breasted Starling*

AFRICAN REPTILE HOUSE

- How many species of venomous snakes are housed here? *6*
- Find the one animal that comes from the Island of Madagascar. *Henkel's Leaf-tailed Gecko*

AMUR LEOPARD EXHIBIT

- Amur Leopards are found along the border of which two countries? *Russia and China*
- What is the Conservation Status of this animal? *Critically Endangered*

GIRAFFE OVERLOOK

- What is the giraffe's favorite tree to eat from? *Acacia*
- How many neck vertebrae (bones) does a giraffe have? *7*

RANGE OF THE JAGUAR

- Why do farmers kill jaguars? *To protect their livestock from being eaten*
- How many species of vampire bats are there? *3 species of true vampire bats*
- Which parent cares for cotton top tamarin babies? *The father carries the babies*
- Can the tapir swim? *Yes, they can submerge for several minutes*

EMERALD FOREST AVIARY

- The rainforest has many distinct layers. What do we call the very top layer? *Emergent Layer*
- Find the name of the large, black fish in this exhibit. *Pirapatinga*

LORIKEET AVIARY

- What do Lorikeets eat? *Fruit, nectar, and pollen*
- There is a single Lory that lives in the Lorikeet exhibit. Find his sign in the exhibit and then try to find the Lory based on the picture!

AUSTRALIA LOOP

- In addition to Australia, what other two island nations are Cassowaries found in? *Indonesia and New Guinea*
- Find the Australian plant with very large leaves that is named after an African animal. *Lutea Upright Elephant Ear*

SAVE THE FROGS

- Name 5 types of Amphibians *Frogs, Toads, Newts, Salamanders, Caecilians*
- How many amphibian species are facing the threat of extinction? *Over 3,000*

BAMBOO GARDENS

- What is the fastest growing plant in the world? *Bamboo*
- Find the Ponderstones sculpture. What country's balancing stones inspired the design? *Japan*

ASIA LOOP

- Find the informational sign about invasive plants. What species of bamboo does it mention as invasive in Florida? *Heavenly Bamboo*
- Why do Komodo Dragons swing their heads? *It allows them to pick up smells better*
- Are Babirusas considered an endangered species? *No, they are vulnerable, but not endangered*
- What is the last name of the people who donated the money to bring otters to the Jacksonville Zoo? *Arrowsmith*

LAND OF THE TIGER

- What two species of Tigers are kept at the Jacksonville Zoo? *Malayan Tiger and Sumatran Tiger*
- The Tigers' climbing structure at the entrance to the exhibit is modeled after what kind of tree? *Strangler Fig*

TUXEDO COAST PENGUIN EXHIBIT

- What are the largest and smallest species of penguins? *Largest – Emperor, Smallest – Little Blue*
- You may know that penguins eat fish, but what else do these Magellanic Penguins eat? *Krill, Squid, Cuttlefish, and Crustaceans*

GREAT APES

- A statue of which primate is found at the entrance of the Great Apes Loop? *Gorilla*
- What is found at the very top of the Bonobo climbing structure? *Rope Net*
- What monkey shares the exhibit with the Gorillas? *Guerza Colobus Monkey*
- The name Lemur comes from a Latin word that means what? *Ghost or Spirit of the Night*

WILD FLORIDA

- What state did Betsy the Black Bear come from, and why is she in Jacksonville? *Virginia. She kept coming too close to people.*
- There is a special hospital that can be seen from the Wild Florida Trail. What animal is it for? *Manatee*
- What is the large reptile found in the exhibit next to the Bobcats? Can you find it? *Alligator Snapping Turtle*
- There is a large map of Florida with our state animals and plants surrounding it. What is our State Tree? *Sabal Palm*

FLORIDA REPTILE HOUSE

- What turtle's shell was used as a calendar by the indigenous people of Florida? *Florida Box Turtle*
- What is the longest non-venomous snake native to North America? *Eastern Indigo Snake*

RIVER VALLEY AVIARY

- Find the Mandarin Ducks in the Aviary. What Country are they native to? *China*
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