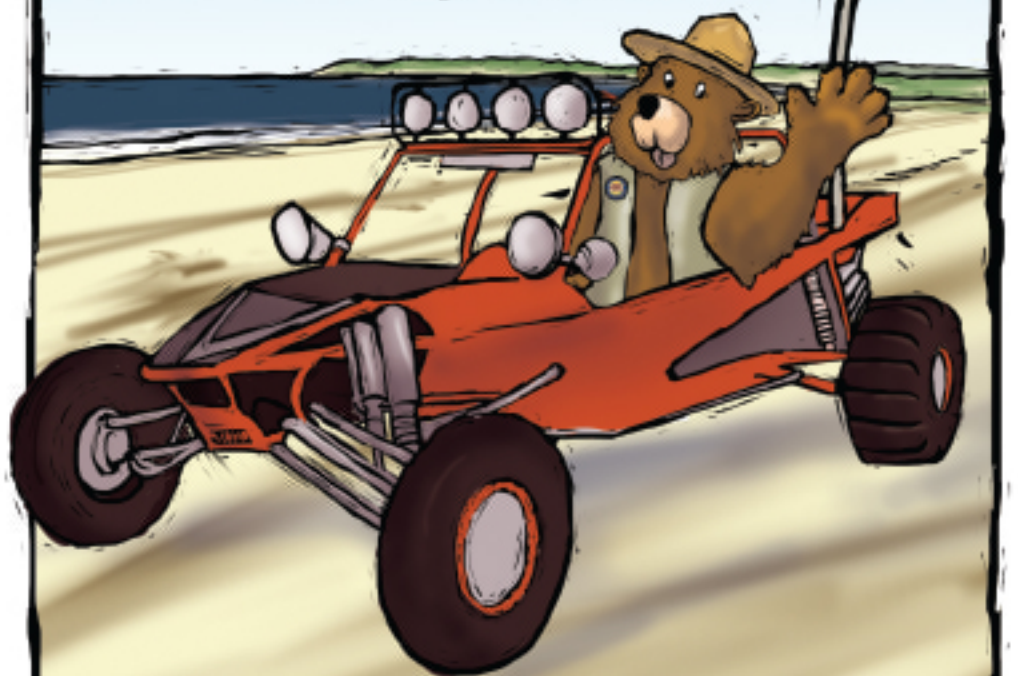


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Your Name Here





# Pack a Backpack

Draw a line to the backpack to show what you would take on your hike.

Video Game



SunScreen



Compass



Fruit



Water Bottle

Sunglasses



Soda



Trail Mix



Map &  
Tide Book

Stuffed  
Animal



Laptop

# Discover More Bingo

Find these things in the park and See if you can earn a BINGO!

The Logo



Silver Dune Lupin



Sand Rail

Tent



Brandt's Cormorant



Surfer



Monarch Butterfly



Great Horned Owl



Safety Helmet



Raccoon



Picnic Bench



Bat



Lizard



Wave



ATV



Snowy Plover



Try to score BINGO by getting four in a row in any direction. See how many BINGOS you can score!

# Be Safe in the Water!



Draw yourself surfing.

Mark T (true) or F (false) for these safety tips:

- Swim in front of a manned lifeguard tower.
- Check conditions, such as warning flags, before going in the water.
- Stay at least 100 feet away from piers or docks.
- Pick up trash and fishing line, it can be deadly to wildlife.
- Steer clear of wildlife in the water.
- If someone is in trouble in the water, get a lifeguard, if there isn't one, call 911.

all of these are true

# I Spy a Bird

Log your sightings by  
species and location

Species	Location



Red-tailed Hawk



Western Gull



Plover



Sanderling



Whimbrel

# Plant a Seed

Native plants provide an important source of food and shelter for native wildlife.

Monarch caterpillars eat milkweeds!



Morro Blue Butterfly



**SEEDS**



**Silver Bush Lupine**

**SEEDS**



**Narrow-Leaf Milkweed**

Monarch Butterfly



Can you name the four stages of a butterfly's life cycle?

- ① \_\_\_\_\_
- ② \_\_\_\_\_
- ③ \_\_\_\_\_
- ④ \_\_\_\_\_

egg, caterpillar (larva), chrysalis (pupa), butterfly

# Connect to the Night Sky

Connect the stars to discover a well-known constellation.



Unscramble the Letters  
for the Answer:

IBG PEIRDP

Your California State Parks are perfect places to view the night sky on cloudless nights. Camp at your favorite state parks to see if you can point out this constellation for your friends and family.

## Clean Your Campsite!

Circle the litter that should be removed





# OHV Riding Gear

Color the Proper  
Safety and Riding  
Equipment

## COLOR CODE

RED	.....Flag, Jersey
BLACK	.....Boots, Tires
BLUE	.....Helmet, Pants, Shoulder Pads
GREEN	.....Goggles
YELLOW	.....Quad
ORANGE	.....Chest Protector
PURPLE	.....Quad Grill



## RIDING TIPS

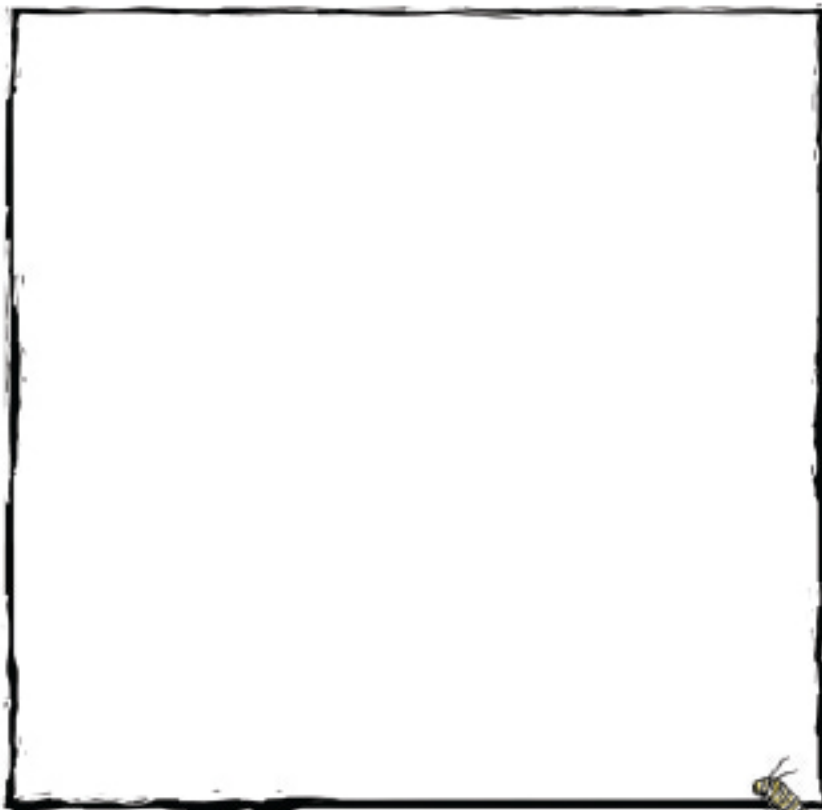
- ALWAYS ride with an adult.
- ALWAYS wear a helmet and protective riding gear.
- ALWAYS ride 15 mph or less on the beach and around camps.
- ALWAYS have an adult with you when crossing the beach to the ocean.
- ALWAYS ride within your ability and in control
- NEVER swim or ride alone.

# Your Favorite Place in Nature

Does your family go to a special camping place? Is there a place like a State Park you have visited that you loved? Nature is all around from the second you step out your front door. Everywhere you look you may see plants and animals of all shapes and sizes.



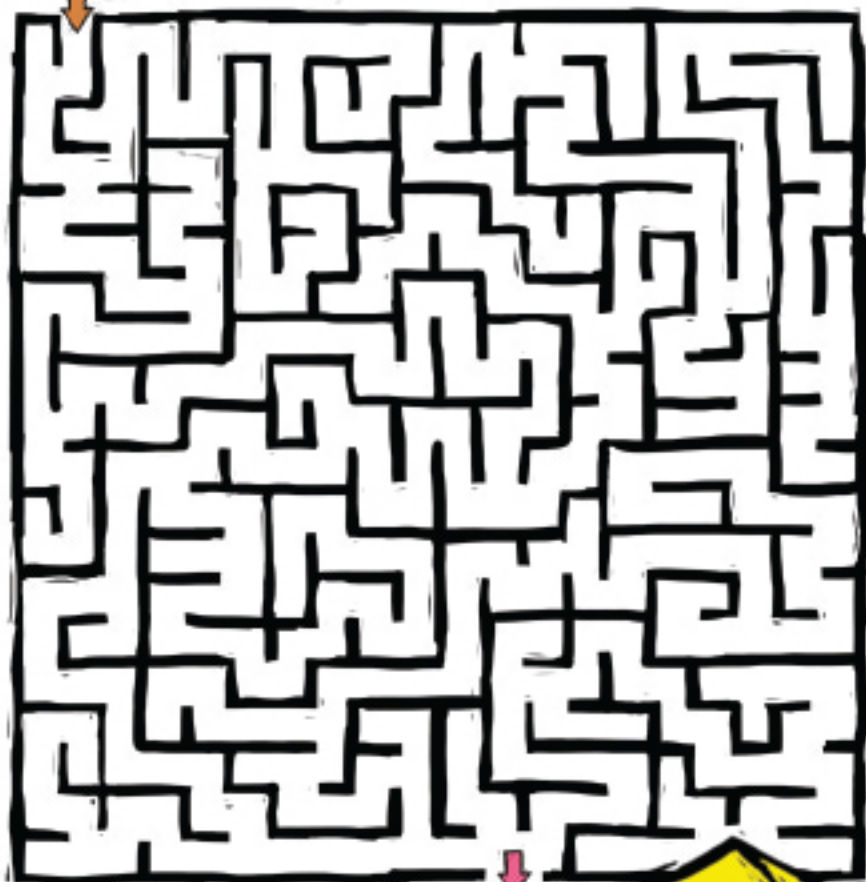
Draw a your favorite place in nature here.



# Find your Campsite using T.R.E.A.D.



- T- Travel responsibly
- R- Respect the rights of others
- E- Educate yourself
- A- Avoid sensitive areas
- D- Do your part



You found your tent!



# Meals, Medicine, and More

Imagine you lived here hundreds of years ago when Native Californians used this area to harvest food from land and sea. Where would you have found food, tools or medicine? Match the modern food/tool/medicine to the traditional Native Californian food/tool/medicine:

## modern

money



pain reliever

plastic dolls



food processor /  
blender

pots / pans



Soap and  
Shampoo

## traditional

Soap plant



basket with  
hot rocks inside

grinding rock /  
stone mortar  
and pestle



grass/reed dolls



shell beads  
carefully shaped  
and strung



willow bark



# Nature Detectives

You can discover which animals live in the park by looking for these animal clues:

● Tracks

● Nests

● Webs

● Burrows

● Scat

Match the name of the animal to the tracks



①



②



③



④

Coyote

Bobcat

Great Blue Heron

Duck

Raccoon

Mule Deer

Rabbit

Skunk



⑤



⑥



⑦



⑧

Circle any of these tracks that you see on the trails or beaches of the park.

# Sand Search

Challenge yourself to see how many Super Junior Ranger points you can score. Put a check mark in the circle and add your points up when you are finished.

Leave everything you find on the beach. Even empty shells will be recycled by nature.

25 points

Find a recyclable piece of litter and recycle it when you leave the beach.



Find a feather. GUESS what type of bird it could be from.



Find kelp flies, the flies that buzz around any kelp or algae that has washed up.



Find some kelp. Chains of feathery kelp are called feather boa kelp. Whip-like kelp with one large float is called bull kelp.



50 points

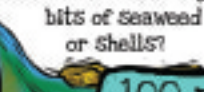
Find a shell that is still hinged.



Name 4 different colors of the ocean's water.



Look closely at a handful of sand and find 5 different colored grains of sand. Are there any bits of seaweed or shells?



Look closely at seaweed to find small white crusty lace animals called bryozoans.



Find the smoothest piece of driftwood you can. The smoother it is the longer ago it washed down a stream into the ocean.



100 points

Spot a long formation of birds flying over the ocean.



Spot a marine mammal such as a whale, dolphin, harbor seal, sea otter or sea lion.



What Super Junior Ranger level did you achieve?



75-125 You achieved the OTTER LEVEL—you sure used your Super Junior Ranger powers!

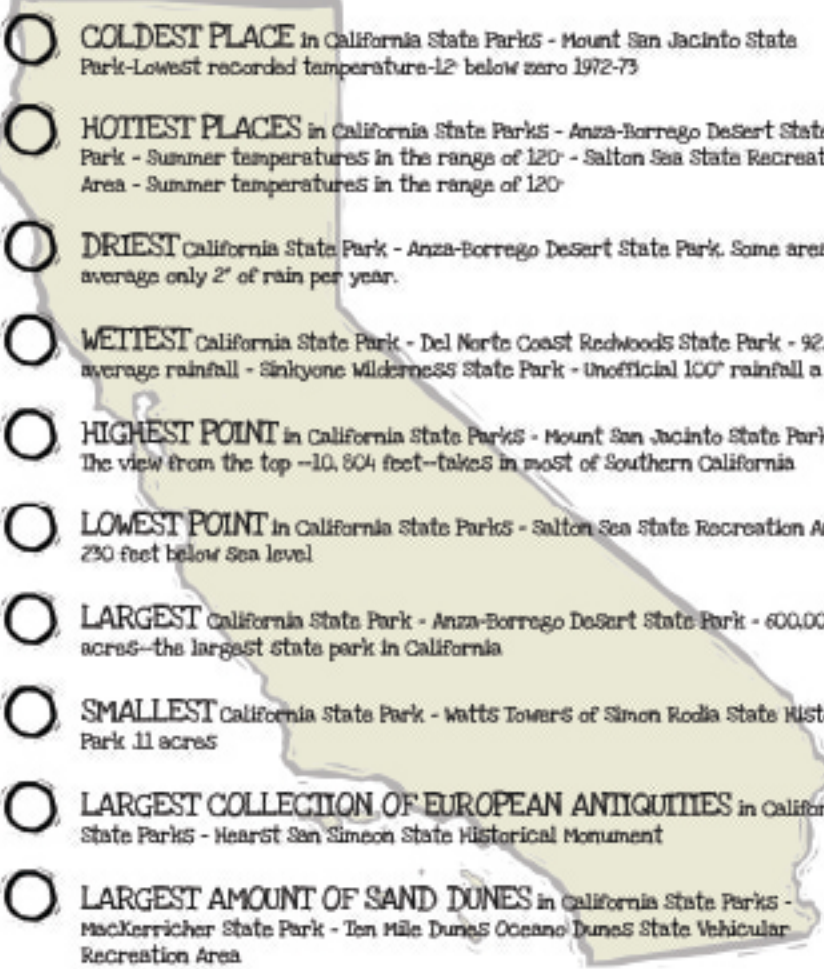
150-275 You achieved the DOLPHIN LEVEL—you really took your time to look closely!

300-500+ You achieved the SHARK LEVEL—you have excellent observation skills and great luck!

TOTAL POINTS

# California State Parks Fun Facts

Fill in the circle next to any of these California State Parks you have visited. Put a ★ star in the circle for any that you want to visit!

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- COLDEST PLACE** in California State Parks - Mount San Jacinto State Park - Lowest recorded temperature - 12° below zero 1972-73
  - HOTTEST PLACES** in California State Parks - Anza-Borrego Desert State Park - Summer temperatures in the range of 120° - Salton Sea State Recreation Area - Summer temperatures in the range of 120°
  - DRIEST** California State Park - Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. Some areas average only 2" of rain per year.
  - WETTEST** California State Park - Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park - 92.7" average rainfall - Sinkyone Wilderness State Park - Unofficial 100" rainfall a year
  - HIGHEST POINT** in California State Parks - Mount San Jacinto State Park - The view from the top - 10,804 feet - takes in most of Southern California
  - LOWEST POINT** in California State Parks - Salton Sea State Recreation Area - 230 feet below Sea level
  - LARGEST** California State Park - Anza-Borrego Desert State Park - 600,000 acres - the largest state park in California
  - SMALLEST** California State Park - Watts Towers of Simon Rodia State Historic Park 11 acres
  - LARGEST COLLECTION OF EUROPEAN ANTIQUITIES** in California State Parks - Hearst San Simeon State Historical Monument
  - LARGEST AMOUNT OF SAND DUNES** in California State Parks - MacKerricher State Park - Ten Mile Dunes Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area
  - OLDEST** California State Park Big Basin Redwoods State Park - 1902 - founded as California Redwood Park
  - TALLEST TREE IN THE WORLD** Humboldt Redwoods State Park - Sequoia sempervirens 360-369 tall in the Rockefeller Forest



# CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS Junior Ranger Certificate

STATE OF CALIFORNIA



THE RESOURCES AGENCY

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_  
has completed the activities in the "Oceano Dunes District"  
Adventure Guide, and has proven that he/she supports and protects  
California State Parks and the wise use and care of our resources.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Park Staff: \_\_\_\_\_

