

Visitor Center Scavenger Hunt

MYAKKA RIVER STATE PARK

STUDENT ANSWER SHEET

Look, listen and read as you learn more about Myakka River State Park. Some answers are more obvious than others. You will have to follow clues to answer some questions. You will not need the videos to answer any of the questions. Have fun!

What are three other names for a panther? 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

About how much of Myakka River State Park is wetlands? _____

Skinks and anoles are reptiles. (*circle*) **True** or **False**

Name two features common to wading birds but lacking in ducks? _____

How do you think wading birds use these features? _____

Explain why there are so few Florida Panthers: _____

What color is a juvenile (young) sandhill crane's head? _____

Why is this a good color for a young sandhill crane? _____

Over 1/3 of Myakka is dry prairie. (*circle*) **True** or **False**

Dabbling ducks eat mostly _____. Diving ducks eat mostly _____.

According to the Myakka Christmas Bird Count, in which year were most wild turkeys seen? _____

Name 4 things influencing the Myakka Christmas Bird Counts.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

In Florida, you are more likely to be _____ than die from a poisonous snake bite.

Name two animals found in the Florida Dry Prairie: _____ and _____.

Name one amphibian that is silent: _____

Where do most amphibians begin life? _____

Panthers hunt prey mainly during the day. (*circle*) **True** or **False**

Which wading bird can wade into the deepest water? _____

The Great Horned Owls' "horns" are really made of _____.

Name a tree frog that begins its life in a seasonal pond: _____

Why is this an advantage for this tree frog? _____

Name a bird, a reptile and a mammal found in Myakka wetlands

- Bird:
- Reptile:
- Mammal:

In what part of the park are you most likely to see a snowy egret? _____

Name three types of wetlands at Myakka.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

The following animals are threatened with extinction. When you find them in the visitor center, circle their names.

Florida Panther Gopher Tortoise Wood Stork Fox Squirrel

Why is it difficult to see the screech owl in the pine flatwoods display? _____

Explain how this helps this owl in the wild: _____

Name two reptiles living in pine flatwoods: _____ and _____

The Birdwalk is located along which lake? _____

What tree would you expect to find in the flatwoods? _____

Name the 4 groups of reptiles found at Myakka.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

What is the name of Florida's state soil? _____

What kind of plants grow in this soil? _____

Alligators belong to what group of reptiles? _____



Congratulations! You have completed the scavenger hunt!