

# 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!