

PALISADE STATE PARK



Junior Ranger Activity Guide

Welcome to Palisade State Park!

We are excited you have come to enjoy our park. We hope you enjoy your stay here. We need your help in keeping the park safe and clean for yourselves, others, and the wildlife that share the area.

So you want to become a **JUNIOR RANGER?**

Here is how you do it!

- If you are between the ages **5-9** complete at least **5 activities**.
- If you are between the ages **10-13** complete at least **8 activities**

It's O.K. for mom or dad to help .

- After you have finished your activities pick up **one small bag of garbage or litter** (*litter picked out of trash cans or cars doesn't count*). When you are done simply bring your activity guide and bag of litter to a park ranger and he or she will check it and sign your activity guide.

When everything is completed you will receive an official Palisade State Park Junior Ranger Badge and a Certificate of Achievement!

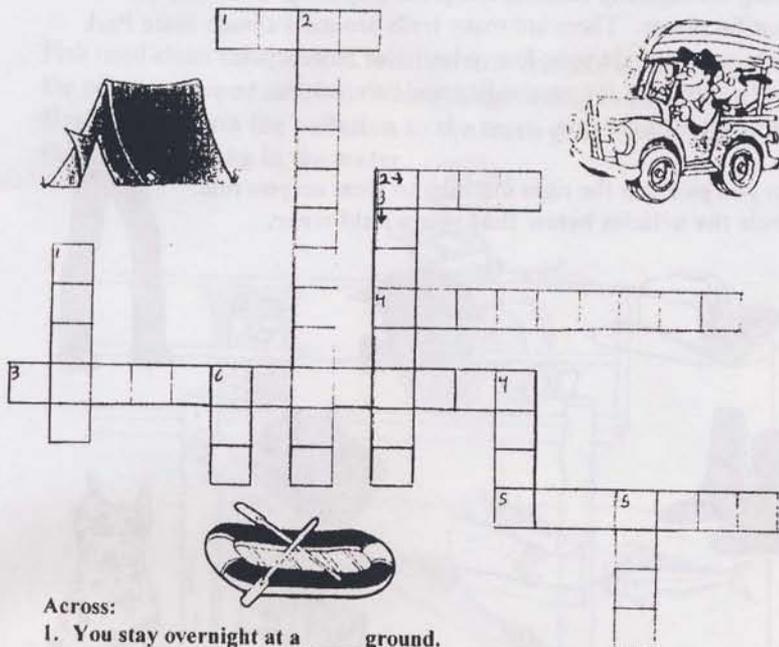
I certify that the required **litter patrol** was completed.

Park Ranger



Things to do at Palisade!

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across:

1. You stay overnight at a _____ ground.
2. You better be able to _____ if you fall overboard.
3. If you are peddling your way across the lake you are _____.
4. You can do this if you have binoculars and like feathers.
5. If you have a pole, hooks, line, and you are at the lake you are probably _____.

Down:

1. If you have nothing to do you can just _____!!!
2. They are white and you roast them over a campfire.
3. You do this on the beach when the sun is out.
4. Game involving a small white ball and a club.
5. You better put on your boots and bring some water if you are going to go on a _____.
6. You do this when you are hungry.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO!



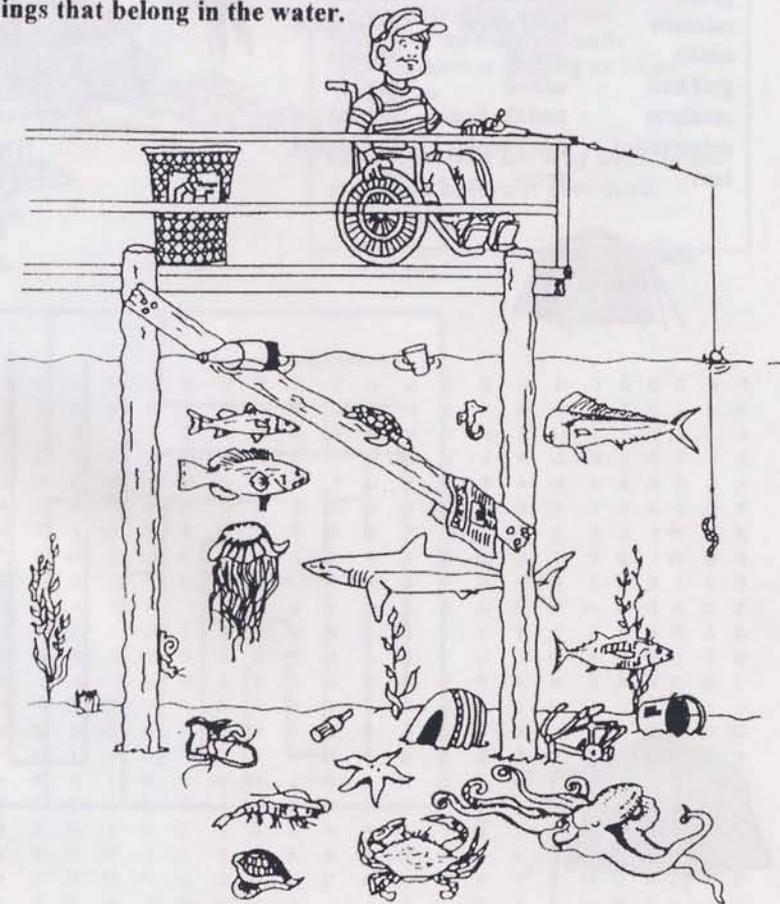
Riding off-highway vehicles is a great way to have fun and see beautiful places. There are many trails around Palisade State Park where you can ride your four-wheeler or motorcycle. It very important for your safety and comfort that you wear the proper clothing on ride.

Can you pick out the right clothing to wear on you ride?
Circle the articles below that you would wear.



We all need a clean environment, both people and fish!

Fish need clean water to live, whether they are here at Palisade, in the ocean, or anywhere else. Which things belong in the water? Draw a line from the pollution to the trash can. Circle the things that belong in the water.





WORD SEARCH



Things you may see at Palisade State Park.

See if you can find all the words hidden in the in the group of letters. These words are things you may see while visiting the park. *Circle the words.*

frog
ducks
geese
minnow
snails
golf ball
muskrat
salamander
tent

lizards
rabbits
raccoon
bald eagle
beach
canoe
paddle boat
tiger trout
trees

deer
bats
life jacket
mosquitos
snakes
grass
fishing pole
butterflies
bee



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WHERE IS MY CAMPSITE ?

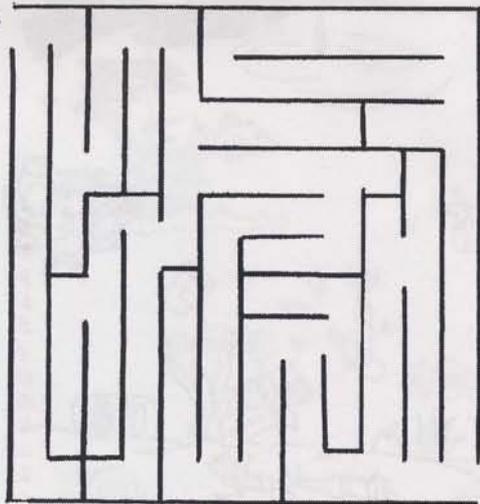


Johnny has had a great day riding his four-wheeler. He has been careful to obey all the rules by:

- *carrying his safety certificate
- *wearing his safety equipment
- *staying on the roads and trails
- *slowing down or stopping for hikers and horses

Help him find his way back to his campsite before it gets dark.

start
Here



Water As An Environment

Fish enjoy living in a clean and healthy environment, just as people do. Fish will live well in areas where there is lots of food, clean water, and cover like trees, stumps, grass and rocks. Fish do not live well in polluted waters.

Circle 10 things wrong with this environment.



Clean Water...

We Like Clean Water

Unscramble the letters to find out who we are. Use the pictures below as clues. Draw a line from the word to the picture it goes with.

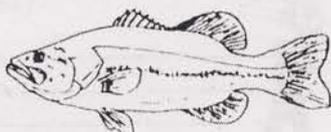
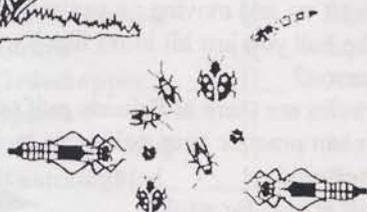
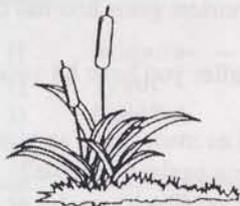
1. h s i f _____

2. a s l i n _____

3. e n a k s _____

4. g b s u _____

5. l a p n s t _____





THE GOLF QUIZ



See how many questions you can answer on you own.
Then you can ask your parents or other people. If you still
can't find the answers, go to the golf course clubhouse and
ask the **golf-pro**.

1. You can practice hitting golf balls at the _____ range.
2. What helps you know where the hole is located when you are a long way from it? _____
3. What do you place the golf ball on, for your first shot at each hole? _____
4. The part of the golf course that has the shortest grass and has the hole located in it is called the _____
5. Remember to _____ the sand trap after you have hit your ball out of it.
6. **True or False?** You can hit the golf ball as many times as you want to before picking it up and moving on to the next hole? _____
7. What do you yell if the ball you just hit looks like it may hit or land near another person? _____
8. How many different holes are there at Palisade golf course? _____
9. **True or False?** You can practice your golf game by hitting golf balls in the campground. _____
10. **True or False?** Golf is only for adults.



WILDLIFE WATCHERS CHECKLIST

While you're here, keep a sharp eye out for critters that inhabit the park. Put a check mark next to the animals you see.

Note: *You do not have to find all the animals on the checklist to get credit for completing the activity.*

HINTS:

*Your parents can help you.

*Mornings and evenings are the best times to view wildlife.

*Bring a pair of binoculars if you have some.



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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Lizard | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Grasshopper | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Sparrow | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | <i>(any small bird)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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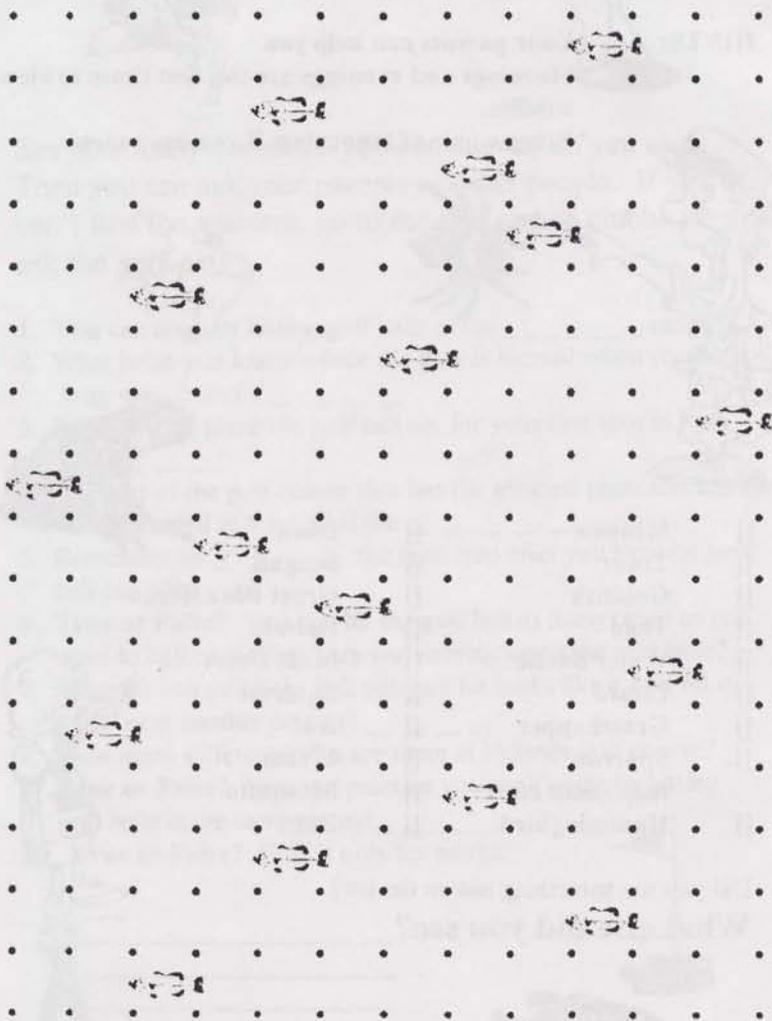
Did you see something not on the list?

What else did you see? _____



How Many Fish Can You Catch?

Players take turns connecting 2 dots. Lines go across or down, not diagonally. Complete as many small squares as you can. Initial each square you complete and take another turn. Squares in which fish are caught count 5 points. All other squares count 1 point.



Questions!

Write down any **questions**
or **comments** that you
may have for us at the park.

Responsibilities



NOTES

Write down things that you want to remember, things you saw,
or the things you want to do the next time you come to visit.

Junior Ranger's Code of Responsibilities

1. I will do my best to keep state parks and other public places clean and safe.
2. I will wear a life jacket and encourage others to wear one whenever I am in a boat.
3. I will not disturb wildlife. I will watch and enjoy from a distance.
4. I will never leave pop cans, fishing line, food wrappers, or any other kind of litter where I have been fishing or camping.
5. I will safely release fish that I don't intend to eat.
6. I will obey all the laws when I ride an off-highway vehicle, including wearing a helmet and staying on roads and trails.

Congratulations!!!

You have successfully completed the requirements to become a Palisade State Park Junior Ranger.

As a Junior Ranger you are expected to be a good example to everyone around you, by helping keep all parks clean and safe. And also to make sure you have a fun time while you are visiting here.

I certify that

Name

Has completed the requirement to become a Junior Ranger at Palisade State Park and may now wear the badge.

Park Ranger

Date