



## ENDANGERED SPECIES... WHAT CAN WE DO?

Link to our exhibit: "Louisiana's Past: The Border of a Canebrake"

Some species are threatened or endangered. You and your school can make a difference to help conserve some of these species and their habitat. For instance, you can organize campaigns at local science events and tell the public about endangered species in general, or about a particular endangered species from your area.

To help you learn more about this subject, here are some questions about threatened or endangered species. The answers to these questions are the hidden words listed below!

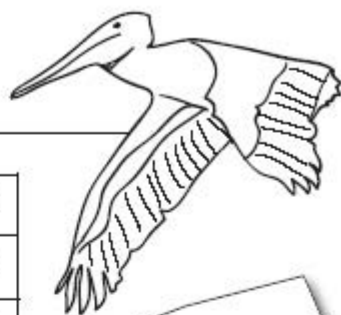


- 1) Extinction is natural and happened before humans lived on the planet (i.e., the extinction of dinosaurs). Why is this normal process a concern now?
- 2) About how many species became extinct in the last century?
- 3) What is the natural extinction rate per hundred years?
- 4) What is the abbreviation for the Endangered Species Act?
- 5) What shellfish is in trouble in America's streams?
- 6) Which loss is the biggest threat for a species?
- 7) What is the acronym for the federal agency that protects endangered species & habitats and manages the National Wildlife Refuge System?
- 8) What do you call the many different kinds of life in all their forms?
- 9) What do you call a species that is in immediate danger of becoming extinct?
- 10) What do you call species that invade and crowd out a native species?
- 11) What do you call a species when there is no more time to save it?
- 12) What do you call a species that is vulnerable, but not yet in immediate danger of extinction?
- 13) What do you call the elected body that passes legislation such as the Endangered Species Act?
- 14) What is the estimated percentage of plants and animals that have gone extinct since the beginning of time?
- 15) What do you call plants and animals which are not listed as threatened or endangered but that are being considered as such?
- 16) What is the ultimate goal of the Endangered Species Act?
- 17) What is America's most famous recovered species?
- 18) What is the name of a successfully recovered species in the South?
- 19) What is the name of a species that is endangered in Louisiana?
- 20) What is the name of a species that is threatened in Louisiana?

### THE HIDDEN WORDS

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