

Wilderness Trek Scavenger Hunt: Grades K-3

- 1. Head inside wolf cabin. Animals, like people, need three things to survive: food, water, and shelter. Can you find the wolves' shelter? How does a shelter protect wolves?
- 2. Beavers are known for building dams, or nests of sticks, mud, and stones, on rivers and creeks. Beaver use these dams as houses or shelters to sleep, eat, and stay safe inside of. Observe our beavers and peek into their dam. How is a dam similar to your house? How is it different?
- 3. Our bald eagle was born in the wild, but was injured when he was caught in barbed wire. His left wing was damaged in the accident. How might an injured wing make it hard for a bird to survive in the wild?
- 4. Exit Wolf Cabin and head over to the reindeer exhibit. Both male (boy) and female (girl) reindeer grow very large antlers each year. The males will shed their antlers in the winter and the females in the spring or early summer. What season is it now? Do any of the reindeer have antlers?
- 5. Head around the corner to check out our grizzly bears and black bears. Bear cubs are very cute and can be very friendly when they are young. Sometimes these baby bears are taken from the wild and sold as pets. Look at our adult bears in their exhibits. Why might having a bear as a pet be a bad idea?
- 6. Seals and sea lions are closely related but they have a few differences. Sea Lions are usually larger and darker, have long front flippers, and have ear flaps. Seals are usually smaller and lighter, have short and stubby front flippers, and have no ear flaps. How many seals do you see? How many sea lions?
- 7. Ahead on your right is the Persian Onager yard. Observe the Onagers in their exhibit. What animals look similar to an Onager?
- 8. Head over to observe our three smaller bears: the Andean bear, sun bear, and sloth bear. The sun bear is the smallest species of bear. Observe the sun bear and you will notice his long, curved claws. What do you think the sun bear uses these claws for?
- 9. Head over to Rosebrough Tiger Passage. Tiger can be very vocal animals. Spend some time looking at our tigers. Are they making any sounds? What kinds of sounds are they making? If they are being quiet, take a guess as to what kind of sounds tigers make.
- 10. Rosebrough Tiger Passage was designed to keep our tigers entertained and happy. Look inside the exhibit. What kinds of enrichment objects (toys and objects) do you see? Are any of the tigers playing or interacting with their exhibit?