



Habitat Hunt – Tropical America

Rio Grande Zoo
Education

1. Draw five different leaf shapes you find in the exhibit.
2. Listen to the sounds of the birds in the canopy of the forest. What species of bird was making the loudest sound?
3. How many different kinds of birds do you see? Notice the beak shape of each bird. The shape of a bird's beak is determined by the food it eats. Draw three bird beaks, and list the bird it belongs to and what that bird eats.
4. Look for blooming plants. How many different kinds of flowers do you see? (Please do not pick the flowers.)
5. When green vine snakes are hunting, how do they avoid being seen by their prey?
6. Describe the climate in the Tropical America exhibit. How is a rainforest climate different from the climate in Albuquerque?
7. Watch the spider monkeys move around their exhibit. How do they move differently than the Cotton Top Tamarins?



Habitat Hunt – Africa

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1. Name two carnivores and two herbivores in Africa.
2. Choose one animal from question #1, and describe how that animal would be successful at hunting or escaping predators in its habitat.
3. How does a giraffe's height help it to succeed in its habitat?
4. Observe the chimpanzees for five minutes. How do the chimps communicate with each other?
5. How many different kinds of birds do you see? Notice the beak shape of each bird. Draw three bird beaks, and list the bird it belongs to and what that bird eats. (Choose different beak shapes from birds in Tropical America.)
6. Many places in Africa are very dry during part of the year. Name one animal that lives on the savanna, and describe how it survives during droughts.
7. Draw two different trees you find in the Africa exhibit.



Habitat Hunt – Australia

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1. Many marsupials (animals with a pouch) live in Australia. Draw a picture of an Australian marsupial at the Rio Grande Zoo.
2. Koalas only eat eucalyptus leaves. Draw a eucalyptus leaf.
3. Are lorikeets social or solitary birds?
4. How does the Shingleback confuse its predators?
5. How is an echidna different from the porcupine you saw in Tropical America? Name three ways it is different.
6. Draw an emu feather. How is it different from a feather on the wings of a bird that can fly?