



ENDANGERED SPECIES... WHAT CAN WE DO?

Link to 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 local science events and tell the public about endangered species in your area.

To help you learn more about this subject, here are 20 questions about threatened or endangered species. The answers to these questions are hidden words listed below!

- 1) Extinction is natural and happened over and over again 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 native species?
- 11) What do you call a species that is no longer there?
- 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 plant and animal species that have gone extinct since the beginning of time?
- 15) What do you call plants and animals that are 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 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?



