



Self-Guided Scavenger Hunts at Adventure Aquarium

First, Second and Third Grade: Habitats

Adventure Aquarium is filled with opportunities for guests of all ages to have fun and become more aware of aquatic natural habitats and the animals that thrive there. Adventure Aquarium can also be a bit overwhelming for excited students. Our grade appropriate Scavenger Hunts will assist teachers in focusing their student's enthusiasm by slowing them down and helping them experience each exhibit and animal more thoroughly. Use this scavenger hunt on your self-guided tour through Adventure Aquarium.

The scavenger hunt offers questions to students that encourage creative thinking and careful observation to answer. Students are encouraged to use graphic panels and animal identification placards to supplement their responses.

This scavenger hunt is designed for younger students and provides teachers with directed questions to encourage students to use all of their senses and abilities to explore the Aquarium.

Please print out this scavenger hunt and make copies prior to your visit to the aquarium. Supply your students with a pencil and let them explore. Completed scavenger hunts, correctly answered or not, provide great opportunities for post-visit activities.

Enjoy your visit to Adventure Aquarium, where there are always more new things to see and do!

**For more information, visit AdventureAquarium.com
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Habitats

A habitat is a home for an animal. All animals need food, water, shelter and space in their habitat in order to survive. There are many different habitats around the world. Many animals live in or near water. Today you will explore some watery habitats found here in Adventure Aquarium.

Zone A

Irazu Falls is a rainforest habitat where many animals live. Here they find plenty of food and shelter to survive. How many different kinds of fish do you see?

Some animals live in or near places made by people. Name two fish that can be found under the boardwalk, where they find shelter from crashing waves.

In the Rainbow Reef exhibit, there are many colorful fish. A coral reef has lots of food for the animals that live there or the ones just passing through. Draw a picture of a coral reef with your 3 favorite fish.

What color are your fish?

(Be sure to color them when you get home)



Ocean Realm is home to sea turtles, sharks, rays and other fish. Sea turtles live in the water but need to go to the surface to breathe air.

How many sea turtles can you find in Ocean Realm?

A sea turtles is a (circle one): Mammal Fish Bird Reptile



A habitat with trash is not good for animals. Too much plastic ends up in the ocean, hurting the animals that live there.

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What can you do to keep plastic out of the ocean and help marine animals?



Zone B

Mystery Animal in Zone B

Most people think I like really cold weather
But most of my relatives like warmer temperatures
I live on the beach and in the water
I need lots of fish to eat
I am black and white
Who am I?

I am a (circle one): Mammal Fish Bird Reptile

Zone C

Some animals like colder water, some like it warm. Find the animals below. Is their water cold or warm?
Circle the correct answer

Sea Star



COLD

WARM

Horseshoe Crab



COLD

WARM

Cleaner Shrimp



COLD

WARM

Zone D



Hippos share their habitat with many fish. Here at the aquarium, those fish are cichlids. These fish find food around the hippos. Take a few minutes to watch the fish.

What are the fish doing?

Can you see the hippos? What are the fish doing near the hippos?

A hippo is a (circle one): Mammal Fish Bird Reptile