

# Thanks for participating in our 8th annual “One Book, One Bellefonte” event!

We hope your family enjoys learning about the national parks! While the best part of our program is of course the amazing books, we also have lots of raffle prizes up for grabs, including national parks-themed games, puzzles, and other fun swag. We're also very excited to announce that Trinity United Methodist Church has again put together tons of awesome book baskets!

For a chance to win one of our prizes, all you need to do is complete activities related to this year's program. You will find PARKS (aka Bingo) cards for various age ranges within this folder. Find the card that matches your age range and follow the directions. Then, turn your completed activity card into the public library (or snap a pic of it and email it to us) by Saturday, April 30th to be entered in the prize raffle.

To view pictures of all our raffle prizes and access digital versions of our PARKS activity cards, scan the QR code or visit the link below:



<https://bit.ly/nationalparksactivities>

*Note: Additional PARKS cards and activity sheets can be picked up from the library.*

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Post about this year's event using any of the following hashtags:

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#BellefonteLovesTheNationalParks  
#ReadingIsATicketToAdventure

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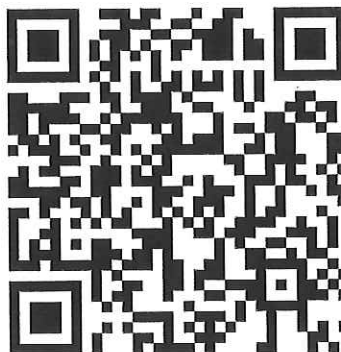
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**Please be sure to thank these businesses and organizations for supporting literacy!**

# Save the dates for these exciting community events!

## **Centre County Library Programs**

### **Toddler Storytime**

Bring the little ones to the Centre County Library for a special reading of YOU ARE HOME by our favorite children's librarian, Ms. Laura!

Wednesday, April 6th  
11am

### **Book Lovers' Coffee Hour**

Brew a cup of coffee and chat virtually via Zoom with other book lovers about this year's national parks titles or any of your recent reads!

Saturday, April 9th at 10am

Register here: <https://bit.ly/AprilBookLoversCoffeeHour>

### **Evening Adult Book Discussion Group**

*Dear Bob & Sue: One Couple's Journey Through the National Parks* is the April adult book club title! Join other community members virtually via Zoom to discuss the book.

Wednesday, April 20th at 6:30pm

Register here: <https://bit.ly/dearbobandsuechat>

### **Lego Hour: National Parks Building Challenge**

Stop by the library on Thursdays during the month of April for Lego Hour! You can drop in anytime between 3-4pm. We encourage you to replicate any of the national parks landscapes and/or the natural resources found in the parks!

### **Tail Waggin' Tutors**

Stop by the library on Thursdays during the month of April to teach a furry friend about the national parks! Sign up to read to one of our beloved, kind, and patient therapy dog tutors. Phone registration is required. More info can be found here: <https://bit.ly/readtoafurryfriend>

### **Virtual Storytime**

Visit the virtual story time room to explore more about *You Are Home: An Ode to the National Parks*, as well as other fun library activities for early readers: <https://www.centrecountylibrary.org/storytime>

## **Friday in the 'Fonte**

We've partnered with Downtown Bellefonte, Inc. to host a national parks-themed Friday in the 'Fonte event! It will be held on Friday, May 27th from 5-8pm. Enjoy all that our beautiful town has to offer while partaking in some fun national parks activities. Save the date and stay tuned for more info! More information about Bellefonte's Friday in the 'Fonte program can be found here:

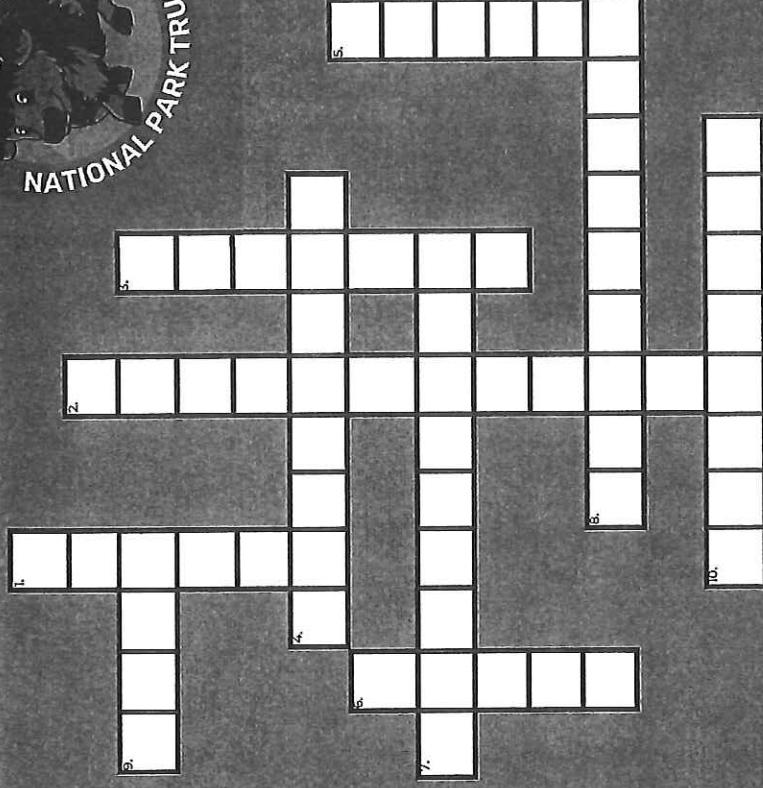
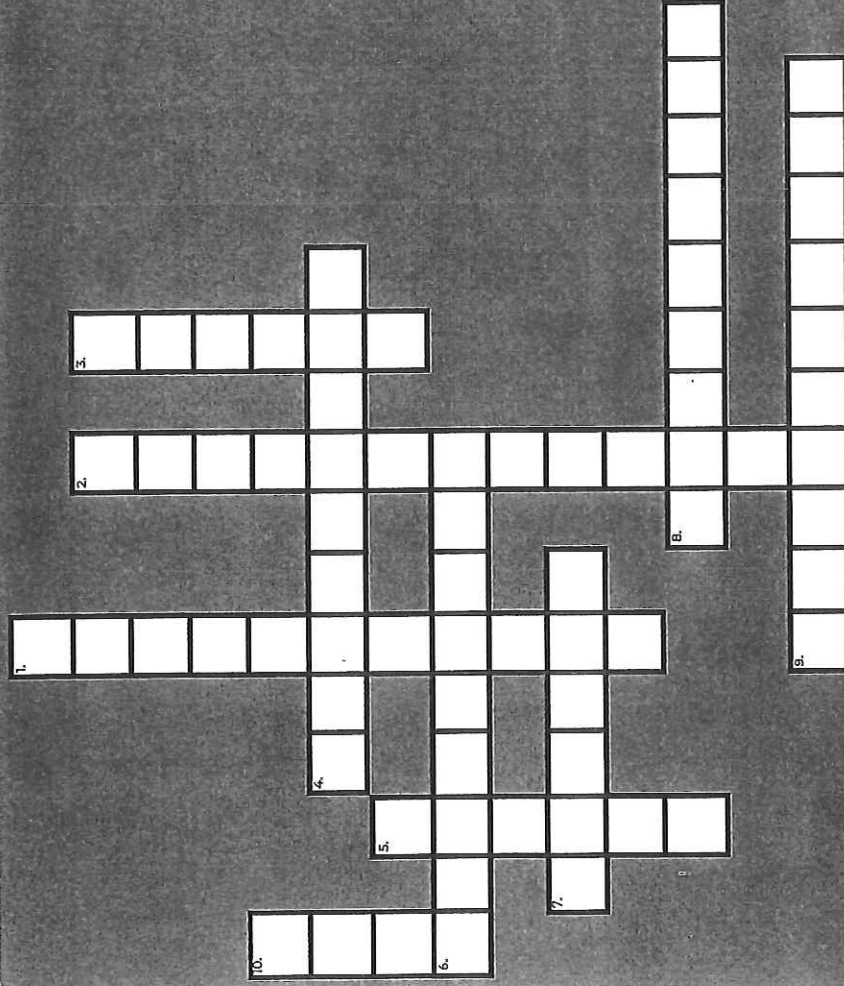
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Book	Discussion Questions	If You Liked This Book, Check Out...
<p><i><b>You Are Home: An Ode to the National Parks</b></i></p> <p>Written &amp; Illustrated by Evan Turk</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is your favorite creature in the book? Where does it live? Why is that park a good home for it?</li> <li>• Before or after reading, look through just the illustrations on each page. Notice how Evan Turk uses light and dark to design his landscapes. How does that impact you as a reader as you read and learn about the national parks?</li> <li>• Home is more than just the place where we live. The author tells us it is "a memory carved into our hearts," "a sense of belonging," and a feeling that "can never be broken." What do you think makes the national parks more than just places to live or visit, but instead places of memories and feelings of belonging?</li> <li>• What lessons does the author want you to take away from this book?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Color the Sky</i> by David Elliot and Evan Turk</li> <li>• <i>Daniel Finds a Poem</i> by Micha Archer</li> <li>• <i>Explorers of the Wild</i> by Cale Atkinson</li> <li>• <i>Forest Has a Song</i> by Amy Ludwig Vanderwater</li> <li>• <i>Hike</i> by Pete Oswald</li> <li>• <i>Hiking Day</i> by Anne Rockwell</li> <li>• <i>My Friend Earth</i> by Patricia MacLachlan</li> <li>• <i>Ranger Baldy and the Disappearing Waterfall</i> by Ranger Baldy</li> <li>• <i>Run Wild</i> by David Covell</li> <li>• <i>The Hike</i> by Allison Farrell</li> <li>• <i>The Moose Belongs to Me</i> by Oliver Jeffers</li> <li>• <i>The Storyteller</i> by Evan Turk</li> <li>• <i>Where's Rodney?</i> by Carmen Bogan</li> </ul>
<p><i><b>If I Were a Park Ranger</b></i></p> <p>Written by Catherine Stier Illustrated by Patrick Corrigan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are some of the duties of a park ranger? If you were a park ranger, which duty would you be most excited about? Least excited about?</li> <li>• Each page features illustrations depicting various national parks and historic sites. If you were a park ranger, which location would you most like to work in? Why?</li> <li>• What character traits do you think a park ranger should have in order to be successful at their job?</li> <li>• In what ways do park rangers protect the parks and the natural resources in them?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>A Vote is a Powerful Thing</i> by Catherine Stier</li> <li>• <i>Bear Grylls Adventures</i> (series) by Bear Grylls</li> <li>• <i>If I Ran for President</i> by Catherine Stier</li> <li>• <i>Kondu and Kezumi</i> (series) by David Goodner</li> <li>• <i>Most of the Better, Natural Things in the World</i> by Dave Eggers</li> <li>• <i>Nature's Friend: Gwen Frostic Story</i> by Lindsey McDivitt</li> <li>• <i>Redwoods</i> by Jason Chin</li> <li>• <i>Secrets of the Snow Globe</i> by Catherine Stier</li> <li>• <i>The Not So Great Outdoors</i> by Madeleine Klopfer</li> </ul>
<p><i><b>The National Parks</b></i></p> <p>Written by Stephanie Payne</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The book describes 62 of the national parks. Out of all the parks you learned about, which ones would you most like to visit? Why?</li> <li>• What were some of the most interesting or surprising facts you learned from this book?</li> <li>• Pages 6 &amp; 7 includes a map that shows the locations of all of the National Parks. What types of information can you learn from reading the map? Which National Park is the closest to Bellefonte? The furthest?</li> <li>• What is your favorite animal described in the book? Where does it live? Why is that park a good home for it?</li> <li>• What are some new vocabulary terms you learned from reading this book?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>A Girl's Guide to the Wild: Be An Adventure - Seeking Outdoor Explorer</i> by Ruby McConnell</li> <li>• <i>National Parks of the USA</i> by Kate Siber</li> <li>• <i>Pop Up &amp; Build National Parks</i> by Mike Graff</li> <li>• <i>Put On Your Owl Eyes: Open Your Senses and Discover Nature's Secrets</i> by Devin Franklin</li> <li>• <i>The Atlas Obscura for the World's Most Adventurous Kid</i> by Dylan Thurais</li> <li>• <i>The Canyon's Edge</i> by Dusti Bowling</li> <li>• <i>The Wild Robot</i> by Peter Brown</li> <li>• <i>Where is the Grand Canyon?</i> by Jim O'Connor</li> <li>• <i>Where the Sky Lives</i> by Margaret Dilloway</li> <li>• <i>Wildheart: The Daring Adventures</i> of John Muir</li> </ul>



Book	Discussion Questions	If You Liked This Book, Check Out...
<p><b><i>Subpar Parks</i></b> Written &amp; Illustrated by Amber Share</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• While the book is chock full of ridiculous 1-star reviews of the National Parks, which comment did you find the most absurd? Why?</li> <li>• The author categorizes the parks into 6 different regions (Alaska, Pacific West, Intermountain, Midwest, Northeast and National Capital, and Southeast). If given the chance, which region of parks would you most like to visit? Why?</li> <li>• What were some of the most interesting facts you learned about the national parks from this book?</li> <li>• Throughout the book, Amber weaves in tips from park rangers. Which tip did you find most helpful? Why?</li> <li>• Which one of Amber Share's illustrations appealed to you the most? Why?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does It Fart? <i>The Definitive Field Guide to Animal Flatulence</i> by Dani Rabaioffi and Nick Carruso</li> <li>• Dry by Neal and Jarrod Shusterman</li> <li>• <i>Fighting for the Forest</i> by P. O'Connell Pearson</li> <li>• <i>Get Your Boots On</i> by Alex White</li> <li>• <i>Legacy</i> by Jessica Blank</li> <li>• <i>Lies Like Wildfire</i> by Jennifer Alvarez</li> <li>• <i>Notes From My Captivity</i> by Kathy Parks</li> <li>• <i>Paradise on Fire</i> by Jewell Parker Rhodes</li> <li>• <i>The Field Guide to the North American Teenager</i> by Ben Philippe</li> <li>• <i>Valley Girls</i> by Sarah Nicole Lemon</li> <li>• <i>Zen and Gone</i> by Emily France</li> </ul>
<p><b><i>Dear Bob &amp; Sue: One Couple's Journey Through The National Parks</i></b> Written by Matt &amp; Karen Smith</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Throughout the book, Matt and Karen recount their journey through the national parks. Based on their description, which park would you most like to visit? Least like to visit? Why?</li> <li>• What were some of the most interesting facts that you learned about the national parks while reading this book?</li> <li>• Matt and Karen definitely incorporate humor along with their story. Which sections of the book made you laugh out loud?</li> <li>• It's clear from the book that Matt and Karen couldn't be more opposite. Would you prefer to have Matt or Karen as your travel companion? Why?</li> <li>• This book is unique, as the authors retell their adventures through a series of emails to their friends. Did you enjoy this format? Why or why not?</li> <li>• Matt and Karen were fortunate enough to be able to travel for an extended period of time. However, most of us will likely never get that opportunity. If you could go on an extended travel adventure, where would you visit? Why?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>American Wolf: A True Story of Obsession and Survival in the West</i> by Nate Blakeslee</li> <li>• <i>Campfire Stories: Tales from America's National Parks</i> by Dave and Ilyssa Kyu</li> <li>• <i>Dear Bob &amp; Sue: Season 2</i> by Matt &amp; Karen Smith</li> <li>• <i>Dear Bob &amp; Sue: Season 3</i> by Matt &amp; Karen Smith</li> <li>• <i>Dories: Ho!</i> by Matt &amp; Karen Smith</li> <li>• <i>Lassoing the Sun: A Year in America's National Parks</i> by Mark Woods</li> <li>• <i>Leave Only Footprints: My Acadia to Zion Journey Through Every National Park</i> by Conor Knighton</li> <li>• <i>Ranger Confidential: Living, Working, and Dying in the National Parks</i> by Andrea Lankford</li> <li>• <i>The National Parks: America's Best Idea</i> (an illustrated history) by Dayton Duncan and Ken Burns</li> <li>• <i>The Hour of Land: A Personal Topography of America's National Parks</i> by Terry Tempest Williams</li> <li>• <i>The Wilderness Idiot: Lessons from an Accidental Adventurer</i> by Ted Alvarez</li> <li>• <i>The Wilderness Warrior: Theodore Roosevelt and the Crusade for America</i> by Douglas Brinkley</li> <li>• <i>Where the Deer and the Antelope Play: The Pastoral Observations of One Ignorant American Who Loves to Walk Outside</i> by Nick Offerman</li> </ul>

# BUDDY BISON'S ANIMALS OF NATIONAL PARKS CROSSWORD



**Brain Teaser!** What do the animals in each puzzle have in common with each other?  
Hint: think about what they usually eat.

1. A large brown mammal with sharp claws found in Glacier National Park.
2. A common bird of prey that likes open areas of Shenandoah National Park.
3. The smallest and rarest member of the deer family found in Joshua Tree National Park.
4. A water-dwelling reptile with large sharp teeth in the Everglades.
5. This lone hunter found in Big Bend National Park can run up to 20 mph.
6. A large pink bird with a rounded beak found in Big Cypress National Preserve.
7. A wild cat that calls Yellowstone National Park home.
8. This national bird is a year-round resident of Voyageurs National Park.
9. A water-dwelling reptile with large sharp teeth in the Everglades.
10. A fresh water fish in Alaska National Park known for its big mouth.

1. A large rodent found in Mount Rainier National Park with teeth meant for gnawing on trees.
2. A four-legged animal known for climbing steep cliffs in Olympic National Park.
3. A gray mammal known as a "sea cow" often found in Laysan National Park.
4. A flying mammal with a sweet tooth in Denali National Park.
5. This invasive species is deadly to many National Park's largest animal.
6. The largest member of the deer family in Isle Royale National Park.
7. An animal with quills in Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore.
8. A mammal in Rocky Mountain National Park also known as a grizzly bear.
9. This small mammal lives in and under rocks in Monticello National Park.
10. A reptile often mistaken for a "gopher" in Voyageurs National Park.

**WORD BANK:** tortoise - donkey - kit fox - mountain goat - cougar - pink salmon - woodchuck - spoonbill - red tailed hawk - bass - moose - porcupine - grizzly bear - manatee - beaver - alligator - fruit bat - pika - coyote - bald eagle

# WILDLIFE WORDSEARCH

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Amphibians

Squirrels

Rodents

Reptiles

Insects

Turtles

Horses

Wolves

Foxes

Frogs

Deer

Raccoon

Fish

Bats

Bears

Birds

Owls



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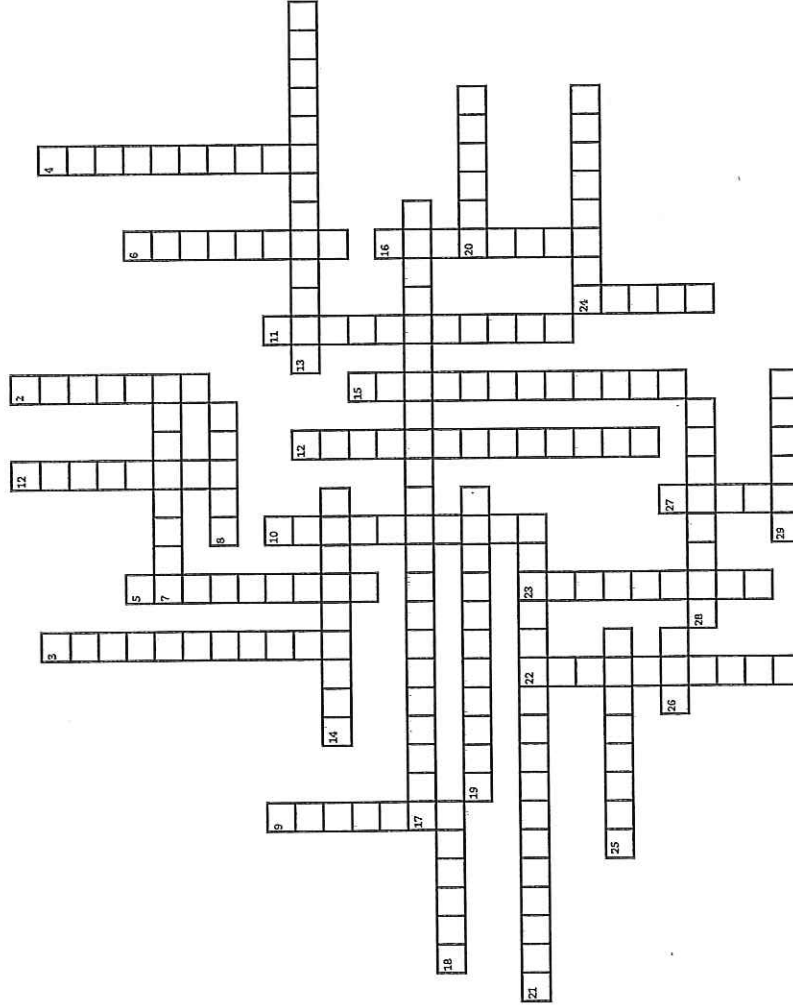
# PARKS CROSSWORDS #1

## DOWN

1. canine rangers in Alaska
2. an instrument used for navigation and orientation that shows direction
3. a steep-sided canyon carved by the Colorado River in Arizona
4. an area where water flows over a vertical drop
5. the place where a trail begins
6. one of America's most popular parks, known for its giant Sequoia trees and waterfalls
9. an outdoor activity involving an overnight stay
10. a strong desire to travel
11. the largest of the yuccas that grows in the Mojave Desert
12. public lands protected by NPS
15. the science of preserving and protecting natural resources
16. America's most famous and influential naturalist and conservationist
22. observing objects in the sky
23. to travel in or through an unfamiliar area
24. a type of canoe
27. a mark made on a tree to show a trail pathway

## ACROSS

7. the largest trees in the world
8. the largest mammal in North America
13. a massive sculpture carved into a mountainside in South Dakota
14. large landform that rises above the surrounding land in a limited area
17. the official nonprofit partner of the National Park Service
18. a long, vigorous walk
19. a cone geyser located in Yellowstone National Park
20. the outside world of plants, animals, landscapes, etc. referred to as the "conservation president"
21. a piece of fabric used to cover the head, or worn tied around the neck
24. provides light and warmth at night
25. a symbolic depiction emphasizing relationships between elements of some space
26. all organisms that grow or live wild in an area
28. a barren area of landscape where little precipitation occurs





## National Parks

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GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS  
HAWAII VOLCANOES  
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WIND CAVE  
YELLOWSTONE  
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ZION

# Create Your Own Park Logo or Arrowhead

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 [nps.gov/articles/create-your-own-park-logo-or-arrowhead.htm](https://nps.gov/articles/create-your-own-park-logo-or-arrowhead.htm)



The Arrowhead emblem symbolizes the natural, wildlife, water, geologic, historic, and cultural resources protected by the National Park Service.

National Parks are special places that protect history and culture and the American story. The different things that the National Park Service protects is seen in our Arrowhead logo. If you look at the logo above, you will see several different elements that are important in National Parks!

The mountain in the distance represents things like scenic beauty, special landforms, and geologic resources.

The tall tree represents the different natural resources protected (like trees and plant life).

The lake represents water resources and the creatures which live in that water.

The bison represents the wildlife that live inside of national parks.

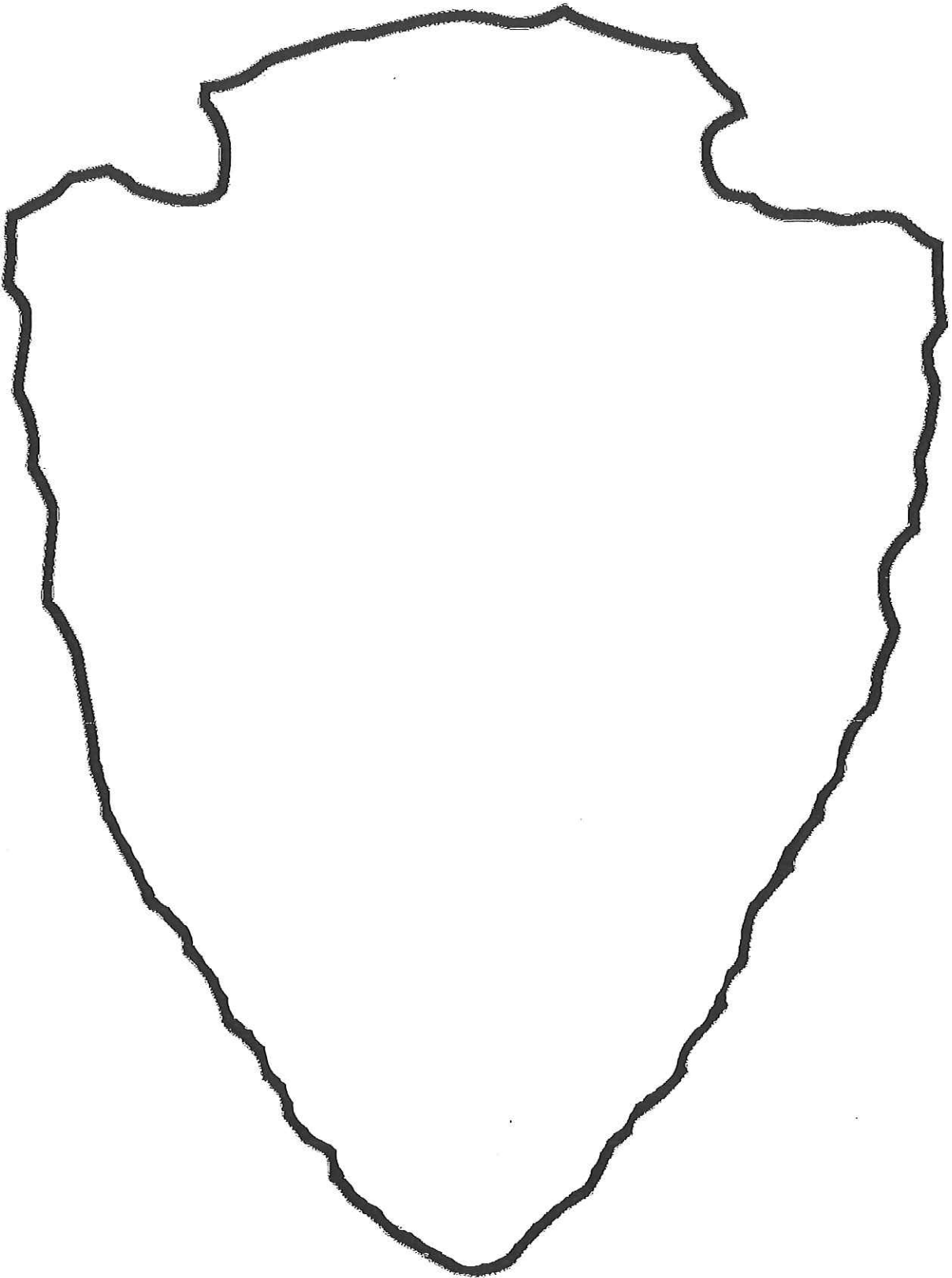
The arrowhead itself represents the culture and history of the people in the area within and around the national park.

See the link below to download a blank arrowhead logo for YOUR park! What is your park's name? What does your park protect and preserve? Get creative!

## Activity #1

## Make your own national park!

Use the blank arrowhead below to create a symbol for your park. Be creative!



# ARCHES

— NATIONAL PARK —



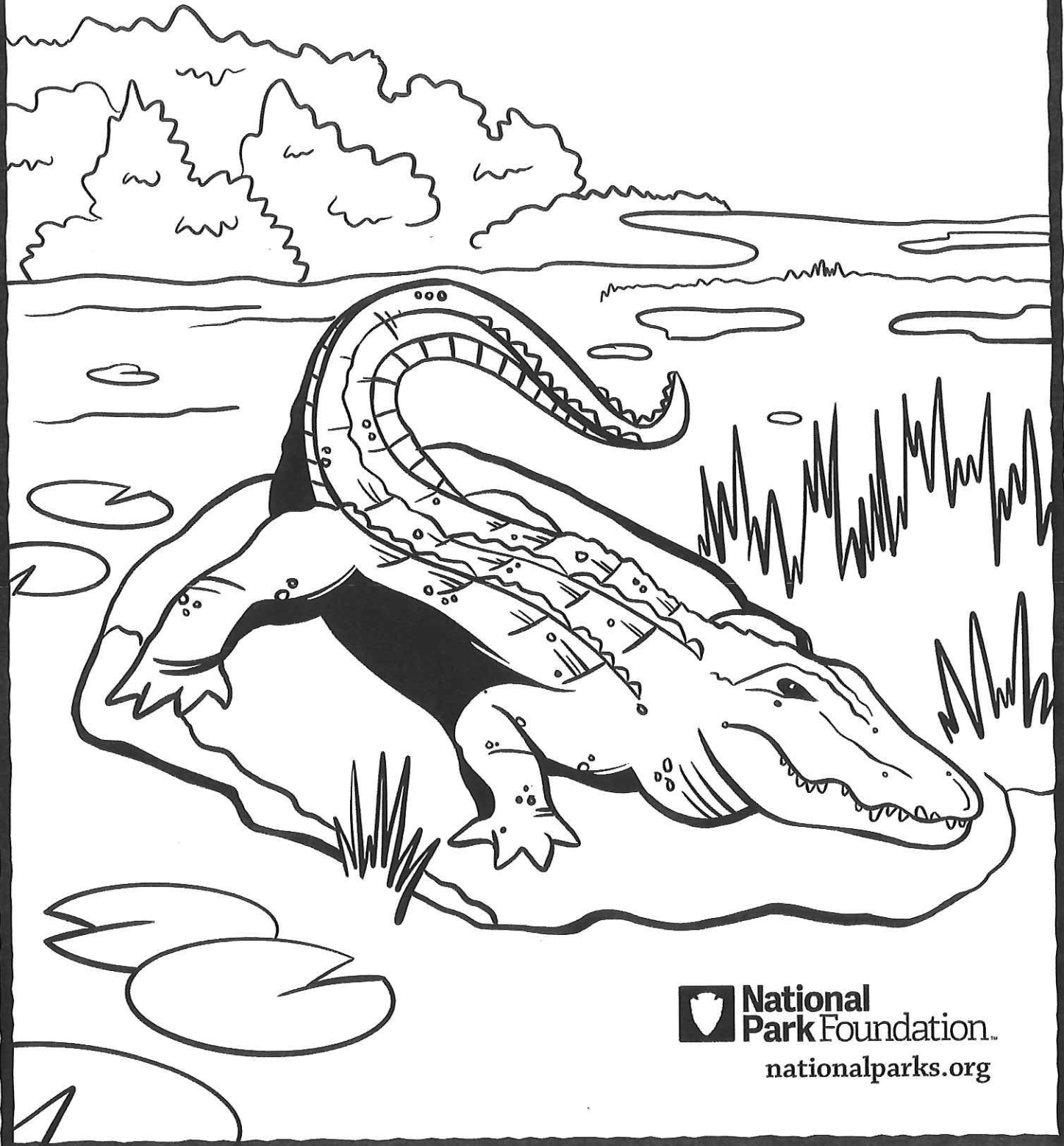
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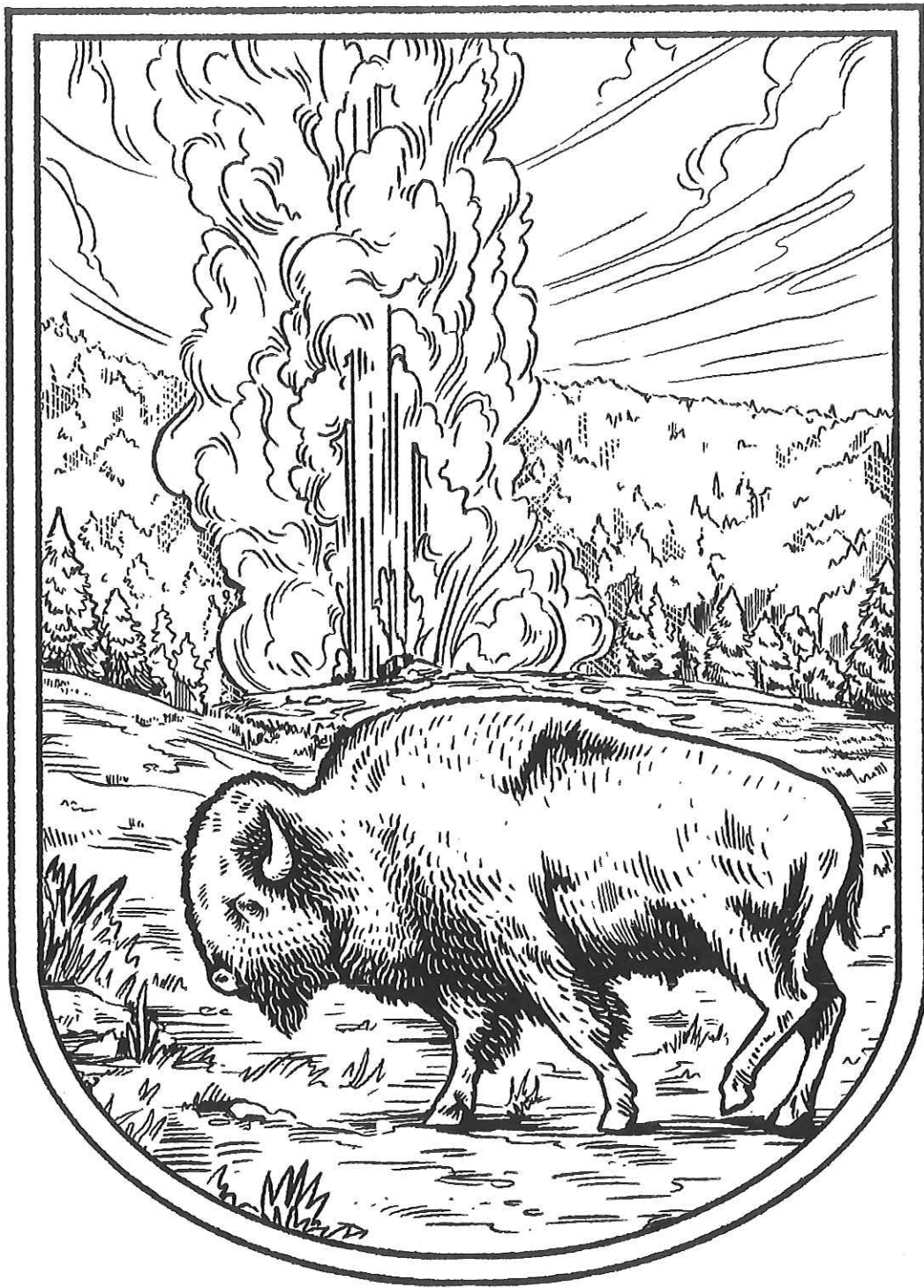


# EVERGLADES

— NATIONAL PARK



**National  
Park Foundation**  
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# YELLOWSTONE

— NATIONAL PARK —

# Animal Cookie Trail Mix Recipe

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 [ajoyfulriot.com/animal-cookie-trail-mix-recipe](http://ajoyfulriot.com/animal-cookie-trail-mix-recipe)

Over-the-top sweet and pink trail mix recipe featuring frosted animal cookies, chocolate pieces, birthday cake pretzels, candy-like dried strawberries and more!



## Ingredients


- 2 C animal cookies
- 1/2 C macadamia nuts
- 1 C vanilla chex
- 10 pink wafer cookies
- 1 bag birthday cake white chocolate pretzels
- 1/2 C white chocolate chips
- 1 C yogurt covered almonds
- 3/4 C dried strawberries
- 1/4 C pink sixlets
- 1 1/2 C pink mini marshmallows

## Instructions

1. Chop animal cookies into thirds/fourths/halves. I just kind of mixed up my cuts to get a variety of sizes.
2. Chop wafer cookies into small squares (fourths).
3. Chop pretzels into thirds.
4. Mix all ingredients together!

This mix is perfect for parties! Whether it be a shower or a birthday party, you can set this out in any cute variety of treat cups and people will definitely enjoy it! Or put it in cellophane bags and send home with guests as your favor. Attach a cute treat bag topper and call it good!

# Maple Glazed Nut-Free Trail Mix (Dairy Free, Gluten Free, Vegan)

 [dairyfreeforbaby.com/nut-free-trail-mix](https://dairyfreeforbaby.com/nut-free-trail-mix)

*Disclaimer: I've identified potential allergens below but as always, check the ingredients and labels to verify for yourself. There's always a chance I may miss something or that a manufacturer has changed formulations.*

## Allergens in this recipe

As long as the products you are choosing do not contain any odd added ingredients, this recipe should actually be top 8 allergen free! This includes a few caveats:

- Double check your dried fruit if sensitive to soy. A while back, I came across dried cranberries that had soy lecithin in them. This was a few years back and at the grocery store the other day, I didn't see any that contained soy. But always worth a second glance to verify.
- Be sure you choose allergen-free chocolate chips, like Enjoy Life or the new Nestle Simply Delicious line. Most regular chocolate chips on the market contain milk so you'll want to make sure you buy chocolate chips that are specifically dairy free if this is a concern.
- If you have serious allergies, check for cross contamination labels. For example, some seeds may be processed alongside nuts.

## Ingredients

- 1/4 cup maple syrup
- 1/8 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp pumpkin pie spice
- 1/2 cup<sup>6</sup>shelled pumpkin seeds
- 1/2 cup roasted shelled sunflower seeds
- 1/3 cup dried cranberries
- 1/3 cup golden raisins
- 6 dried apricots, chopped into smaller pieces
- 1/4 cup allergen-free chocolate chips or chunks (i.e. Enjoy Life)

## Instructions

1. Prepare a baking sheet with parchment paper. Set aside.
2. Add the maple syrup to a small pot over medium heat. When it starts to bubble, stir in the salt and pumpkin pie spice. Reduce heat to medium low, and add the pumpkin seeds and sunflower seeds.
3. Continue to cook for 3-5 minutes, stirring often. Be sure to watch this closely as it's a fine line between a nice maple coating and burning the mix. When there appears to be no more "extra" syrup in the pot and everything is sticking to the seeds, remove from heat and pour the mixture onto the parchment paper. Let cool.
4. Once cool, the seeds should have a firm glaze on the outside. Break apart any clusters as needed, and mix in a bowl with the remainder of the ingredients. Enjoy!

## Recipe Notes

- Makes approximately 7 servings of 1/3 cup each.
- Store in an airtight bag or container at room temperature for up to a week.

**Nutrition analysis (approximate per serving):**

225 calories, 10.5 g fat, 2.5 g saturated fat, 111 mg sodium, 29 g carbohydrate, 3 g fiber, 21 g sugar, 5 g protein, Vitamin A: 0%, Vitamin C: 1%, Calcium: 3%, Iron: 9%



# Junior Book Ranger Activity Card

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write (then mail) a letter to the park rangers who protect the park you'd most like to visit	solve the crossword puzzle or word search about the various animals found in the national parks (included in your folder)	learn about the meaning behind the National Park Service logo, then design your own (included in your folder)	watch the video author & illustrator Evan Turk made especially for Bellefonte: <a href="https://bit.ly/ETurkvideo">https://bit.ly/ETurkvideo</a>	make a top 10 list of the national parks you'd most like to visit and list a natural resource you'd like to see at each one
sign up for the library's Tail Waggin' Tutors program and read your new book to a furry friend any Thursday afternoon in April	discuss the questions that go along with your book with a caregiver or friend (included in your folder); digital copy: <a href="https://bit.ly/3K3fIL1">https://bit.ly/3K3fIL1</a>	color one of the national parks coloring sheets (included in your folder)	watch this brief video that provides an overview of the national parks: <a href="https://bit.ly/3wS15Ba">https://bit.ly/3wS15Ba</a>	make trail mix that will fuel you during a hike (recipe included in your folder); additional recipes can be found at: <a href="https://pin.it/1FYfnzg">https://pin.it/1FYfnzg</a>
play one of the many fun games found on the National Parks site at: <a href="https://bit.ly/NPSgames">https://bit.ly/NPSgames</a>	tune into the National Park Service's Junior Ranger Radio to learn more about parks through catchy tunes: <a href="https://bit.ly/3ITveDI">https://bit.ly/3ITveDI</a>	read your new Bellefonte READS book with or to a caregiver (then read it again, and again, and again!)	write and mail a letter to the author or illustrator of your new book	go for a hike and explore the nature that surrounds you right here in Bellefonte
write an ode (a poem written in celebration, appreciation, or dedication of something) about what HOME means to you	draw yourself as a park ranger (sheets included in your folder)	send a thank you note to a business or organization that donated to this year's program: <a href="https://bit.ly/BRLetter">https://bit.ly/BRLetter</a>	use common household materials to replicate a natural resource from one of the National Parks	watch the video author Catherine Stier made especially for Bellefonte: <a href="https://bit.ly/3NBLaNq">https://bit.ly/3NBLaNq</a>
explore some of the parks by viewing them in real time at: <a href="https://bit.ly/NPcamera">https://bit.ly/NPcamera</a>	explore the national parks with Elmo and Sesame Street: <a href="https://bit.ly/ELMOnp">https://bit.ly/ELMOnp</a>	complete any of the fun activity guides found on the NPS site: <a href="https://bit.ly/NPguides">https://bit.ly/NPguides</a>	draw or paint a picture of one of the National Parks or animals you learned about in your book; list a few facts to go along with your illustration	check out one of the books from our "If you liked this book, check out this..." list (included in your folder); digital copy can be found here: <a href="https://bit.ly/3K3fIL1">https://bit.ly/3K3fIL1</a>

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What did you love about this year's books?

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Which activity from the PARKS card did you enjoy engaging in the most? Why?

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# Not-So-Junior Book Ranger Activity Card

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mail a letter or send an email to the park rangers of your favorite park (contact info listed on each park's site)	solve the crossword puzzle or word search about the national parks (included in your folder)	check out some of the cool national parks jobs, internships, and volunteer opportunities available for teens: <a href="https://bit.ly/3tUaYMM">https://bit.ly/3tUaYMM</a>	honor Indigineous history by learning about 15 parks that have extensive connections to tribes: <a href="https://bit.ly/386vYav">https://bit.ly/386vYav</a>	make a top 10 list of the national parks you'd most like to visit and what you'd like to explore there
follow the National Park Service on social media and/or bookmark their site on your laptop	discuss the questions that go along with your book with a family member or friend (included in your folder); digital copy: <a href="https://bit.ly/3K3fLL1">https://bit.ly/3K3fLL1</a>	color one of the national parks coloring sheets provided in your folder	watch this brief video that provides an overview of the national parks: <a href="https://bit.ly/3wS15Ba">https://bit.ly/3wS15Ba</a>	make trail mix that will fuel you during a hike (recipe included in your folder); additional recipes can be found at: <a href="https://pin.it/1FYfnzg">https://pin.it/1FYfnzg</a>
study Amber Share's hand lettering style and mimic it, spelling out the phrase "National Parks"; check out her blog for video tutorials: <a href="https://bit.ly/3NwANKu">https://bit.ly/3NwANKu</a>	take a picture of your new book(s) or any of the activities you complete; post it on social media using our event hashtags (or have a parent post for you)	read your new Bellefonte READS book, then spread the book love by sharing it with a family member or friend	write a letter or send an email to Amber Share, telling her what you enjoyed about her book	check out one of the books from our "If you liked this book, check out this..." list (included in your folder); digital copy can be found here: <a href="https://bit.ly/3K3fLL1">https://bit.ly/3K3fLL1</a>
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explore some of the parks by viewing them in real time at: <a href="https://bit.ly/NPcamera">https://bit.ly/NPcamera</a>	create a park playlist perfect for a road trip through the national parks	take a few minutes to pause and reflect as you listen to relaxing sounds from the national parks via PARKTRACKS: <a href="https://bit.ly/379OHBO">https://bit.ly/379OHBO</a>	test your knowledge of the national parks with this fun trivia game: <a href="https://bit.ly/373WosU">https://bit.ly/373WosU</a>	go for a hike and explore the nature that surrounds you right here in Bellefonte

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What is something new you learned from this year's books?

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Which activity from the PARKS card did you enjoy engaging in the most? Why?

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# Adult Book Ranger Activity Card

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check out Purple Lizard Maps for great info about local hiking trails and hiking tips: <a href="https://www.purplelizard.com/blogs/news">https://www.purplelizard.com/blogs/news</a>	create a park playlist perfect for a road trip through the national parks	send a thank you note to a business or organization that donated to this year's program: <a href="https://bit.ly/BRLetter">https://bit.ly/BRLetter</a>	attend the library's Book Lovers Coffee Hour on April 9th or the adult "Dear Bob & Sue" Book Club Chat on April 20th	read this article about the Buffalo Soldiers, often referred to as the "first caretakers of the national parks": <a href="https://bit.ly/3IV5oOP">https://bit.ly/3IV5oOP</a>
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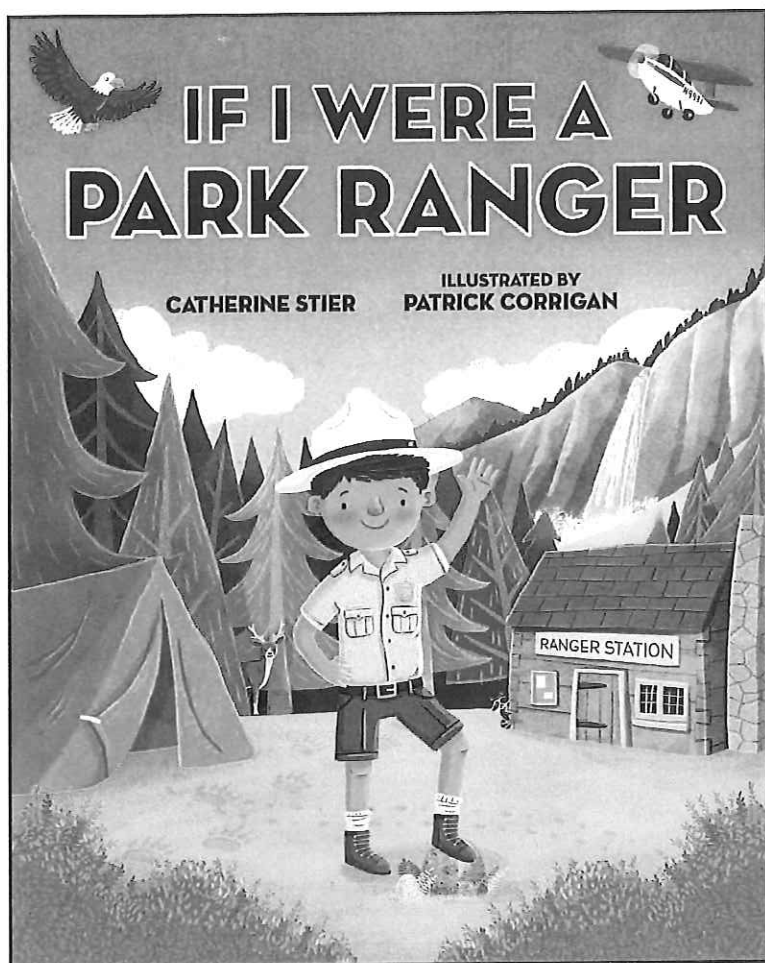
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## If YOU were a park ranger, what would you do?

Would you work in the mountains, in the desert, or at the seashore? Would you protect animals? Would you tell stories to campers? Would you lead tours paddling a kayak or wearing snowshoes? Would you help people who are injured or lost?

Park rangers do all these jobs—and more!

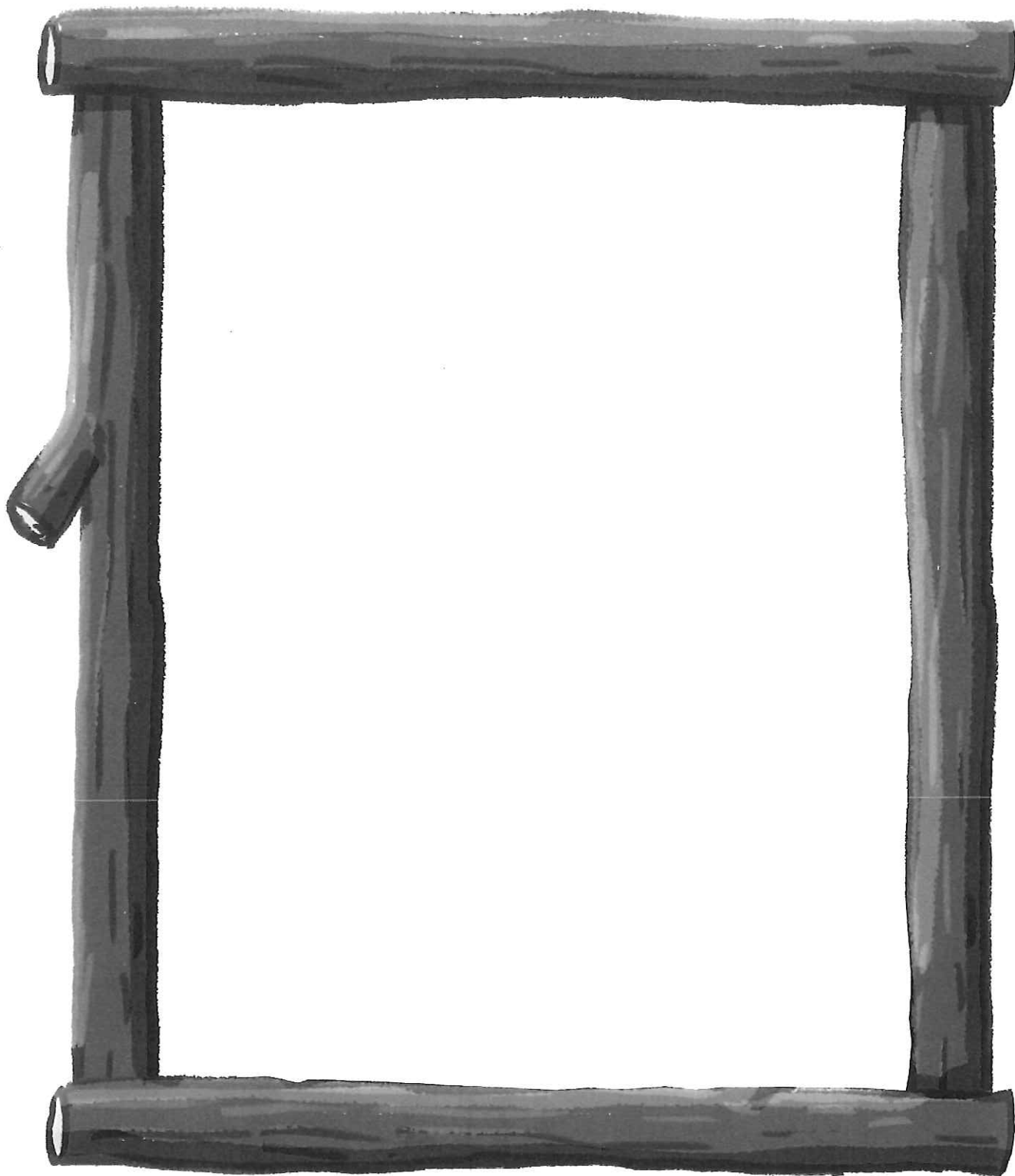
On the next page, draw a picture of yourself as a park ranger. Cut out some of the images below and glue them to your drawing.



IF I WERE A PARK RANGER  
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If I were a park ranger, I'd

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