

CYPRESS GARDENS

Scavenger Hunt for Swamparium

Main Area

- 1) What is one way that a turtle or tortoise might get hurt and need help?
They are hit by cars, bit by dogs, caught on fisherman's hooks, and their habitat is developed by man (and our Frankenturtle was shot)

- 2) Name one animal that looks like an eel, but actually has small legs.
Two-toed Amphiuma or Greater Siren

- 3) Why is the water dark in the swamp and in some of the tanks?
Tannic acid (from the tree leaves that fall in)

- 4) What food would you pack in a lunch for a box turtle?
Worms, slugs, mushrooms, or wild berries

- 5) Name one venomous snake that you see.
Eastern Cottonmouth, Eastern Diamondback rattlesnake, Canebrake rattlesnake, Southern Copperhead, or Carolina Pigmy rattlesnake

- 6) Which nonvenomous snake is also known as a "chicken snake"?
Greenish Rat

- 7) Name two kinds of turtles that are smaller than 6 inches long.
Eastern Mud, Eastern Musk (Stinkpot), Spotted, or some Chicken turtles

- 8) How many claws does an alligator have on each foot?
Three

Swamps of the World

- 9) What is the smallest kind of crocodile in the world?
African Dwarf

- 10) What kind of snakeskin is on the wall over the Monitor lizard tank?
Reticulated Python

Alligator Crossing (outside)

- 11) Should you feed alligators?
No, it is against the law and makes them dangerous