



Pre-K Junior Dunes Ranger Activity Book





Become a Junior Dunes Ranger!



Welcome to White Sands friends! My name is Riley, and I am excited to share my favorite place with you today. We are going to have a great adventure exploring and learning about White Sands, the world's largest gypsum dunefield.

When you are finished with your activities, please return your book to a park ranger in the visitor center to be sworn in as an official White Sands Junior Dunes Ranger! If you have any questions, please ask a park ranger. Let's explore White Sands!

Riley

Parents: This is a family program. Feel free to help your aspiring Junior Ranger. We hope that your whole family learns about the monument.

Are you on a tight timeline and can't return your book today? Not a problem. Mail in your book to the address below and a ranger will take a look at it. Just make sure you let us know if you want a badge or patch.

Address: White Sands NM, PO Box 1086, Holloman AFB, NM 88330.

Needing Color

Riley's been out in the sun too long and has lost all of her color. Help her get her color back by coloring her in.

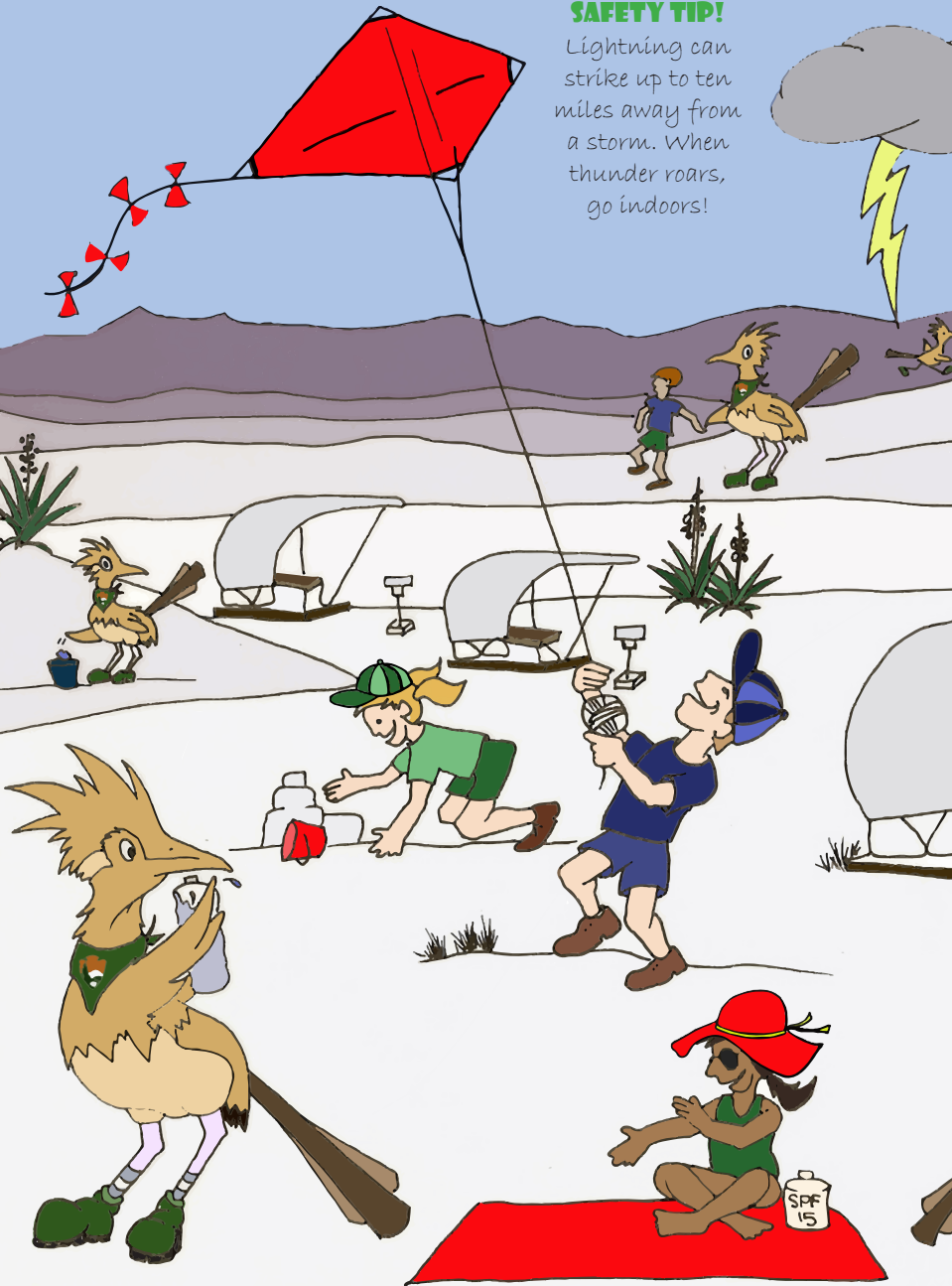


Having Fun and Being Safe

Leave No Trace

SAFETY TIP!

Lightning can strike up to ten miles away from a storm. When thunder roars, go indoors!



Riley loves being outside and having fun! She knows the best way to enjoy White Sands is to follow a few safety tips. Find and circle all the safe ways Riley is enjoying the dunes. Riley's safety tips:

Drink lots of water

Be prepared for your hike

Throw away trash in a trash can

Keep pets on a leash

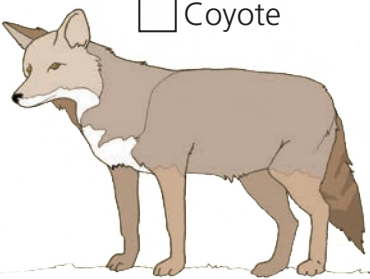

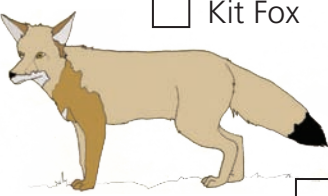





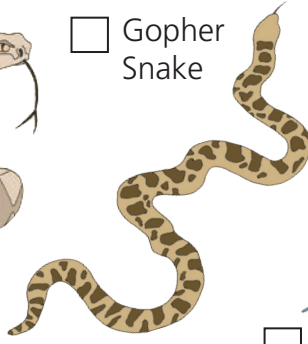

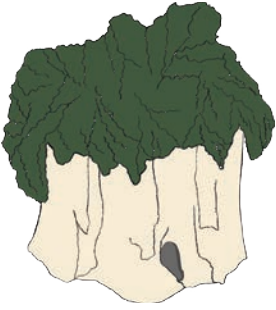


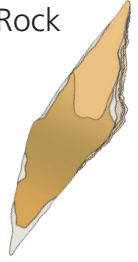
Wear a hat, sunscreen, & sunglasses

Hike with a friend

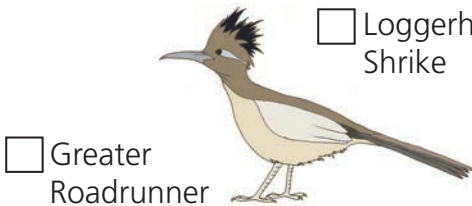


Nature and Geology Checklist

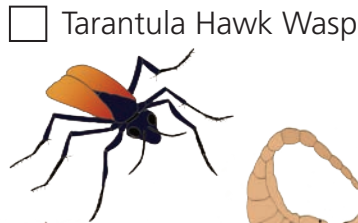
This is a checklist of some of Riley's favorite things. As you visit the monument, check off any of them that you find. Some of the critters only come out at night so don't be discouraged if you can't find them all.

Mammals	<input type="checkbox"/> Coyote	<input type="checkbox"/> American Badger
		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Kit Fox	Apache Pocket Mouse <input type="checkbox"/>
		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Blacktail Jackrabbit	<input type="checkbox"/> Kangaroo Rat
		
Reptiles	<input type="checkbox"/> Gopher Snake	<input type="checkbox"/> Bleached Earless Lizard
		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Western Diamondback Rattlesnake	<input type="checkbox"/> Little striped Whiptail
		
Geology	<input type="checkbox"/> Plant Pedestal	<input type="checkbox"/> Gypsum Rock
		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Sand	<input type="checkbox"/> Selenite Crystal
		

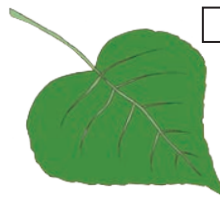
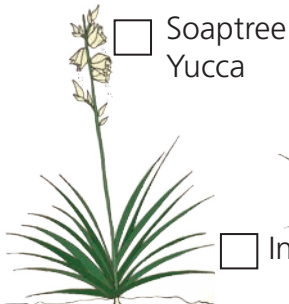
Did you see something that's not on the list? Draw or describe it in the space below. Ask a ranger if they can help identify it.



Birds



Insects



Plants

Junior Ranger Pledge

I promise to,



Learn about other National Parks;



Help keep special places clean, safe,
and beautiful for everyone;



Not disturb or collect objects I see
and leave them for others to enjoy;



Become a Junior Ranger in other National Parks.

Certificate of Achievement

This certifies that

_____ has met the requirements of a
White Sands Junior Dunes Ranger.

_____ Ranger Signature

