



Sandia Ranger District



Junior Ranger Program – High Mountain Ecosystem

Nature Trail Quiz

Grades 3-5

Please circle the correct answer to each question

1. If you see a deer you should:

- a. Try to catch it
- b. Offer it food to bring it closer
- c. Enjoy it from a distance
- d. Make noise to scare it away



2. Ocean fossils on the Sandia Mountains are found in:

- a. Puddles
- b. Tree bark
- c. Limestone rock
- d. Bird nests

3. What is "Forest Litter"?

- a. Cups and candy wrappers left on the trail
- b. Decomposing logs and leaves
- c. Hard pebbles from broken rock
- d. Piles of feathers



Please fill in the following facts about high mountain trees by using the Word Bank below

1. An evergreen tree with sharp needles is an _____.
2. A _____ tree is shaped by wind and bare on one side.
3. Old Man's Beard is not a moss, it is a _____.
4. A shrub-like tree with helicopter seeds is called a _____.
5. _____ trees have light colored bark and golden leaves in the fall.

Word Bank

Aspen

flagged

Rocky Mountain Maple

tree lichen

Engelman Spruce

Draw a wild thing from the Sandia Mountains that you saw today, like flowers, pine cones, or animals, and tell why you think we should leave these things in the forest. Think about how each thing lives with and helps forest ecology, and how the forest keeps these alive and well for us to enjoy.

We hope you had fun in the mountains, and thanks for being a



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