

WASHED ASHORE

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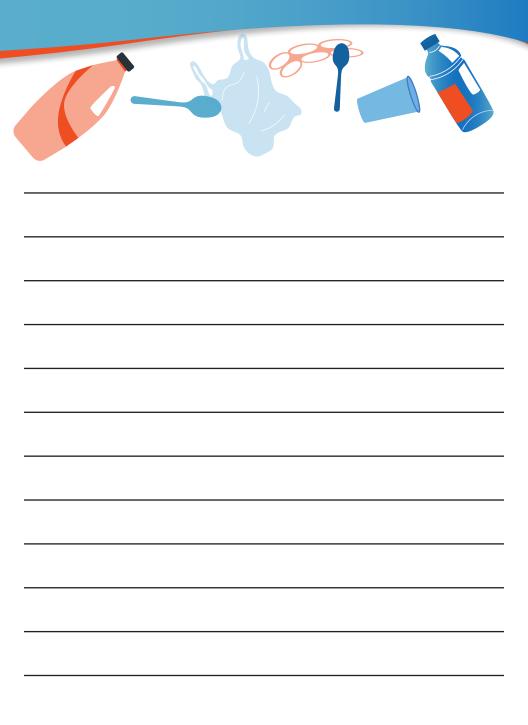
Kids Activity Book

MAKING A SPLASH THROUGH JUNE 30TH, 2024 TUCSON BOTANICAL GARDENS

plastic Object Hunt

How many different objects can you identify in the sculptures? Write what color they are and which sculpture you found them on. *Example: Blue sand shovel on Finn*

I spy with my little eye...



Fill in the Blank

Find and use the sculpture signs to fill in the missing information in the following sentences:



Jellyfish

Some jellyfish species have been around for _____ million years!

Did You Know: Jellyfish Anatomy Jellyfish are not actually fish at all. They have no bones (invertebrates), no brain, teeth or blood!

Priscilla

Parrotfish eat algae on _____which gets ground up during digestion and makes



Did You Know: Parrotfish Defense

Parrotfish wrap themselves in a cocoon of mucus when they sleep to keep other creatures from picking up their scent.





Do penguins fly? Yes or No?

Did You Know: Rockhopper Behavior

Rockhoppers are unique for penguins. Instead of sliding on their bellies, they hop from rock to rock and they defend their young by slapping others with their fins.

Finn

Mako Sharks can travel up to _____ miles per hour.



Did You Know: Food Web Fact

Short Fin Mako Sharks are at the top of the marine food chain. The only other ocean animal known to attack them are Orca Whales.



Tufted Puffins _____ and swim with their _____ to catch their food.

Did You Know: Puffin Behavior

Usually, puffins eat their prey underwater in the open ocean, but when they are raising their young (called pufflings) they hold up to 20 fish at a time in their beaks.

A group of puffins is called a circus!



Humpback Whales can grow up to _____ feet long!



Did You Know: Whale Anatomy

The unique bumps on a humpback whale's head each contain one hair that perceives sensory information, much like a cat's whiskers.

Land vs. Sea

Have you ever noticed that desert plants can look a lot like plants and animals that live in the sea? The cacti and succulents in the Washed Ashore Exhibit were planted to look like a coral reef.

Which of our plants look the most like creatures you'd find in the coral reef? Draw a line from one column to the other to make a match.



Donkey Tail (Sedum)



Squishy Baby Fingers (Blue African Succulent)



Ornamental Cabbage



Caper Spurge (Euphorbia) Did you know?

Corals may look like plants, but they are actually animals!



Fire Coral



Sea Lily (Feather Star Fish)



Stony Coral



Pulsing Xenia Coral

Be an Investigator

The best way to make a difference in plastic pollution is to be informed. Talk to your local officials to find out what your community does with its trash and recycling. You can also pick up trash in your neighborhood, on a walk, or on a visit to the beach!

Scan the QR code below to watch videos, download this activity book, and find other fun resources to learn more about how you can help!



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