

CUT CARDS APART ALONG SOLID BLACK LINES

How should you dress for the day if you don't know what the weather's going to be?

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

What research should you do before biking the C&O Canal towpath? Where can you stay if you want to make it an overnight adventure?

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Some of the trails on Bear Island and other places can be tricky. What do you need to bring with you to keep from getting lost?

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What research should you do before hiking the Billy Goat Trail on Bear Island?

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You want to bring your dog, but pets can trample all over plants and small critters. How will you keep your dog on the trail?

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It's a warm April day and you want to rent a kayak to paddle around Theodore Roosevelt Island? Can you? How would you find out?

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Animals poop in the woods, so why can't your dog do it? Isn't all poop pretty much the same?

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Does the Great Falls Tavern still serve ale to weary travelers? Why is this building so historic?

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What tools can you use to learn about the area you're visiting?

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Who actually owns the Potomac River? Do Virginia and Maryland split it right down the middle?

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Where should you walk when hiking through any of the parks along the Potomac Gorge?

STICK TO TRAILS AND
CAMP OVERNIGHT RIGHT

What would happen if you camped in a place you weren't supposed to?

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What "rules of the road" do you need to know when riding your bike in the Gorge?

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Should you blaze your own trail and set up camp where ever you want?

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Does it matter if you step on flowers or small trees? They seem to be everywhere, after all.

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Should you dig trenches in your campsite? Why or why not?

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The public areas owned by the National Park Service are next to private property. What's the big deal if you wander onto someone's private land?

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You want to build a lean-to by your tent. The ranger said no. What's the big deal?

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Does it really matter where to pitch your tent if you go camping? It's all woods, isn't it?

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Why do they say you can't pick flowers or take home any rocks or shells?

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They say that I should pack my trash in and out. It's a big place. What does one little candy wrapper matter?

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Should you keep the water clean? Why or why not?

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What should you do with crumbs, peels, and fruit cores when you're in the woods?

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Should you wash your face with soap in the river or any body of water?

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Sometimes those porta-potties are so stinky. What's the big deal if I just pee in the woods?

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Won't animals eat my apple cores and bread crusts? Why do I have to pack that stuff out with me?

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What should you do if there's not a bathroom or outhouse near a campsite?

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Should you pee or poop in any body of water?

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What should you use to pick up your pet's poop?

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Should you dump your pet's poop in the river?

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You see a family walking off with big rocks in their arms? Do you tell them to stop, tell a ranger, or just let it go?

LEAVE IT AS YOU FIND IT

Locate Ft. Marcy on your map.

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That plant looks like something your mom would like in her garden. Why not just take it home with you?

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Locate Bear Island on your map.

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They said that all the arrowheads have been discovered, but you just found one. Why not just tuck it in your pocket?

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Locate Theodore Roosevelt Island on your map.

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You're not supposed to carve your initials in a tree? Kids have been doing this for generations! What's the big deal now?

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Locate Chesapeake & Ohio National Historical Park on your map.

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You want to drag a log out of the woods to sit on while you eat your lunch. Your teacher says no. It's not like you're hurting anything. Right?

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Locate Great Falls Park in Virginia on your map.

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It's a park with plenty of dry wood for a fire. Why pack a camp stove when you can just use the wood that nature provides?

BE CAREFUL WITH FIRE

You cooked too much dinner for everyone. What about burning the leftovers in the fire?

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Should you build a campfire before checking if it's safe? Why?

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Is it O.K. to gather firewood at your campground? How would you find out?

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Big bonfires are so cool. So why not have a rip-roaring fire that shoots sparks up to the tree tops?

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Should you leave your fire unattended? Why or why not?

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There's a fire ring at your camp site, but you want to build a fire closer to your tent. What's the best choice?

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Should you burn all your wood to ash before you leave? Why?

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Should you throw your trash into the campfire? That way, you don't have to pack it out.

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There are still a few glowing embers in your campfire. But, it is really late and you're tired. Do you stay up or just hope that it burns itself out?

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We all want to be the kind of people who can earn the trust of wild animals. Is it a good idea to try to get an animal to let you get close?

KEEP WILDLIFE WILD

Should you follow the wild animals?

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What's the best way to observe wildlife, like deer?

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How should you secure your food when you're camping?

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Salamanders breathe through their skin. How can you observe them without picking them up?

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How should you secure your trash when you're camping?

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You turn over a log to check out the insects crawling around on the underside. What do you need to do before walking away?

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What is the "fall line" and how does it impact the kinds of plants you find in the Potomac Gorge?

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Should you try to feed wild animals?

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Mather Gorge is popular with kayakers. Find it!

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What should you do when passing others on the trail? Why?

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Why is it good not to bother anyone else when on a trail?

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Why should you keep your pet under control?

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Why do you think other visitors come to national parks?

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What will you protect if you keep your pet under control?

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Why do you see more wildlife if you are quiet?

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Why should you listen to nature?

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What are good cell phone manners when hiking?
(Hint: think movie manners.)

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Should you avoid making loud noises or yelling while in the forest? Why or why not?

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What is a trail blaze and what does it do?

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