



Animal Tracking Honor

Saturday, October 10, 2020



1. Know ten kinds of tracks, including two kinds of bird tracks. Make plaster casts of five.

2. Name at least three things that tracks tell us.

3. Trail some animal tracks, identify the animal if possible, and tell whether it was running or walking. Measure between the tracks of one animal when running and walking.

4. Maintain a tracking station for at least three days by doing the following:
 - a. Select a flat open space in some quiet place near your camp or home.
 - b. Smooth out ground, mud, sand, etc.
 - c. Do not place food for animals at the tracking station. Learn why feeding wild animals is illegal in many jurisdictions.
 - d. Check each day for tracks and identify what animal made it. Cast, sketch or photograph at least one of the tracks.



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5. Name two animals for each tracking group.

- a. Flatfoots-
- b. Toe walkers-
- c. Toenails walkers-
- d. Boulders or long hindleggers-

6. Name four signs of the presence of mammals.

7. Distinguish between rabbit and squirrel tracks, and between dog and cat family tracks.

8. Name two groups of animals (mammals, birds, insects, etc...) that leave tracks or scent trails that another of their kind can follow.

9. Name two birds for each of the following type of tracks:

- a. Hopping-
- b. Walking-



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10. Besides tracks, give two other signs of the presence of birds.

11. Name two birds identified by their flying patterns.

12. In your area, observe tracks or trail of one or more of the following

- a. Toad or Frog
- b. Snake
- c. Turtle
- d. Mollusk
- e. Earthworm
- f. Mole

Animal Tracking Honor Materials List

1. Pen/pencil
2. Animal Tracking Honor Worksheet
3. Animal tracks or animal track molds (if you don't have any, you can find them at Walmart or Target)
4. Dry Plaster of Paris (under \$5 at Walmart)
5. Water
6. Spoons to mix with or a painter stirrer
7. Plastic or paper cups
8. Scissors or a knife