



## 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 park.

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.

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

# Needing Color

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

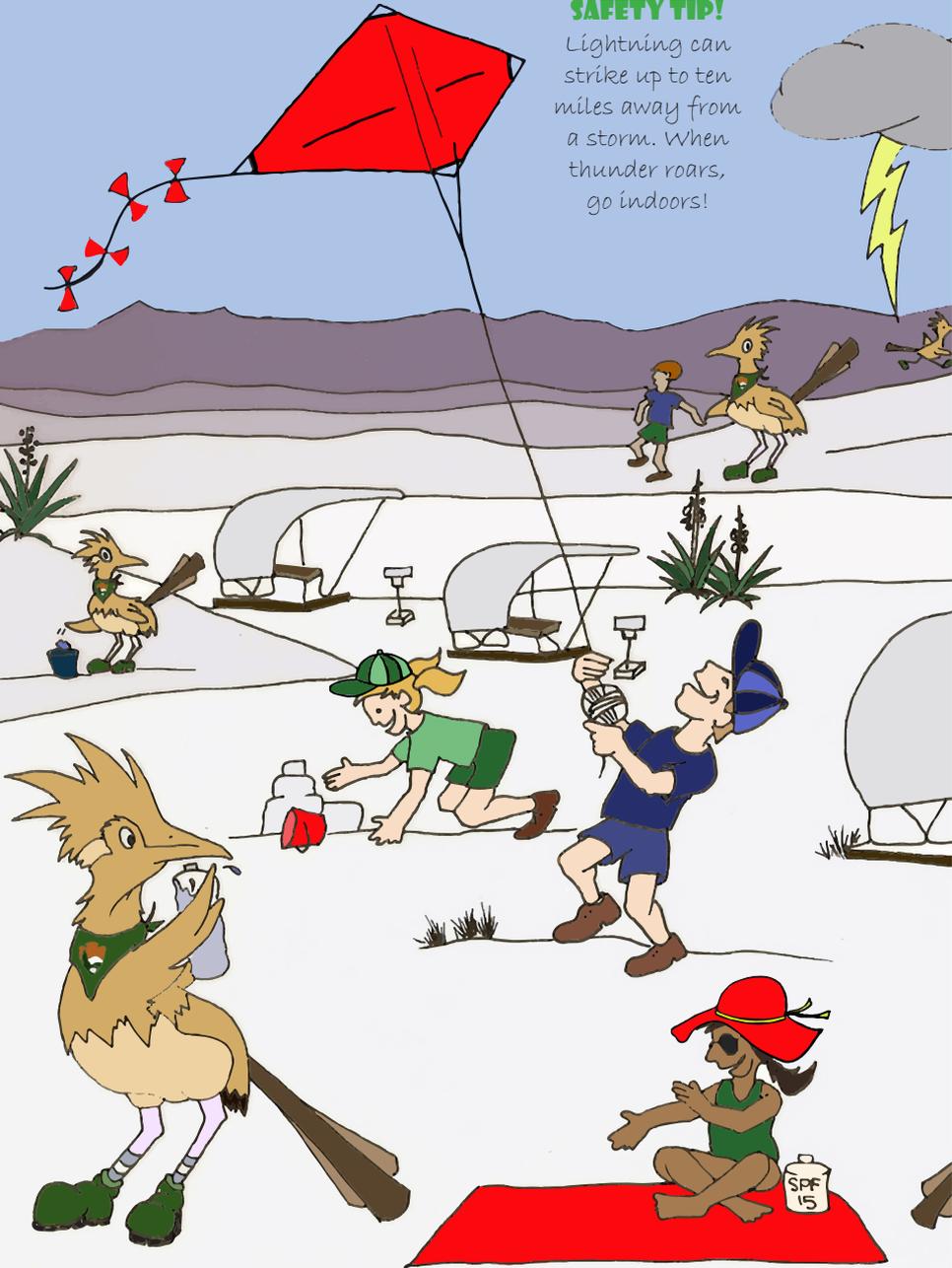


# Having Fun and Being Safe

## 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 or her friends are 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

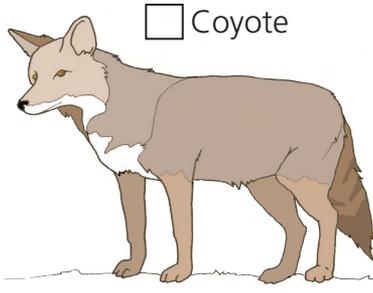
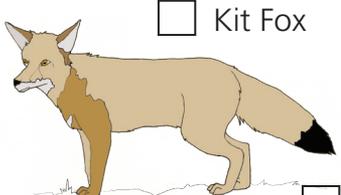
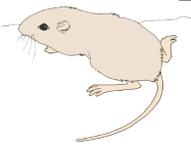
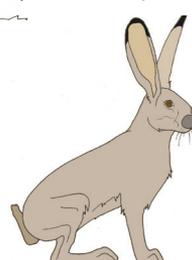
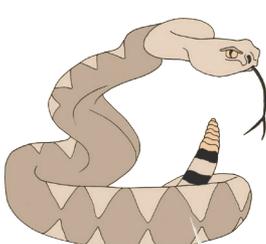
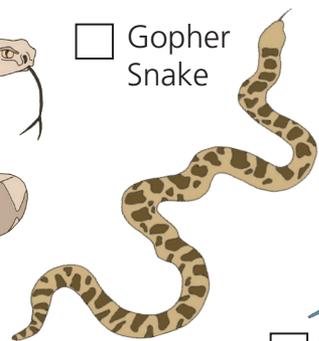
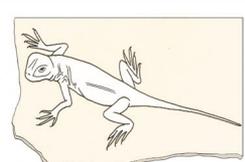
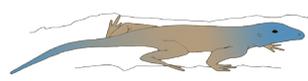
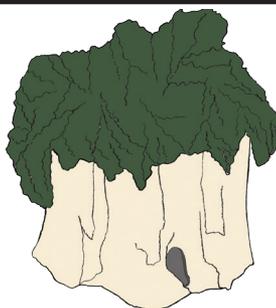
Wear a hat, sunscreen, & sunglasses

Hike with a friend

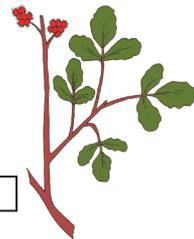
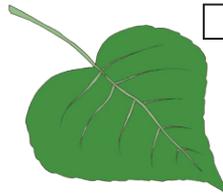
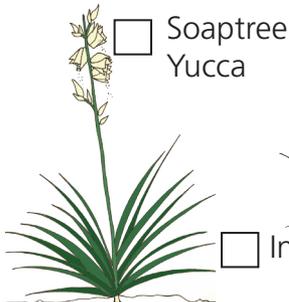
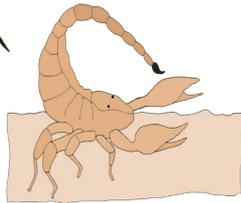
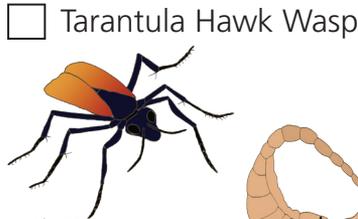
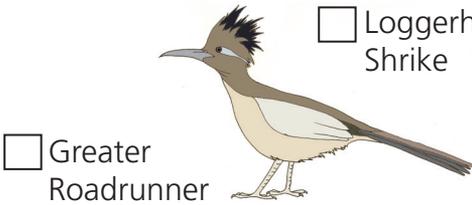


# Nature and Geology Checklist

This is a checklist of some of Riley's favorite things. As you visit the park, 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 	<input type="checkbox"/> Apache Pocket Mouse  <input type="checkbox"/> Kangaroo Rat  <input type="checkbox"/> Blacktail Jackrabbit 
Reptiles	<input type="checkbox"/> Western Diamondback Rattlesnake 	<input type="checkbox"/> Gopher Snake  <input type="checkbox"/> Bleached Earless Lizard  <input type="checkbox"/> Little striped Whiptail 
	Geology	<input type="checkbox"/> Plant Pedestal 

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 am proud to be a Junior Ranger at  
White Sands National Park. I will continue to  
learn about nature, and all people, so we can  
work together to protect our national parks  
and the places we live.

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## Certificate of Achievement

This certifies that

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

\_\_\_\_\_ Ranger Signature

