

How to Play the Wildlife Identification Game

Try this game of identification while you are in Yellowstone National Park. Place a check mark ✓ next to the picture of each bird or mammal you see. Each check mark is worth ten points. Add up your score as you leave the park. Any score above 70 is very good.

Watch each animal for at least a few minutes and try to figure out if it is a plant eater (herbivore), meat eater (carnivore), or both (omnivore). When you return home, read about the animals you have seen here and learn more about their habits.

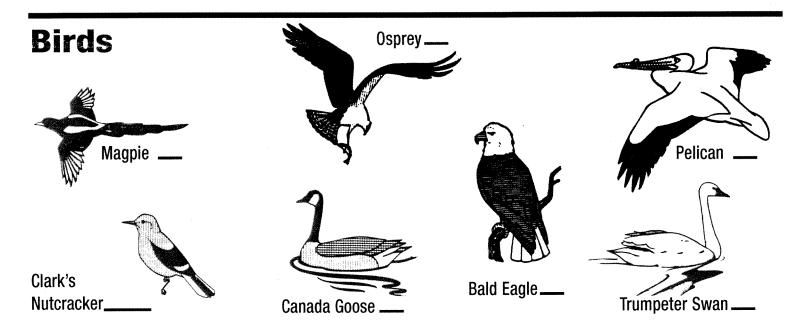
About Predators

Meat eaters (carnivores) are also called predators because they prey on other animals. Predators are important because they help keep the population of other animals in balance with their food supplies.

Predators also help feed other animals. When wolves kill an elk, many other animals soon arrive. Ravens and eagles fly in, coyotes come by. They will eat after the wolves leave. Later, other birds, mammals, and insects will pick at the bones. Before long, little is left of the animal that died, but many other animals have been fed.

Be a Wise Wildlife Watcher

- Stay at least 100 yards (91 m) away from bears and at least 25 yards (23 m) away from all other animals.
- Never stop in the middle of the road; use the pullouts. Be safe and legal.
- Turn off the car engine.
- · Always talk quietly.
- To find out what people are watching, get out of your car, approach them, and speak quietly. Never call or shout from your car.



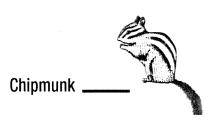
Mammals







Marmot ____



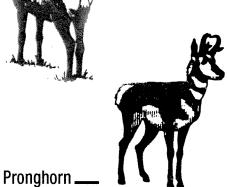


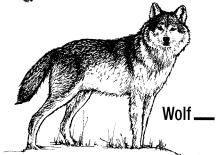


Mule Deer ____





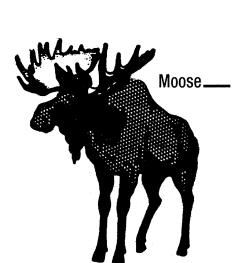












What Other Wildlife Have You Seen?

