

# Metroparks Habitat Board Game

Explore three common Northwest Ohio habitats (Prairie, Forest and Floodplain). Use the Metroparks mascot game pieces or small trinkets as a game piece. Use a coin to move along the board (heads move ahead 2 spaces, tails move ahead 1 space).

**START**

**FLOODPLAIN**

Spot an iridescent insect near the water. It's an Ebony jewelwing damselfly. Good spot **move ahead 1 space.**

Your shoe comes untied. Stop to tie it and **miss a turn.**

See tracks with five fingers along the river in the mud. You've spotted Raccoon footprints! Raccoons like to eat both fish and frogs. **Move ahead 2 spaces.**

Spot an Ohio buckeye along the floodplain trail and count its 5 leaflets. **Take an extra turn.**

**FOREST**

Pass a majestic tree with horizontal branching and light grey bark. It's a White oak. **Move ahead 2 spaces**

Find Mayapple plants. Did you know Eastern box turtles help with the seed dispersal of these plants? **Move ahead 1 space.**

Spot an Eastern fox squirrel on a tree branch. Did you know They live in large leafy nests called druries? **Move ahead 3 spaces.**

You forgot water for your hike. It's important to stay hydrated all day long. **Move back 2 spaces.**

**PRAIRIE**

Gobble, Gobble. Tall grasses left over from fall wave in the wind. You've found Big bluestem, sometimes called Turkey Foot. In late summer, the three branched seed head resembles a turkey's foot. **Move Ahead 3 spaces.**

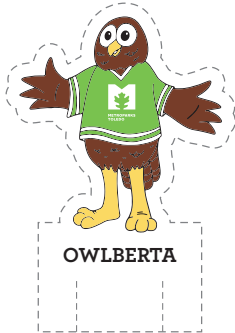
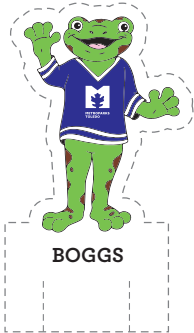
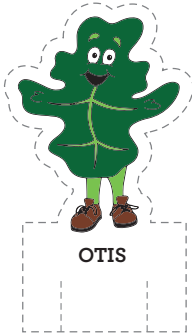
A Swallowtail Butterfly flutters past your eyes and lands on a Butterflyweed plant. **Move ahead 2 spaces.**

You forgot sun protection for your day in the park. **Move back 3 spaces.**

Spot a flash of bright yellow in the grasses. Use your binoculars to focus in on an American goldfinch. **Move ahead 1 space.**

**FINISH**

# Game Pieces



OTIS STAND

BOGGS STAND

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