

Week 8 Virtual Camp Sampler

(Ages 5-7)

MONDAY

Virtual Escape Room, Terrific Turtles: Reptiles have long fascinated people. Historically 22 species of reptiles have been recorded in the Oak Openings Region although 4 of these species have not been recorded in recent history and may be extirpated. Check out our newest escape room on Turtles:

<https://platform.breakoutedu.com/game/play/turtles-618623-601FSAATTB>

TUESDAY

Surviving the Oak Savanna: Plants living in Oak savannas in Northwest Ohio have had to adapt to harsh weather conditions. One of these adaptations is a long root system which helps during the summertime when it rains less and the water table lowers. Cut pieces of yarn or string and compare the root length of some of these plants that call the Oak savanna home.



Wild Lupine
30 inches



Rattlesnake Master
60 inches



Big Bluestem
45 inches



Indian Grass
60 inches



Prairie Dock
90 inches

WEDNESDAY

Box Turtles! The Eastern box turtle is Ohio's most terrestrial turtle. Aside from the loss of habitat, a significant threat to Ohio's box turtles is the danger they face when crossing the road. Check out the video below to learn more about Lefty the box turtle who makes its home at Nature's Nursery.

<https://youtu.be/sLwVjcoOu4I>

THURSDAY

Nature Journal: The Spotted Turtle is a more unusual turtle that makes its home in the Oak Openings Region. Some of the physical traits of the turtle include a hard shell, webbed feet, small size, dark coloration, small spots, four legs and claws. Record in your nature journal or in the space below why these traits may be useful for the turtle.



FRIDAY

Paper Plate Snake Craft:

Materials: 2 paper plates, 1 container of green paint, 1 rectangle piece of bubble wrap, glue, scissors, 2 googly eyes, 1 2ft. piece of thread, 1 1-2in., piece of red construction paper (this will be the snake's tongue).

- Paint the plate: Take the rectangular piece of bubble wrap and wrap it around a pencil or your hand. You might need a glue dot or tape to secure it in place. Dip the bubble wrap into the paint on the paper plate palette. Spread the paint around on the piece of bubble wrap. Next stamp your bubble wrap on the back or front of the plate evenly coating the entire plate surface in dots. These are your snake's scales! Set aside to let dry for a couple of hours.
- Cut the plate into a spiral: After the paint has dried completely, take your scissors and cut your painted plate into a spiral. You might need a parent's help! Leave a rounded "head" at the end of the spiral. Now you have created your snake's body!
- Glue eyes onto the snake's head: Next, use glue to stick the eyes on your snake's head. Yay! Your snake can see!
- Make and attach the snake tongue: Now, take your scissors and cut a triangle out of one end of your red, rectangular piece of construction paper. Put a dot of glue on the other end of the "tongue" and stick it to the back of the snake's head.
- Make your snake move: Last, take the 2ft long piece of thread, and tie to the top of your snake's head. Now, your snake is alive! Have fun with your new pet snake!

