

Scavenger Hunt

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Hall of Geology and Paleontology – First Floor

Meteorites & Earliest Life

Find a meteorite. Where did it land on Earth? _____

Cretaceous

Find the fossil skeleton of a large, aquatic reptile. What is its name? _____

Find a dinosaur with horns or bumps on its skull _____

Find the dinosaur touch fossil. Which bone is it? _____

Tertiary

Find a fossil that reminds you of an animal or plant still living today _____

Ice Age

Find an extinct feline (cat) and canine (dog). *Hint: they're located next to each other*

- Feline _____
- Canine _____

Paleo Lab

What do paleontologists study? _____

Great Hall – Second Floor

Gems and Minerals

Find three types of native elements _____

Find a cut and polished gemstone. What is it called? _____

Other Displays

Find the largest flying creature ever discovered. *Hint: look up!*

Find which arthropod you think is most interesting in the Texas Critters case _____

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Hall of Texas Wildlife – Third Floor

Natural Regions of Texas

Find an animal that lives in the Edwards Plateau and Llano Uplift region (where Austin is!) _____

Find an endangered species. *Hint: look on the name labels*

Find the natural region of Texas where the last wild American Bison lived

Fishes of Texas

Find a fish with no eyes. *Hint: look in the Central Texas case*

Reptile Row

Find a reptile that warns other animals that it is venomous with a rattling noise _____

Find a reptile with bright colors _____

Night Shift

Find a marsupial that carries its young in its pouch _____

Birds

Find a bird that lives on the coast _____

Hall of Biodiversity – Fourth Floor

Jar and Skeleton Exhibit

Find the name of one of the preserved specimens that still has its skin intact _____

Find the name of one the specimens that is only a bone or skeleton _____

Life in a Cave

Find the photo of the troglobitic ground beetle. What is it eating?

Find two types of equipment biologists use when exploring caves

