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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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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 ________________________________________________________________________

Hall of Texas Wildlife – Third Floor

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 ________________________________________________________________________

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 ________________________________________________________________________

Hall of Biodiversity – Fourth Floor

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 ________________________________________________________________________

Night Shift

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