**7. Animal Classification** Find an animal with the characteristic listed in any of the dioramas.

An animal with feathers

A plant with three leaves

An animal with scales

An animal with fur

8. Find the board "Michigan and the Great Lakes" Circle which Lake you live closest to. Talk with your friends or group what the benefits are of the Great Lakes?



Check what you do and/or what you plan to do to keep our lakes clean!

- a. Pick up after your dogs and keep your cat indoors b. Don't litter!
- c. Take shorter showers
- d. Tell your friends and family about how important the Great Lakes and inland lakes are!



## Discovery Guide Exploring Michigan Grades K-2

## **Directions**

## Answer the guide as you travel through *Exploring Michigan*. This guide is meant to be read by an adult and completed by the child.

1. Find the "Jack Pine" diorama. Do you see the Kirtland Warbler's Nest? Draw on the tree where you see their nest.



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2. Locate the Eastern Massasauga rattlesnake. The Eastern Massasauga is the only venomous rattlesnake located in Michigan. Which environment is it located in? *Circle the correct answer.* 

Rivers Coastal Dunes Jack Pine

Oak Hickory Wetlands

Can you draw the Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake? How does the Eastern Massasauga warn other animals that it is around? Circle it in your drawing.

**4.** How do people affect the environment? Can you find human pollution in one of the dioramas? Circle which diorama you found it in. (Hint: they might be wrappers of some of your favorite snacks).

Rivers	Sand Dunes	Jack Pine
Oak Hickory	Wetlands	

Talk with your friends or group about why it's important that we don't litter.

**5.** Find the "Coastal Dunes" diorama. Look at the pictures below and find them in the diorama. Circle the living things and cross out the nonliving things.



**3.** Find the "Wetlands" diorama There are three different types of wetlands. Can you connect the pictures to the correct type of wetland?



6. Find the "Rivers" diorama. What are some of the animals/plants you see living together? Circle the animals and plants that you see in the ecosystem and cross out the ones that aren't part of it.

Squirrel	Skunk	Turtle
Bear	Poison Ivy	