

Yosemite Virtual Junior Ranger

Name:

Where do you live?

Complete these pages, then email pictures to yose_information@nps.gov with your mailing address to get your badge! Check out our schedule of Facebook Live events for virtual swear-in ceremonies.

It's okay to ask for help with any of these activities!



People have lived in Yosemite for thousands of years!

Visit go.nps.gov/yosetribes and go.nps.gov/yoseindians and explore the pages to learn more.

What first peoples call Yosemite home?

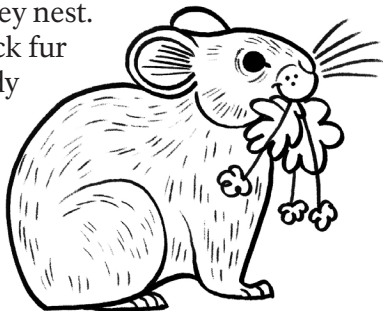
What people first lived on the land you call home?

Before we had grocery stores, the outside world was the supermarket! People traded resources they had for things they needed, such as acorns from Yosemite Valley for obsidian from Mono Lake. What in your home or region could you have traded?

Adaptations are things animals have or do that help them survive where they live, like having flippers to swim or working together to build a nest.

A **pika** is a rabbit-like animal that lives on the highest mountain peaks in Yosemite. It has adaptations to help it survive in this extreme environment. During the short summer season, pika collect grass and flowers to store for winter food in the rock piles where they nest.

They have thick fur and warm body temperatures to survive cold winters.



Draw an animal that lives near you, OR make one up with adaptations for the environment where you live:

What adaptations does your animal have?

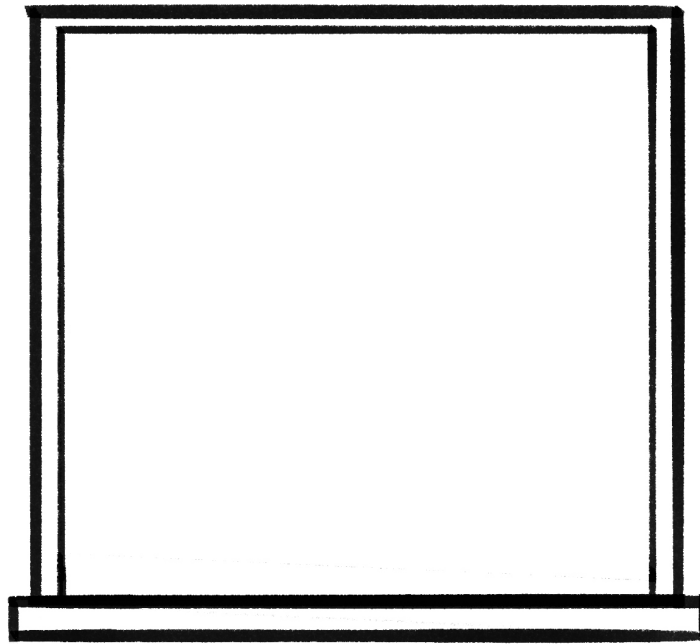
Could this animal live in Yosemite? Why or why not?

Sit near a window, and draw what you can see:

In your drawing,
what things are...
living:

non-living:

human-made:

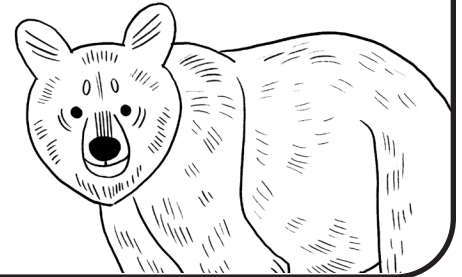


If you could add something
or take something away,
what would it be, and why?

Visit go.nps.gov/naturenotes and choose a Yosemite Nature Notes video to watch.

Which video did you watch?

What did you see in the video that is similar to the view outside your window? (Creative answers encouraged!)



Silly Fill-in-the-Blank: A Yosemite Adventure

Required for ages 7 and up only: Find a friend or family member and ask them for words that would fit in the blanks (use the descriptions under the blank spots). Then, read them the whole story!

I went on a hike in Yosemite today! I made sure to pack a map and an extra _____, put on my _____
article of clothing
 _____ screen, and started to _____ up a _____ hill. After _____ miles, I
noun verb adjective number
 heard a branch crack on the trail up ahead! I looked up, and saw a _____ straight
type of animal verb ending in -ing
 toward me! I slowly backed away and the _____ passed by. Whew! _____ hours
mood same type of animal large number
 later, I finally got to the _____ waterfall! I'm glad I remembered to bring
adjective
 plenty of _____ to drink. I leaned back against a _____
type of liquid adjective type of plant
 and pulled out my lunch of _____. We made it back to camp just before the
type of food
 _____ started to pour from the sky. What a great day in Yosemite!
plural noun

