



Croc and Gator could not be more different, but the one thing they have in common is the love of their swamp. And now they are old enough to train as junior Swamp Rangers! They can't wait to learn about all the swamp's plants and animals, and how to protect them. This great buddy series pairs two animals that kids LOVE. In their challenge to become junior Swamp Rangers, Croc and Gator will need to be courageous and brave little reptiles as they explore their swamp and prepare to protect everyone in their community.

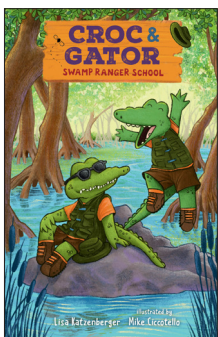
What's included in this kit:

- Friend Interview
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- Swamp Animal Search
- Outdoor Scavenger Hunt
- Plant Report



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Friend Interview

Pick a partner and interview each other to get to know each other better.



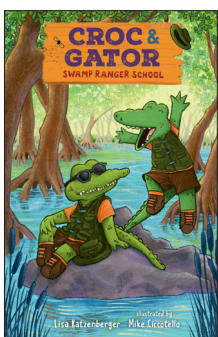
Name: _____

1. Where do you live?

2. What is your family like?

3. What is a special skill or trait you have?

4. Is there anything you're looking forward to?



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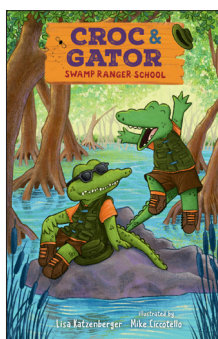
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Croc or Gator?

Croc and Gator are very different from each other, but over time both learn to communicate with, appreciate, and respect each other to become friends! Who are you more like—Croc or Gator?
In the space below, describe why you think you're more like Croc or Gator.



Name:



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School Rules

Help write rules for your school, class, or group. You can start with rules like Croc and Gator's Swamp Ranger School. With everyone's help, come up with more important rules that everyone agrees should be followed.



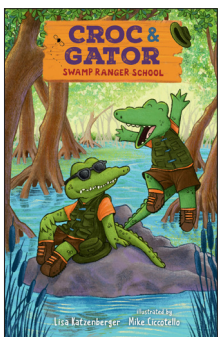
1. No littering

2. Prevent fires

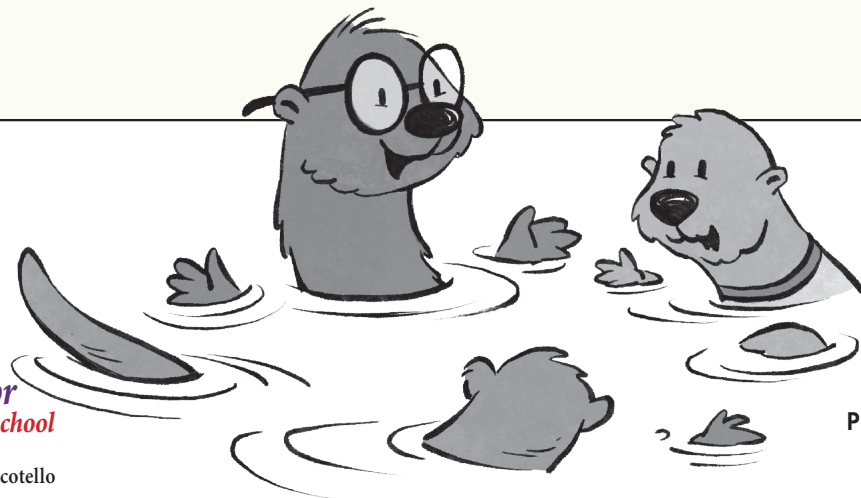
3. _____

4. _____

5. _____



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Swamp Animal Search

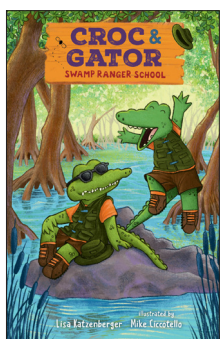
Help Croc and Gator solve the word search puzzle.



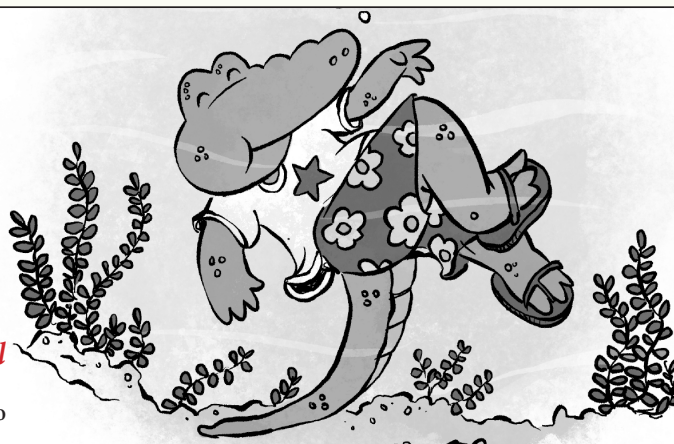
Word Bank:

Croc Egret Frog Otter
Gator Pig Opossum

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| B | S | M | W | V | T | M | I | V | T | U | T | B | L | W |
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Outdoor Scavenger Hunt

Head outside with a partner and see if you can find all these items! Either take a photo or draw a picture of each item as you find it.



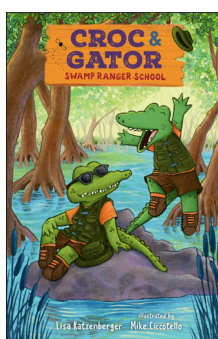
A green plant

A flower

An insect

An animal

Wild card - your favorite thing!



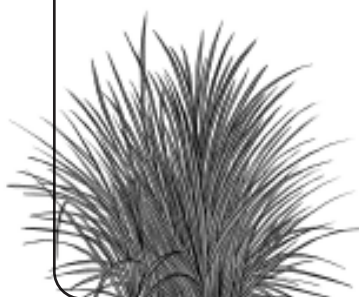
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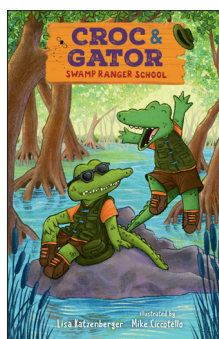
Plant Report

If you want to be a Swamp Ranger like Croc and Gator, draw your favorite plant in the box below. Then in the space provided, write down some facts about your favorite plant. Then share and discuss with a friend.



Plant Facts:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____



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