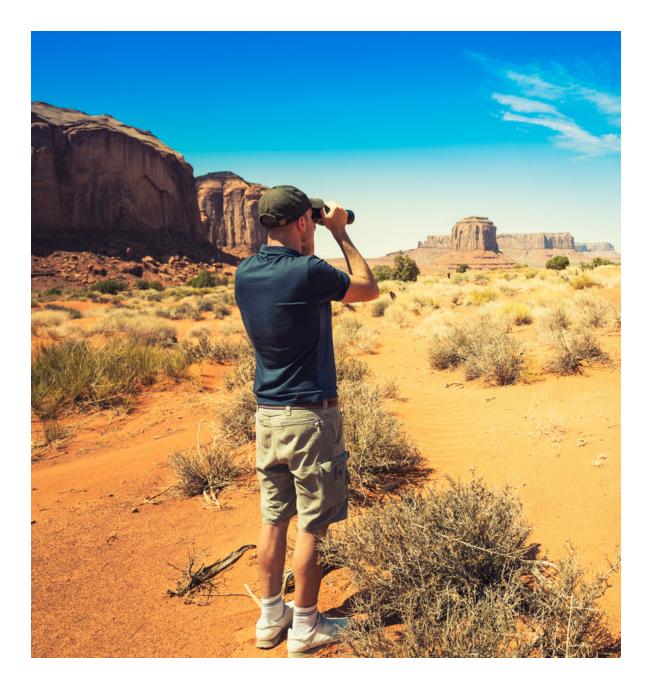
Shane the Park Ranger: Food and Shelter for Animals



Meet Shane!



Hi everyone! My name is Shane. I am a park ranger. A park ranger is someone who takes care of parks. I make sure that parks are safe and clean for animals, plants, and people. I use my binoculars so I can see all around the park!

Learning about Parks





Park rangers work at national parks. National parks are different from parks where kids play. National parks are very big. Many animals and plants live in national parks. People visit national parks to watch animals and hike in nature.

Why I Became a Park Ranger



When I was a kid, my class took a field trip to a park. I saw so many animals, like owls and lizards! I learned that park rangers make sure animals are safe, happy, and healthy in the park. I wanted to become a park ranger so I could help animals!

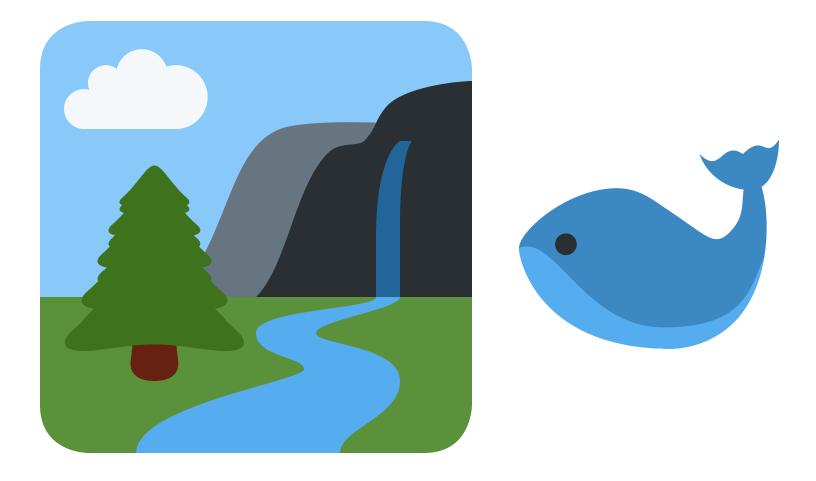
What I am Working On





Right now, I am a park ranger at Big Oak Tree Park. I am writing a list of the animals who live in the park. I want to make sure that every animal is safe and healthy. So far, I have seen raccoons, bears, and squirrels in the park.

What I am Working On



I started to think about what animals live in the park. I never see whales in the park. Why aren't there whales in a park? Share your ideas with the class!

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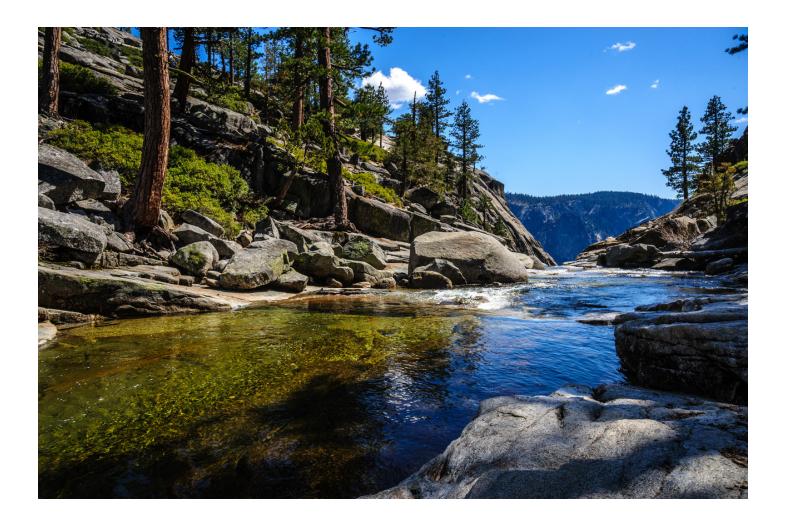
I remembered that animals live where they have food, water, and shelter. Whales have food, water, and shelter in the ocean! They eat fish for food. They drink ocean water. They sleep next to seaweed. Whales cannot live in the park because they don't have the food or shelter they need!

Your Turn!



Why do you think raccoons, deer, and squirrels live in the park? Share your ideas with your class!

Animals in Big Oak Tree Park





Raccoons, bears, and squirrels live in the park because they can find water, food, and shelter. They can drink water from the lake. They can eat leaves. They can sleep next to a tree. The park has everything these animals need to live!

Fun Fact!



Park rangers make rules that people have to follow when they visit a park. For example, you can't step on plants. You also can't feed the animals who live there. If you break the rules, you aren't allowed to go back to the park!