

# Kids' pages Investigations

Topic: *Endangered Species*



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**Instructions:** Read through the appropriate *Kids' Pages* edition and answer the questions below. Once all the questions have been completed, refer to the Answer Key to check your work.

## Multiple Choice (choose one):

- What does the term "threatened" mean with regard to a species?
  - In danger of extinct in all of its home range
  - Does not exist naturally in the wild
  - Population has not yet declined
  - Likely to become endangered in the near future
- What is the conservation status of the Florida panther, according to the Endangered Species Act?
  - Endangered
  - Species of Special Concern
  - Threatened
  - Near-Threatened
- Which bird is the only bird that lives exclusively in Florida?
  - Wood stork
  - Florida scrub jay
  - Roseate spoonbill
  - Bald eagle
- More than how many species have been recorded to take refuge in a gopher tortoise's burrow?
  - 350
  - 3,892
  - 10,000
  - 250
- What is the conservation status of the great hammerhead shark, according to the IUCN?
  - Endangered
  - Data Deficient
  - Critically Endangered
  - Vulnerable

## Fill in the Blank:

- The term "endangered" means a species is in danger of \_\_\_\_\_ throughout most or all of its home range.
- The International Union for the Conservation of Nature, or IUCN, created the \_\_\_\_\_ (two words) which is a comprehensive list of species evaluated for protection.
- Wood stork populations have suffered due to degradation, or destruction, of Florida's \_\_\_\_\_.
- Staghorn and Elkhorn were the first two \_\_\_\_\_ to be added to the Endangered Species List in 2006.

## Short Response:

- According to the Conservation Corner of *Kids' Pages*, bald eagle populations overcame the threat of extinction with the passing of laws such as the Bald and Golden Eagle Act, and the banning of the pesticide DDT. What is a population facing extinction that you would like to save and if you were able to pass a law to protect them, what would that law be named?