COLORING AND ACTIVITY BOOK

Explore, discover and enjoy your Regional Parks!

Ardenwood Historic Farm
Iron Horse Trail

Be a Good Park Neighbor
Here’s how to be courteous and safe when you visit a park...

**Stay on the trails:** “Bootlegging” or off-trail hiking will damage tender plants and cause erosion (the wearing away of the soil).

**Keep your dog under control:** Always keep your dog in sight and under voice control or on a leash.

**Right-of-way:** Stay to the right of the trail so you can be safely passed by other park users on your left. Bicyclists must yield to hikers and horseback riders. Hikers must yield to horseback riders.
Keep Alert!
Use your eyes and ears to discover park wildlife and to know where other park users are.

Pretend you are walking on the Iron Horse Trail in the picture above. Can you find these things in the landscape?
- A Skater
- A Sphinx Moth
- A Red-Tailed Hawk
- California Poppies
- Equestrians (Horseback Riders)
- An Egret
- A Squirrel
- What else do you see?
Nature Sleuth:
The animals living near this campsite have had some fun hiding this family’s camping equipment. **Can you find these items hidden in this picture?**

**Can you spot the 11 wild animal pranksters that are living in this park?**

Raccoon, California Newt, Gray Fox, Yellow Garden Spider, California Quail, Squirrel, Red-legged Frog, Cotton-tailed Rabbit, Great Horned Owl, Snail, and a Mouse.
I Spy...
Can you guess what a Clapper Rail is? Here’s a clue: A Clapper Rail can be found wading in San Francisco Bay marshes looking for clams, mussels and crabs to eat. Just like in this puzzle, they can be tricky to find because they are endangered (en-DAIN-gered), meaning there are not very many of them left in the wild.

Directions:
Find the Clapper Rail in the picture puzzle to the right by coloring in all the spaces that have the letters found in its name...

CLAPPER RAIL.
Hike Through Tilden Park!

How to Play:
1. Each player must find a small object to use as a place marker on the game page. Pebbles or dried leaves will work but return all found objects back to nature!
2. Use a die, six pennies or six additional flat found objects. Players take turns dropping the objects to see how many spaces to move. If you use pennies or found objects, count only the heads or the top of the objects.
3. A player who lands on a PARK FUN! or UH-OH! space has to follow the directions on that space.
4. The first player to hike to the Little Train wins the game.
PARK FUN!
Go swimming in Lake Anza!
(Pretend to jump in and swim around.)

UH-OH!
Smell the flowers in the Botanic Garden.
(Pretend to be a tiny seed and grow into a big tree!)

PARK FUN!
Your tummy tells you it is time for a picnic!
(Pretend to cook a hot dog over a campfire and eat it!)

UH-OH!
You are getting tired, but don’t take a shortcut! Always stay on the trails.
(Go back one space to rest.)

UH-OH!
Don’t abandon your pets or any animals in the park! Take them to an animal shelter where they will be cared for.
(Go back five spaces.)

UH-OH!
You lost your golf ball on the Tilden Golf Course.
(Go back three spaces to find it.)

UH-OH!
Don’t abandon your pets or any animals in the park! Take them to an animal shelter where they will be cared for.

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Play it Safe at the Lake!
Lifeguards watch what is going on around them to make sure everyone is having a safe time playing in the water. Scan the lake with this Temescal Lifeguard and look for the people that are, and are not, following these...

**Water Safety Tips:**

1. Don’t go in water beyond your swimming abilities. Do you see someone who went in the water too far for their swimming ability? Who is having fun but not going too far into the water?

2. Parents need to watch their kids at all times. Do you see kids being watched by their parents? Do you see someone that is not being watched carefully by their parents?
Lake Chabot

I Spy Boating Safety
When taking a boat out on a lake in the Regional Parks, everyone must wear a life jacket and the boat must not be overloaded. Can you spy:

1. How many people are properly wearing a life jacket? _________
2. How many boats are not overloaded? _________

Answers:
1. Four  2. Two

The ABC’s of Sun Safety:
Away – Stay out of the sun in the middle of the day.
Block – Use a sunblock that is SPF 15 or higher.
Cover Up – Wear a hat, sunglasses and a T-shirt.
The Amazing Black Diamond Coal and Sand Mines

Coal was mined from hundreds of miles of underground tunnels from 1850s to about 1900 and sand from 1920s to 1940s. Boys as young as eight years old worked along with the men digging for coal! Brynn the miner must enter the mine to go to work. Help him find his way to the end of the tunnel without getting lost.
Dig or Blast Your Way Through This Word Find
Here are words that have to do with excavating the sand and coal that came from the Black Diamond Mines. Look for each one in the word find above. The words go across, down or diagonally left to right.

ADIT: a horizontal entrance into a mine.
AX: a wood-working tool used to shape and install timbers that support the mine’s roof.
BLACK POWDER: an explosive used to loosen coal from the rock.
BLACK DIAMOND MINES
COAL: a combustible substance made of partially decomposed vegetable matter.
DYNAMITE: an explosive used in sand mining.
FUSE: a cord that ignites dynamite.
GLASS: the product made from mined sand.
KNOBBER: a boy apprentice who helped adult miners.
MINER: a person who digs for valuable materials.
MINERS CAP: a cloth cap worn by coal miners that had brackets on the front to hold an oil lamp.
ORE CAR: a cart that hauls sand or coal.
OIL LAMP: a lamp that burns oil to produce light.
PICK: a heavy wooden-handled iron or steel tool.
RAILS: bars of steel used as a track for the ore car’s wheels.
SAND: a loose granular material used to make glass, mortar, abrasives, and foundry molds.
SHAFT: a vertical tunnel.
SILICA: a crystalline substance found in sand.
STOPE: a large subterranean (underground) room where the sand was mined.
TIE: the wooden support to which rails are fastened, keeping them in line for ore cars.
TRACKS: the rails & ties used by the ore cars.
TUNNEL: a long, narrow, underground passage used for mine access and ventilation.
Garin Regional Park

Garin was a farm before it became a Regional Park. Guess what type of crop was grown and harvested here. (Hint: You can find the answer in this picture.)
Dot-to-Dot

Guess what type of farm equipment you will find before you complete this dot-to-dot puzzle. Then connect the dots to find out if you guessed right!
Dear Parent;
The East Bay Regional Park District Coloring and Activity Book was created to entertain and educate your child while introducing them to the Regional Parks. We encourage you to discuss the various safety, cultural, and environmental topics with your child as you explore the parks with them through this book and by visiting the 73 different East Bay Regional Parks.
You can find educational programs and fun park activities for the family by visiting our website at ebparks.org or in our activity guide Regional In Nature.