



**Passports: Adventures in Learning
"All About Rattlesnakes" with Mr. B
Curriculum Guide grades 3-6**

Passport Summary:

Are rattlesnakes really dangerous to humans? What makes them different from other snakes? Where do rattlesnakes live? Why do they stick out their tongues? How do they see in the dark? If you would like to know the answers to these questions, and any other questions you may have about rattlesnakes, then this passport is for you! Join "Mr. B" (Public Educator at the Phoenix Zoo), as he takes you on an exciting journey to learn "All About Rattlesnakes"!

Activity #1

Paint or draw a picture of a rattlesnake. Draw arrows to the different body parts of the snake, along with a description of how each body part is used.

Activity #2

Draw a map of the United States. Show where at least four species of rattlesnakes live by color-shading each area and writing the species name inside each area.

Activity #3

Paint or draw three different rattlesnakes next to each other. Include their different colors and patterns.

Activity #4

Write a short story or poem about a day in the life of a rattlesnake.



Challenge Questions:

1. List some ways that rattlesnakes are different from other snakes.
2. Why do rattlesnakes rattle their tail?
3. How many species of rattlesnakes live in the U.S.?
4. What do rattlesnakes eat, and how do they capture their prey?
5. Why do rattlesnakes constantly stick out their tongues?
6. Why do rattlesnakes have forked tongues?

Recommended books for further study on rattlesnakes:

1. "Rattlesnake" by Manny Rubio
2. "Rattlesnakes" by J. Frank Dobie
3. "Buzzing Rattlesnakes" by Ruth Berman

Recommended websites for further study on rattlesnakes:

1. www.nationalgeographic.com
2. www.sandiegozoo.org
3. www.desertusa.com





