

Everglades Forever: Restoring America's Great Wetland

Name _____

Date _____

Directions: In the sentences below, choose the correct vocabulary word from the word bank.

Word Bank

conserving	restore	regulate	vegetation	endangered
responsibility	attracted	adapted	unique	guardians

1. The students in Ms. Stone's class knew that someday in the near future they would have the _____ for preserving the Everglades.
2. The differences in elevation causing the soil to be wetter or drier in certain areas helps create _____ habitats containing their own special set of plants and animals.
3. The next generation of younger people will become the _____ and protectors of the only Everglades in the world, helping it thrive forever.
4. Ranger Jim, an expert on the Everglades, explained that the students could help this unique area now by _____ water when brushing their teeth and washing their faces.
5. The students saw a flock of _____ wood storks flying overhead as well as a fish-eating hawk waiting in a tree for a flash of fish in the water.
6. Mangrove trees have specially _____ roots and leaves so they can live in salty, muddy water.
7. If people started conserving water responsibly, over the next thirty years conservationists could _____ a healthy balance for all of the living creatures.
8. The holes that the alligators created allow them to wait for a meal of the small animals that are _____ to the water-filled holes.
9. The floor of the Pinelands is covered with cabbage palms, mariberry bushes, blue porter flowers, and other kinds of _____.
10. Larger waterbirds called Anhingas like to sun their wings to _____ their body temperature by soaking up the sun's energy.