

611 Explore the Outdoors

Interview Questions

Use two or three of these or similar standard questions as *part* of the interview judging process.

1. What are two major functions of wetlands?
Answers may vary. Examples include: filter pollutants from water, help prevent erosion, provide homes for animals, and prevent flooding. (page 34)
2. What are some characteristics of animals that live in or near the water?
Answers include: thick, waterproof fur, birds with long legs, paws or feet with webbing to help animals swim. (page 32)
3. Why is it important to be prepared before going on a hike? What are some things you might bring?
Answers may vary. Should be along the lines of "it helps you stay safe, know what to look for, etc." Items they might mention bringing should be from the list in Activity 1. (page 9)
4. Do you remember the names of the three poisonous snakes you may find in Ohio?
Timber rattlesnake, massasauga rattlesnake, and copperhead. (page 15)
5. What were the two main types of trees you encountered? What is the difference between them?
Coniferous and deciduous. Coniferous trees keep their leaves year round, and deciduous trees shed them every fall. (page 17)
6. Name some characteristics you could use to identify wildflowers.
The characteristics mentioned in the book were color, flower cluster, flower petal number, flower symmetry, and bloom month. (page 22)
7. Describe poison ivy.
Three points, three leaves. Grows on a vine, has bright red leaves and white berries in autumn. (page 18)
8. What part of Ohio wasn't covered by glaciers?
Southeastern Ohio was never covered by glaciers. (page 42)
9. Where did the water in the Great Lakes come from?
The Great Lakes are made up of water from melted glaciers. (page 42)

