

GRADES 4-8 ACTIVITY

RUSSIA'S GRIZZLY COAST SCAVENGER HUNT



MINNESOTA ZOO

Student Name: _____

Directions: As you explore Russia's Grizzly Coast, look for the answer to these questions.

1. Geographically, what is similar about Minnesota and the Russian Far East?

45° North latitude or 45th parallel

2. What is the claim-to-fame for the brown bears of Kamchatka Peninsula?

They are the largest in the world.

3. True or False: Brown bears hibernate in the winter. Explain your answer.

False. They go into an inactive state but can easily be awakened.

4. Sea otters have 10,000 100,000 1,000,000 hairs per square inch—circle the right answer.

1,000,000

5. How did the Amur leopard get its name?

They live along the Amur River in Asia.

6. Name two adaptations that the Amur leopards have for survival in cold, snowy climates.

Longer legs, longer hair, large deep padded paws

7. Which gender of the wild boar has the tusks? Name one way that they use them.

Both male and female. Used for defense, digging, or possibly killing prey.

8. Out of the wild boar's senses, which one is the poorest?

Eyesight

9. Classify each animal as a consumer: herbivore, carnivore, omnivore

Brown bear Omnivore

Amur leopard Carnivore

Wild boar Omnivore

Sea otter Carnivore

10. Compare the sizes of these Russian animals with similar animals found at the Minnesota Zoo—circle the larger of the two.

brown bear vs black bear

Wild boar vs Visayan warty pig

Amur leopard vs lynx

sea otter vs small clawed otter