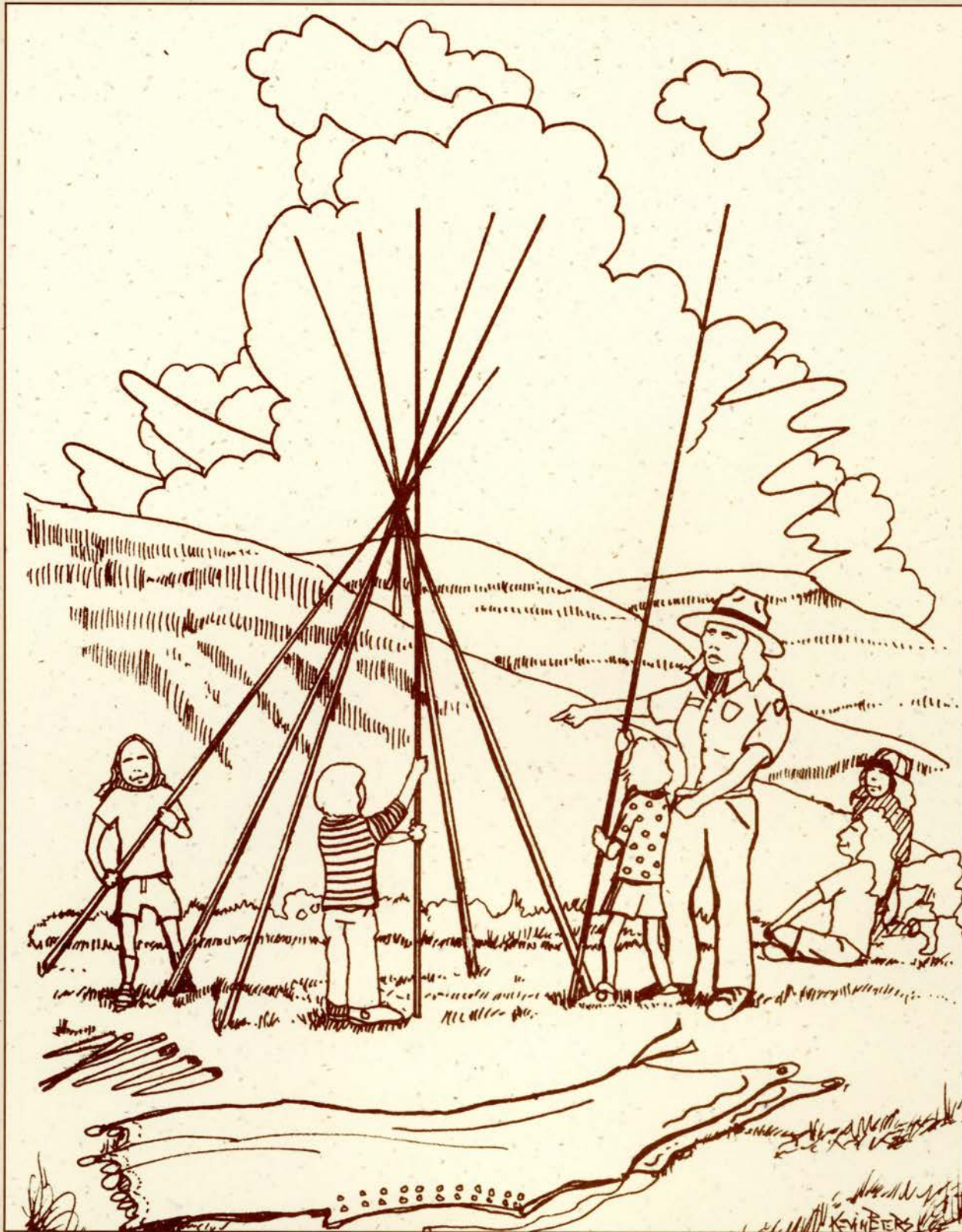




Nez Perce National Historical Park Junior Ranger Program



This Junior Ranger Program
Belongs To _____

Welcome to the Nez Perce National Historical Park Junior Ranger program.

This park is about the Nez Perce people and their culture—not just one event in their history or one time frame, but their past, present, and future as a people. The Nez Perce have lived in this area for a very long time, and continue to hunt and dig roots in the mountains, fish and live by the rivers, go shopping, to school, work, or the movies. Their lives are like yours in many ways, but in many ways they are different.

Here at the Spalding Site Visitor Center you'll have a chance as a Junior Ranger to get to know more about the Nez Perce people by learning about some of their traditional clothing, bags, tools, horse regalia, foods, and history.

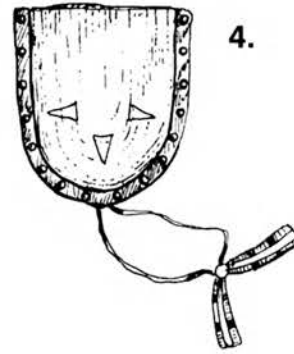
You can be a Junior Ranger too! **Here's what you have to do.** Complete the activity sheets in the folder and bring them to the Visitor Center desk to receive your Junior Ranger patch.



Activity Location:
Exhibit room & Lobby



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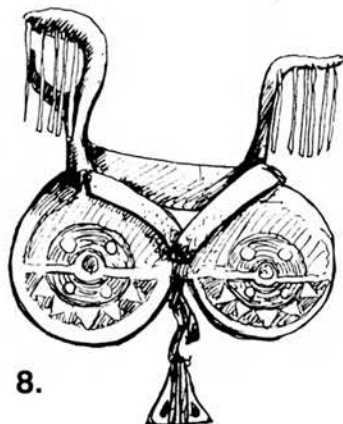
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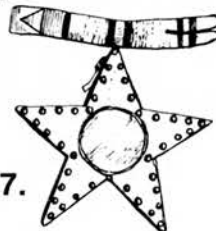
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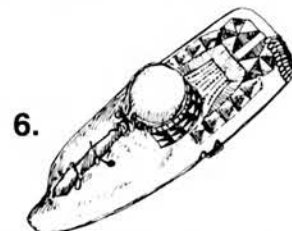
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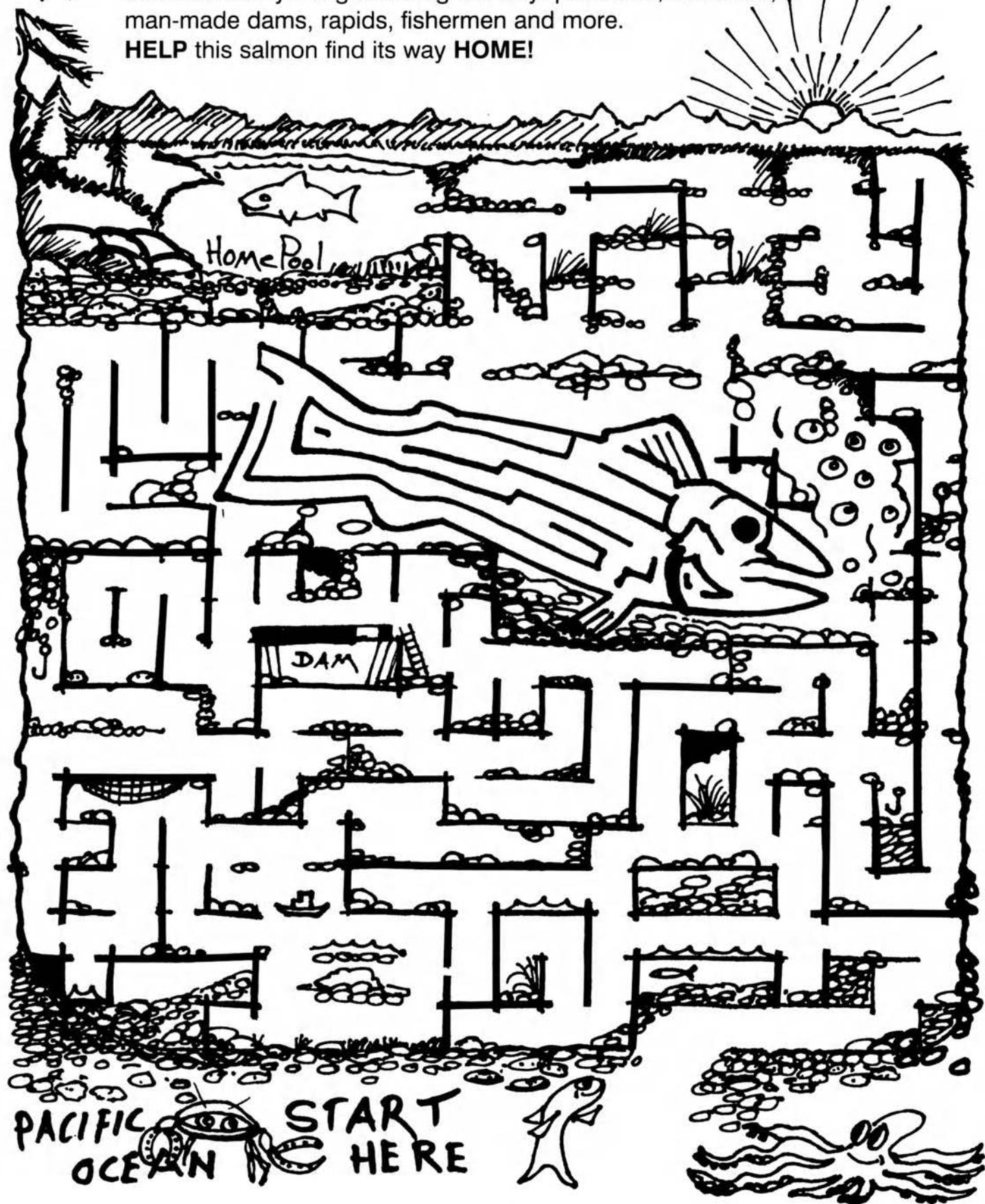
Draw a picture of yourself in the box above. Now find these objects in the exhibit room and draw a line from you to each one. Put a ****star**** by your favorite.



Help The Salmon Return Home

As salmon make the trip from the ocean back up the rivers to lay their eggs, there are many dangers along the way: predators, waterfalls, man-made dams, rapids, fishermen and more.

HELP this salmon find its way **HOME**!





Activity Location:
throughout
"Spalding Site"

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Take/draw a picture of the Agency Cabin.	What is the name of the river that runs by the park?	Color one of the sheets on Nez Perce homes.	Look at the photos in the auditorium room.	When was Nez Perce NHP established?
Watch the movie at the visitor center.	(In picnic area) Find the Spalding Homesite.	Find a beaded item in the exhibit room.	Ask an employee about their job.	Go window shopping at Watson's Store.
Find your birth month on the Nez Perce calendar.	Do something at the "Please Touch" table.	Junior FREE SQUARE Ranger	Find the Nez Perce toys in the exhibit room.	Take a walk through the picnic area.
Sign in as a Junior Ranger in the guest book.	Ask for a map of the "Spalding Site."	Attend a ranger program.	Read an exhibit in the picnic area.	How many different kinds of trees can you count?
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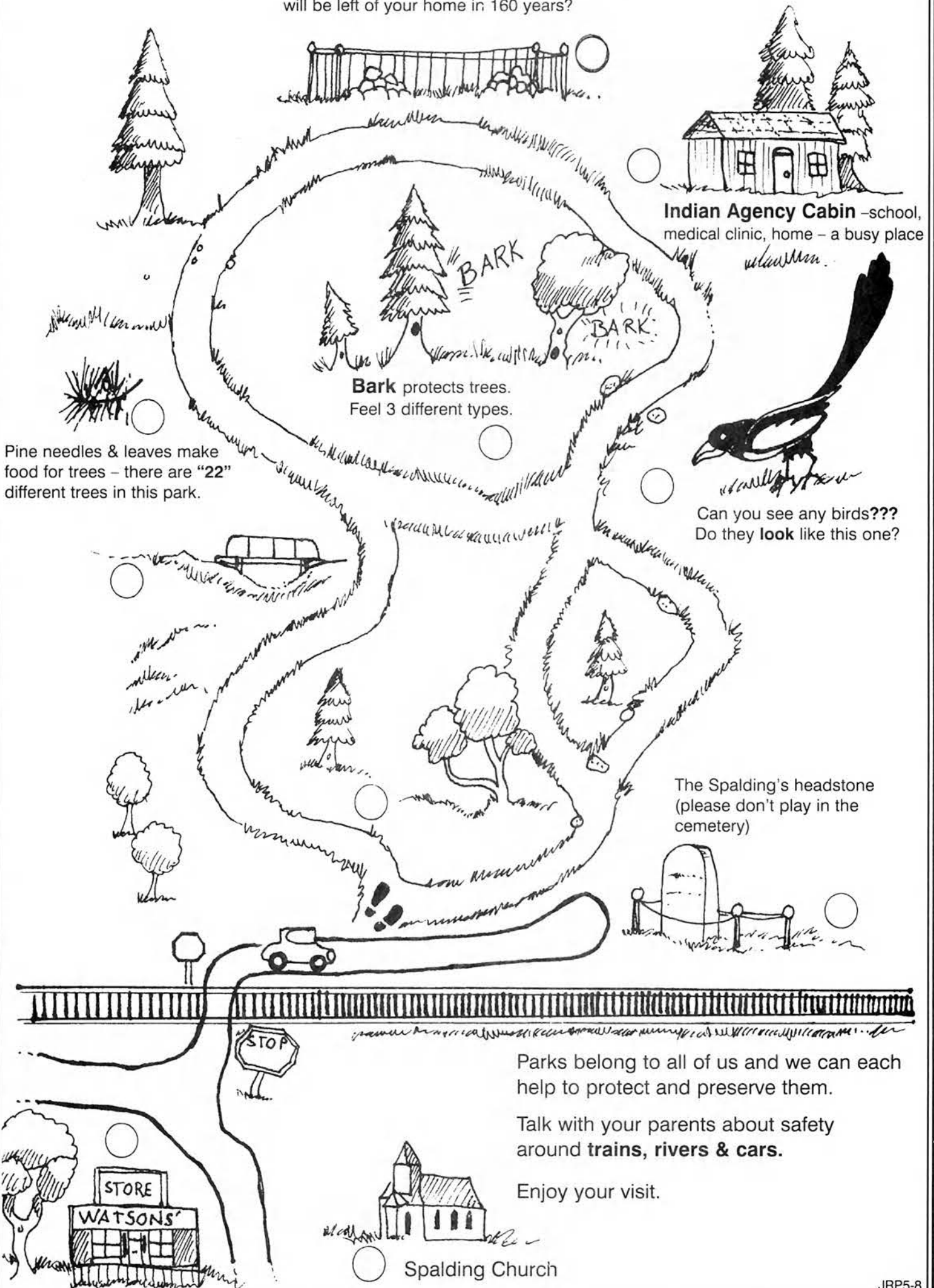


Junior Ranger – Walk In The Park

Activity Location:
Spalding Picnic Area

You are one of many, many people that have traveled through this area. Some stayed here and made this area home—Nez Perce, Christian missionaries, those that worked for the Indian Agency, farmers and others. Enjoy your walk and think about all those who lived and worked in what is now a picnic area. Check off at least **6** of the circles (more if you'd like) to complete this activity.

Spalding Homesite - what do you think will be left of your home in 160 years?



Parks belong to all of us and we can each help to protect and preserve them.

Talk with your parents about safety around **trains, rivers & cars.**

Enjoy your visit.



Calendar String: Do You Remember When?

Activity Location: Exhibit Room,
Women's Case

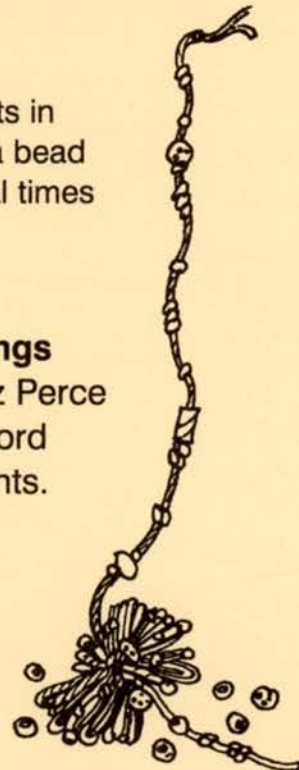
Through time people have found different ways to remember special events in their lives. String made from the inner bark of a bush was used. Knots or a bead were added for each remembrance. What do you use to remember special times or events? What will help you remember your visit to this park?

Some things I do to remember special times:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Some people kept track of events by telling stories, creating pictures or symbols on rock wall, or by drawing and painting pictures.

Calendar strings
were used by Nez Perce
women to record
important events.



Write about or draw a picture of two of your favorite things at Nez Perce National Historical Park.



Water, Water Everywhere

But Where Are All The Salmon?

Activity Location: fish exhibit in the lobby

"Coyote Liberates the Salmon"

"Now at Celilo there dwelt the five swallow sisters...they had built a dam across the river and did not permit anyone to even pass by...the salmon could not get over the dam to go up the river to spawn...Now coyote understood that the salmon must get up into Koos Koos Ki to raise the little salmon and provide food for the generations to come...Coyote knew the swallow sisters guarded the dam and they would kill anyone who attempted to tear it down...He deceived them by turning himself into a baby...The sisters took in and cared for the "poor little baby," but one day while they were busy, the baby turned back into OLD MAN COYOTE and destroyed the dam...the dam was never rebuilt and the five sisters moved away."

This is the traditional Nez Perce explanation for how the salmon came to be in the rivers in their homeland. But there are new dams on the rivers now and other threats to the salmon. Today their numbers have decreased to a very low point.

Think about the last time you went fishing at your favorite spot...Did any of your equipment look like the items on the wall? How big was the biggest fish you caught?

List three things Nez Perce fishermen used.
(Hint: look on the wall.)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

List three things you use when you go fishing.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

???? CIRCLE three items listed above you think would be easiest to use????

How heavy was the biggest fish you ever caught?

!!! Did you know that the chinook or king salmon can get up to 4 ft. long and weigh 50 or 60 pounds!!!!



Outdoor Scavenger Hunt



There are many **signs** with stories on them in the Spalding Site. Find and read the **signs** and you'll discover the answers to the questions.

Activity Location: throughout park

"Watson's Store"

For the local Nez Perce community Watson's Store also served as _____, _____, and _____.

"Agencies Residence"

Why did many Nez Perce reject the so-called "Steal Treaty?" _____

"Coming of the Railroad"

In 1889 how long did it take to get to Grangeville, Idaho on the train? _____
Today that same trip takes about 1 hour by car.

Give 2 examples of how you think the Nez Perce traveled before the train.

_____ & _____

"Place of the Butterflies"

According to Many Wounds, how did Lapwai Creek get its name? _____

"Mission Gristmill"

Name 2 traditional Nez Perce foods pounded by hand into meal. _____ & _____

"Clearwater River"

The Clearwater River drains out of what mountains? _____

What did the Nez Perce call this river? _____

"Indian Agency Cabin"

Read the quote by Vincent Coyer. What do you think he meant when he said, "...the good being accomplished for the Indian is very limited." _____

The treaty provided medical care for the Indians. List 2 ways the Nez Perce traditionally took care of medical needs. _____ & _____



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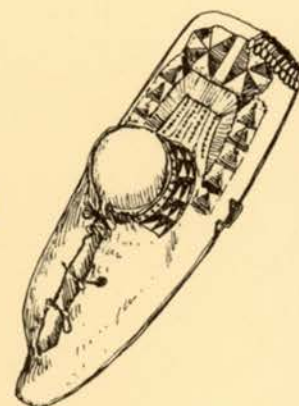
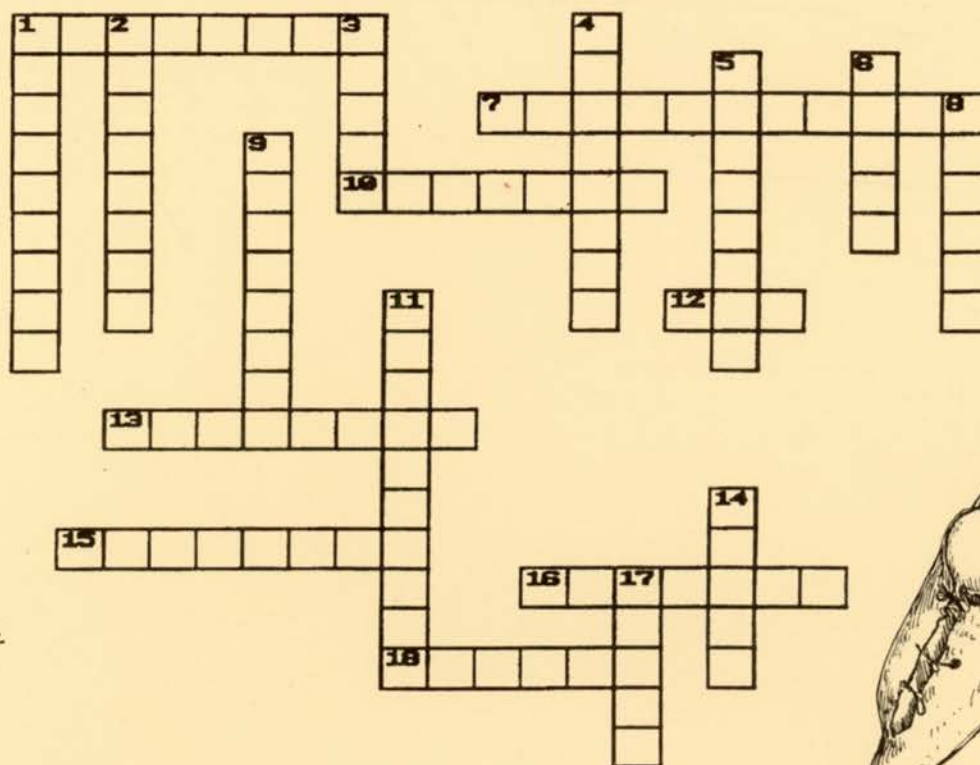
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Puzzle Your Way Through

Activity Location: throughout park



Across:

1. Men's outer coverings for legs
7. Baby carrier
10. Cleaned, dried animal skin
12. Tool for hunting & defense
13. Used to make Nez Perce bags
15. French for "Pierced Nose"
16. Food gathering activity on rivers
18. Lives in rivers & ocean, important food

Learn more about Nez Perce culture by finishing the puzzle.

Down:

1. Traditional winter home
2. Large tool used to catch fish
3. Throwing tool for hunting or defense
4. First Presbyterian missionary
5. "The People"
6. Important plant food
8. Tool to scoop fish from water
9. Softened animal skin used for clothing
11. Colorful, used to decorate, made in Europe
14. A tool to make holes
17. Animal part used for thread

Leggings	cradleboard
rawhide	salmon
bow	cornhusk
NezPerce	fishing
longhouse	gaffhook
spear	Spalding
NeMeePoo	camas
dipnet	buckskin
glassbeads	drill
sinew	

Answers to crossword puzzle: ACROSS: 1. leggings; 7. cradleboard; 10. rawhide; 12. bow; 13. cornhusk; 15. Nez Perce; 16. fishing; 18. salmon. DOWN: 1. longhouse; 2. gaffhook; 3. spear; 4. Spalding; 5. NeMeePoo; 6. camas; 8. dipnet; 9. buckskin; 11. glassbeads; 14. drill; 17. sinew.



What is a Park Ranger?

Park rangers at Nez Perce National Historical Park wear many different hats. They do things such as:

- give programs and lead walks
- answer questions and help visitors
- study Nez Perce culture and help visitors understand it
- protect and preserve the park and its resources



What is a Junior Ranger?

Junior Rangers are important people because they help park rangers protect the cultural and natural resources of the Nez Perce people. Junior rangers also develop an understanding and appreciation for National Parks.

Nez Perce National Historical Park

is located in 4 different states. Find those states on the map.

What state do you live in?

Find it on the map and write in the name.

How many different words can you make from the name of this park?
(list, ark, etc.) Use the back of an activity sheet to write your words.



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