

## Invasive Species Wanted Poster

1. Search for an Invasive Species in the United States. You can use this website to identify a microbe, animal, aquatic species, or plant.

<http://www.invasivespeciesinfo.gov/index.shtml>

2. Find the following facts to make your “ 8 1/2 x 11” poster. You must include:

**Name/Also Known As** (latin name/common name/ criminal name)

**Picture** - a drawing or photograph

**Identifying Characteristics** – key features to look for when identifying the criminal. Explain what the plant/animal/microbe looks like. Any marks that stand out? Include the size, breeding patterns; size of reproductive litter, how many times the animal/plant breeds a year.

**Crimes Committed** – by your species (crimes must be specific to your species and not general to all invasive species). Explain what your organism has done to the local habitat it has been introduced to. Include predator/prey relationships with local species. Include affect on business and human interaction.

**Last Seen** – where did the species originally come from? Include a map. What is a possible way your plant/animal could have gotten to this new habitat?

**Suspected Hideouts** – include a map of the U.S. with its current distribution shaded; description of preferred habitat.

**Reward** – How is it being controlled? What is being done to stop the spread of this species?

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## Endangered Species Project

The objective of this assignment is for you to describe how the destruction of an endangered species impacts the environment.

You are to research your animal to answer the provided questions. You will then use your guided questions to compile the following:

- **Commercial** advocating the education and protection of your endangered species (3 to 8 mins long)
- **Public Service Announcement** advocating the education and protection of your endangered species. (3 to 8 mins long)
- **Movie** advocating the education and protection of your endangered species. (5 to 10 minutes long)
- **Poster** advocating the education and protection of your endangered species. (Size 11X17)

### Assignment:

Pretend you are an official at the Atlanta Zoo. You are to create one PSA from the options above that describes an animal from the endangered species list. Your goal is to inform the public about the importance of this animal to our environment. You also should explain why the destruction or extinction of this animal will hurt the environment in the long run. Your goal is to make the animal look as attractive and interesting as possible! Use interesting and unique facts. Remember you **want** people to save and protect this animal. These interesting facts must come from your research. You may **NOT** make information up.

\*\*\*BE CREATIVE IN THE DESIGN!\*\*\*

\*\*\*This assignment is due \_\_\_\_\_.