

Scavenger Hunt!



The Pittsburgh Botanic Garden is restoring land that was damaged in the past by coal mining. This land is now being transformed into one of the largest botanic gardens in the country.



1784 settler's cabin

1 point

The cabin was built by the first European settlers in the 1700s. They used the land for farming.

The Pittsburgh Botanic Garden is a unique place with a unique land use history.

The land was first used for farming by early settlers. It was then used for coal mining. It is now being transformed into a botanic garden. It will be one of the largest botanic gardens in the country when it is complete.

a wheel

2 points



Wheels from old mining equipment can be found around the garden.



a dragon!

1 point



The Pittsburgh Botanic Garden serves as a habitat for many species of birds and other animals.

This is due to the work done to restore the plant communities and water supply. In the past, the plants and water supply were damaged and polluted by the coal mining and did not provide a good habitat. After they were restored, the number of birds in the area increased.

birdhouse

2 points

Bees and butterflies are important pollinators. They help plants make seeds.



a pollinator

3 points



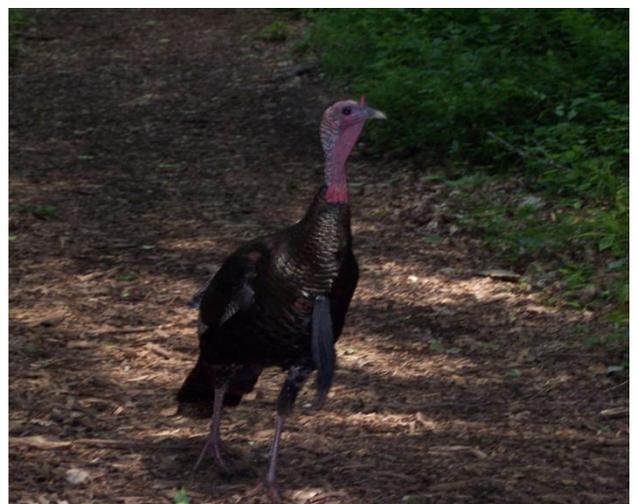
something pink

2 points



giant bird eggs

2 points



a wild turkey

3 points

The Lotus Pond was brought back to life.

The Lotus Pond was once full of acid mine drainage. This happens when acid forms in mines and flows into waterways. Plants and animals could not survive in this polluted water. A underground filter was built and was able to solve this problem. Now the pond is home to many plants and animals.

Lotus Pond

2 points



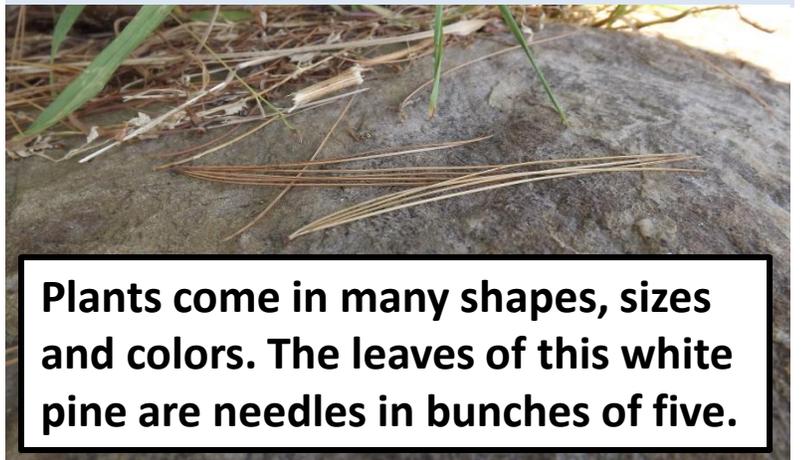
something purple

1 point



Pine needles

2 points



mining pipeline

2 points



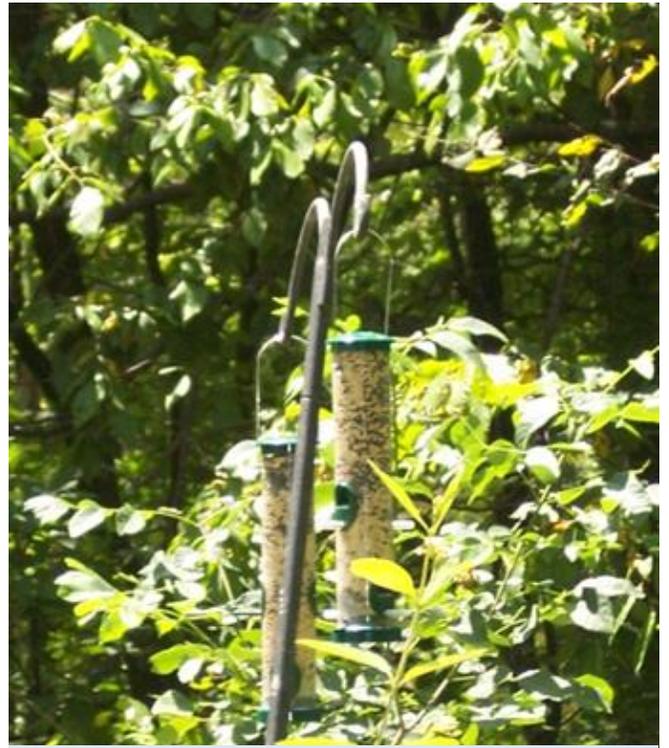
tree trunk table

2 points



The Storybook House

1 point



tadpoles

3 points



aquatic plants

2 points



tree with a face!

3 points



caterpillar

2 points



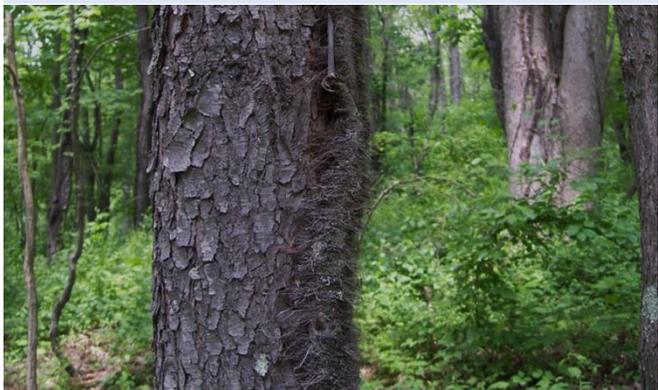


Highmark Gazebo 1 point

Pittsburgh coal seam 2 points



poison ivy vine 3 points



Known for the itchy rash it can cause, poison Ivy also provides food for animals, such as birds.



boulder 1 point



feather 3 points

Many animals live in the garden, but they can be hard to find. Animal tracks, such as this deer track, provide evidence of wildlife.



An animal track 3 points

Acorns

2 points



**Acorns are seeds of oak trees.
They are also an important food
source for many animals.**



Hermit hut

2 points

Toadstools

1 point



A plant sign

1 point

**There are many different plant signs in the
garden. How many can you find?**



**A Botanic Garden is a
museum for plants.**

Each plant is part of the
Pittsburgh Botanic Garden
collection. Botanic gardens
keep records of the plants
in their collection.

Your Score

