

What is a National Park? Worksheet



National parks have many meanings. We can group those meanings into a few types:

- Wildlife
- Plant life
- Human history (culture)
- Habitats
- Natural processes
- Recreation (having fun like hiking or camping)

National parks protect all of the things listed above. A single national park does not protect all of these things. But together, these are what national parks protect for us.

You are going to research a national park. Using the list above you will decide what that park protects. For each thing you choose from the list, give at least one example from the park. (For example, if you think the park protects wildlife, what animals are found there? If it protects human history, what stories does the park tell?)

Name of Park: _____

Possible meanings for park:
(Circle all that apply)

Specific example from park:

Wildlife

Plant Life

Human History & Culture

Habitats

Natural Processes

Recreation

Why is this place a national park? What makes this park special?
