

# Yale Peabody Museum 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Mystery Hunt

## Level: Moderate

### Space and Our Solar System

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ is the oldest known rock formed on Earth.
- 2) Glassy tektites are composed of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3) The Weston Meteorite specimen on display originally landed in \_\_\_\_\_.

### Hall of Minerals

- 4) According to the Geiger counter, which specimen is most radioactive? \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) Which type of Connecticut rock was used to build the base of the Statue of Liberty and New York's Grand Central Terminal? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6) The Connecticut Landscape Map describes East Rock and West Rock in New Haven as both being approximately \_\_\_\_\_ years old.
- 7) The Peabody Museum's specimen of turquoise was found in \_\_\_\_\_.

### David Friend Hall

- 8) The large amethyst specimen in David Friend Hall was found in which South American country?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 9) The fossilized palm frond and fish were alive about \_\_\_\_\_ years ago.

### North American Dioramas

- 10) The Kodiak bear's long claws are used for \_\_\_\_\_.
- 11) Like rattlesnakes, the water moccasin in the Tropical Savannah diorama is venomous and a member of the \_\_\_\_\_ family.
- 12) Fruits eaten by the Mexican fruit bats in the Amazon Rain Forest diorama include \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.
- 13) When standing upright, \_\_\_\_\_ can measure 9 feet tall.
- 14) Cowbirds eat \_\_\_\_\_ stirred up by bison as they graze in the short grass plains.
- 15) What kind of cactus is blooming in the Sonoran Desert? \_\_\_\_\_

## **Hall of Connecticut Birds**

- 16) Which is the largest species of wren in Connecticut? \_\_\_\_\_
- 17) The whip-poor-will, common nighthawk and chuck-will's-widow are well camouflaged because they all nest \_\_\_\_\_.
- 18) The tail of a fox sparrow is what color? \_\_\_\_\_
- 19) In which season would you expect to see a common merganser in Connecticut? \_\_\_\_\_
- 20) Which large ground dwelling bird common to Connecticut today is not in the Connecticut Bird Hall?  
\_\_\_\_\_

## **New England Dioramas**

- 21) What two species of squirrels can you see in the Forest Margin Diorama?  
\_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_
- 22) In which tree is the saw-whet owl hiding? \_\_\_\_\_
- 23) A leopard frog is an example of an amphibian that lives in the \_\_\_\_\_ habitat.
- 24) In the Coastal Region Diorama, both the osprey and the \_\_\_\_\_ have caught fish.

## **Connecticut Native Americans**

- 25) Grooved axes and fishing equipment are artifacts associated with Native American sites dating to the \_\_\_\_\_ periods in Connecticut.
- 26) The most diagnostic artifact from a Paleo-Indian site in Connecticut is a \_\_\_\_\_.

## **Daily Life in Ancient Egypt**

- 27) \_\_\_\_\_ is a re-creation of a typical Egyptian tomb of the Late Period.
- 28) Models of \_\_\_\_\_ were placed in tombs with the belief that they would transport the deceased to the netherworld.
- 29) What does the human headed "ba" bird on the Cartonnage Mummy Mask represent?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 30) Hathor was the Ancient Egyptian goddess of \_\_\_\_\_.

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### Answers

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1) Acasta gneiss               | 16) Carolina wren                   |
| 2) Melted Earth soil & rock    | 17) On the ground                   |
| 3) Trumbull, CT                | 18) Rusty reddish-brown             |
| 4) Phosphuranylite             | 19) Winter                          |
| 5) Stony Creek Granite         | 20) Wild turkey                     |
| 6) 200 million                 | 21) Red squirrel & gray squirrel    |
| 7) New Mexico                  | 22) Sugar maple                     |
| 8) Uruguay                     | 23) Cold bog                        |
| 9) 50 million                  | 24) Kingfisher                      |
| 10) Digging out roots & plants | 25) Early and Middle Archaic        |
| 11) Pit viper                  | 26) Fluted point                    |
| 12) Figs, mangoes and bananas  | 27) The Tomb of Vizier Nespakashuty |
| 13) Alaskan brown bears        | 28) Nile boats                      |
| 14) Insects                    | 29) The soul of the deceased        |
| 15) Hedgehog cactus            | 30) Love and music                  |