Super Stewards

Overview

The Arboretum is a really fun place for humans to visit. In this adventure, we’ll explore some of the signs of human presence in the park and discover how we can be a super park steward!

Gear

- Writing utensil
- Camera (optional)

Step 1

Let’s go explore Foster Island! What things do you see around the wetlands that were made or put there by humans? Try some of the hints below to get you started.

- This was built by humans to protect the grass and other plants from being stepped on: ________________

- This was built so that humans can get close to the water without danger of accidentally falling in: ________________
This is a place for humans to sit so that they don’t accidentally sit on a fragile plant: ______________

What other evidence can you find that humans have been to this park?

**Step 2**

Ready for a challenge? Spell out your name, then try to find something made or put in the park by humans that starts with each letter of your name. For example: SAM; S - Sidewalks, A - Automobiles, M - Maps

*Build on: The Arboretum features plant species from all over the world. How did they get here? In what ways have humans shaped the “natural” areas of the park?*

**Step 3**

Not all human presence is great for the park. What are some things you see around the park that might be hurting the plants or animals that live here?

*Build on: What actions can you take to help the park?*

**Step 4**

Stewards are people who take care of things. How can you be a good steward of this park? Come up with three things you can do to help take care of this space:

1. 
2. 
3. 

*Take it home: How do you help take care of your home?*