



Online Resources for Educators



Lesson Plans and Student Activities

Lessons plans, background information, student activities, videos and other resources are part of the teaching units produced by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR). Aquatics, birds, wild mammals, trees and biodiversity are among the topics currently available.



Publications

Activity books and worksheets are included in this trunk. You should not write on these original copies, but you are welcome to copy them for use with your students. IDNR publications may also be ordered or downloaded.



Podcasts & Videos

Podcasts produced by the IDNR Division of Education are available on the IDNR Web site and YouTube (search for IDNREducation). There are lesson demonstrations as well as general information podcasts. The lesson demonstrations can help you preview and set up an activity.



Species Search & Wild About! Pages

Search for information on different native plant and animal species in Illinois. Includes features and behaviors, range, taxonomy, and status of species.



Wild Illinois History

Explore fur trading of the past and present with this online game. Additional lessons about fur trapping are included.



Coyote Tracks

Explore coyote ecology and behavior with this visualization tool using real data from radio-collared coyotes in urban and rural areas of Illinois. Inquiries questions are included to help students start exploring.