Wildlife Olympics
Presented by Ponderosa State Park
Let the Games Begin!

Complete these events on the lawn or campsite.

1. The Ponderosa Pine trees that this Park is named for are over 300 years old.
   How old are you? ________ How old is the oldest person you know? ________

2. Black bears can be 5-6 feet tall standing on their hind legs and weigh between 125-425 pounds. They can lift the lids on the bear proof dumpsters if not closed and latched.
   How tall are you? _______ feet. How much do you weigh? _______ pounds. Can you open the lids on the bear proof dumpster? ________ Do you need help? ________ What can you do to keep the bears out of the dumpsters? ___________ and ___________ the lid.

3. Mule deer can run 45 mph. They can cover 50 yards in 2.3 seconds.
   I can run 50 yards in __________ seconds.

4. Red foxes can jump 6 feet high into the air and jump a distance of 12 feet wide in one leap.
   I can jump _______ feet high and I can jump _______ feet wide in one leap.

5. An owl has the ability to stare without blinking for hours.
   I can stare without blinking for ________ seconds.

6. A river otter can hold its breath under water for 8 minutes.
   I can hold my breath for _________ seconds.

7. Sandhill cranes are the tallest waterfowl in Ponderosa State Park. They have a wingspan of 6.5 feet and can stand almost 4 feet high.
   How big is your “wing span”? ________ feet. How tall are you? ________ feet.

8. Sandhill crane’s calls can be heard 2.5 miles away. How far away do you think you can be heard shouting? ________ feet. (Remember, Quiet Hours start at 10 pm and continue until 7 am, that means the neighboring campsites should not be able to hear you during Quiet Hours.)

9. Moose can swim 6 mph for 12 miles that is 2 hours without stopping.
   I can swim ________ seconds without stopping.
10. Columbia ground squirrels hibernate for about 8 months.

   How long have you slept at one time? ________________________________

11. Rainbow trout are indicators of water pollution because they can survive only in clean cold water.

   Would you rather swim in clean or dirty water? ______________________
   
   What can you and your family do to keep the water clean?
   __________________________________________________________________

12. An osprey can spot a fish hundreds of feet above the lake.

   Who is the best at spotting wildlife in your family? ____________________

13. A wolf can eat 20 pounds of meat at one time. That is like eating 80 quarter pound hamburgers.

   How many hamburgers do you eat at one time? __________

14. Steller’s jays have amazing memories. They can remember 2/3 of the hundreds of seeds they’ve cashed or hidden.

   These are the objects I remember, _____/15, that I put away for safe keeping.

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Thank you for Competing in the Wildlife Olympics!

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Red Fox