



Start of the game:

Center for Tourism and Promotion "The Land of the Bison", 1A Budy Leśne, 17-230 Białowieża.



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The animals would therefore have no home if it were not for the trees. Twenty-four species of them have been found here. The dominant trees are spruce (the tallest tree in the Forest, reaching the height of over 50 meters), pine, black alder, oak and silver birch.

Slightly less common are ash, small-leaved linden, maple, poplar and aspen.

The forest is also diverse kingdom of ... fungi. It is estimated that there are up to 3000 species of them here.

That's a lot of information, but surely you remember that:

Hoofed mammals that you will meet in the Forest are, among others, _____
The largest predators are _____
Some spruce trees are real giants that grow up to ___ meters.
How many species of fungi can be found in the Forest? _____

Let's leave the wolves, lynxes and spruces for a moment. Let's return to the main character of this educational trail. It's time to move ahead along the designated path!

TASK 6

On the information board you will meet along the way read carefully some facts about the life of a certain unusual bird and note down the information:

The eagle leaves the Forest at the end of September to fly to _____.
It returns from its long journey in _____.

There is one more eagle challenge ahead of you. Go ahead looking out for an arrow. Under it you will find a board that will help you deal with the questions. Note that only the arrow above the board will show you the correct place.

TASK 7

Read the information and try to answer the questions as fast as possible!
Answer the questions:

Is the lesser eagle:
1. the largest eagle of the genus true eagles?

- 2. the medium-sized eagle of the genus true eagles?
- 3. the smallest eagle of the genus true eagles?

The lesser eagle has a length of about:

- 1. 65 centimeters
- 2. 90 centimeters
- 3. 70 centimeters

How much does the eagle weigh?

- 1. 5 kg
- 2. 1,4 – 1,6 kg
- 3. 9 kg

Keep wandering along the educational trail until you meet 6 boards with further interesting information. Stand between them.

TASK 8

If you have solved all the tasks correctly, they will now form a whole. Collect the numbers hidden in some of the guessed passwords and learn your final task!

Climb to the top of the V _____
13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 _____ against the background of the Białowieża Forest.

Be sure to share it on social media tagging the Center for Tourism and Promotion „The Land of the Bison”.

This is the end of our hike, but we hope that this is not the end of your adventure in the Białowieża Forest.

Enjoy the trails, educational paths and other quests available in the area!

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WHAT DOES THE FOREST SING ABOUT?



The quest route is traversed on foot, by bike and by car.

What does the Forest sing about?

Dear Travelers!

Are you ready to set off on an expedition full of knowledge and adventure?

Which way will your path lead? This only the ancient trees know. Solve the tasks, keep your eyes open and you will quickly find the right direction.

But before you hit the road, it's time for a quick warm-up for your grey cells!

TASK 1

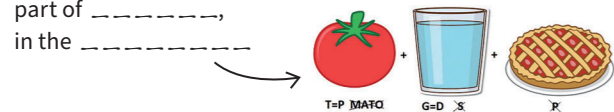
Rack your brains, solve the rebus puzzles and get to know more about the place where you are!

Welcome to the Center for Tourism and Promotion

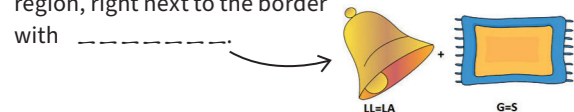
"The Land of the Bison", surrounded by the Białowieża



As you probably already know, the Forest is situated in the eastern part of _____, in the _____



region, right next to the border with _____

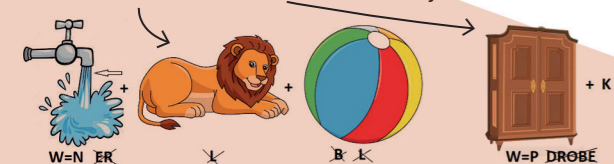


But did you also know that it is the only natural site in Poland listed as a _____ World Heritage site?



It is also the last such well-preserved primeval forest in Europe. Here, you can see what the primeval forests that once covered our continent looked like.

It's no wonder that the most valuable part of the Forest has been protected within the boundaries of the Białowieża _____ for over 100 years.



Now it's high time to see the Forest up close. Let's get going! And where to?

Stand in front of the building of the Center for Tourism and Promotion "The Land of the Bison".

It is not the time to play, so approach the boards that have no attractions for children nearby.

TASK 2

Do you know how to actively explore the Białowieża Forest? On foot, by bike ... or maybe some other way? Take a look at the information board and it will soon become clear that the Land of _____ and _____ has some exciting _____ trails for you.

You can choose from a number of different trails. Black trails have the following names:

- _____
- _____
- _____

Get to know each of them and answer the questions:

Do you know how many sections the first one consists of? _____
Which village does the second one lead to? _____
And what is the name of the charming open-air museum along the third trail? _____

Do you now know everything about the nordic walking trails? Great! Then now it's time for another task. Stand in front of the board that's next to you.

TASK 3

Before you do the task, decide for yourselves: who among you is the best reader and who best remembers what they hear?

In this task, teamwork is key! Here is a text full of interesting facts about the Białowieża Forest. Designate a person to read it out loud. Make the others listen carefully, because the success of your team depends on it.

And if you prefer to act alone – read the text on your own and remember as much as you can!

Białowieża Forest is the jewel in the crown of Polish nature. The best-preserved fragment of the Polish part of the Forest – the last in lowland Europe natural forest of the primeval character, which centuries ago stretched in the zone of deciduous and mixed forests – is protected by the Białowieża National Park. It is here that the green heart of the Forest beats! Well-preserved forest collection of specific rare species of organisms are also protected in 21 nature reserves.

In the Polish part of the Białowieża Forest you will find many species of plants, animals and fungi.

About 120 species of birds nest here, of which nearly 100 are forest species. Most of them are very picky tenants. The fact that they have chosen the Forest to be their home is a testament to the good preservation of habitats, where food and hiding places are easy to find.

What's more, nature lovers will encounter here more than 20 species of birds of prey, such as short-toed snake eagle, lesser spotted eagle, Eurasian pygmy owl or boreal owl. The keen eye of an ornithologist has a chance to spot a variety of hole-nesting birds, such as for example rare woodpeckers: Eurasian three-toed woodpecker, white-backed woodpecker or collared flycatcher. Hazel grouses and black storks, rare in our country, can also be observed here.

However, the value and uniqueness of the Białowieża Forest is not the number, but the quality of the species it contains. There are few plants and animals here associated with environments transformed by man, and a great many characteristic of natural and primeval forests, which elsewhere have already been exterminated or are gravely endangered.

Without looking at the text, answer the following questions:

- How many birds nest in the Polish part of the Białowieża Forest? _____
- How many nature reserves have been created in the Białowieża Forest? _____
- How many species of birds of prey nest in the Białowieża Forest? More than _____
- A „three-toed” bird found in the Forest is a...? _____

Congratulations! The Forest hides fewer and fewer secrets from you! Move on. When you leave the starting point on the main road, head left. Be alert: turn as the sign „Budy” indicates, and when you reach this village, turn to Teremiski. Keep going straight ahead and when you pass the charming Teremiski village, there will be a sign for Narewka, and there ... a sign with an animal. Drive ahead until you see a sign with an educational trail on the left.

TASK 4

If you want to learn more about the main character of the educational trail, find the boards from which you will quickly learn that:

In front of you is an educational trail named _____,

Which bird is the main character of this trail? _____

Just one more look at the board and it will become clear that you can meet this bird in the _____ Forest District.

TASK 5

You have already learned quite a bit about the winged inhabitants of the Białowieża Forest. You should, however, remember that this primeval forest is home to many species of animals and plants. Read the information about the forest and ... remember as much as possible!

Did you know that the Białowieża Forest is one of the few places in Europe where you will meet many species of hoofed mammals: bison, elk, deer, roe deer and wild boar?

The Białowieża Forest is also home for large predators. Lynxes rest in the pits and the backwoods of the forest are patrolled by wolf packs.

In the forest, even the largest mammals have comfortable living conditions. The rich structure of the forest, fallen trunks and branches guarantee their safety, while the presence of many animal species, mainly roe deer and deer, provides them with food. Remember that the lynx and wolf primarily hunt sick, weakened individuals so they affect the good health of forest animals.