



# Where is Mike Mallard?

an outdoor adventure camp presented by

  
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# Are your students ready for an adventure?

Five Oaks Ag Research and Education Center invites your students to participate in a grand adventure.

Our day camp titled "Where is Mike Mallard?" provides children in the third and fourth grade with unique, challenging and hands-on experiences with the hope of providing new opportunities and sparking a love for the great outdoors.



# A Typical Day at Camp



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When students arrive, they will gather with their assigned team and listen to the story, "Where is Mike Mallard?"

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Throughout the story, each student will discover that Mike Mallard did not show up for the annual "Critter Cook-off" Baking Competition. Therefore, it is up to each team to work together and locate Mike Mallard himself.

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The four teams will rotate through four stations. Throughout their time at the station, the students will participate in a series of hands-on activities while striving to earn "Critter Coins" or tokens as well as clues needed to solve the mystery.

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After all teams have rotated through every station, the students will gather in the main lodge. At this time, they will use their tokens to make educated guesses as to where Mike Mallard is. This particular exercise requires critical thinking skills as well as collaborative efforts to guess correctly.

To begin,  
students  
will listen  
to the  
story.  
Where is  
Mike  
Mallard?



Next up, the teams will rotate through four unique yet carefully curated stations.





# "Duck Identification" Station

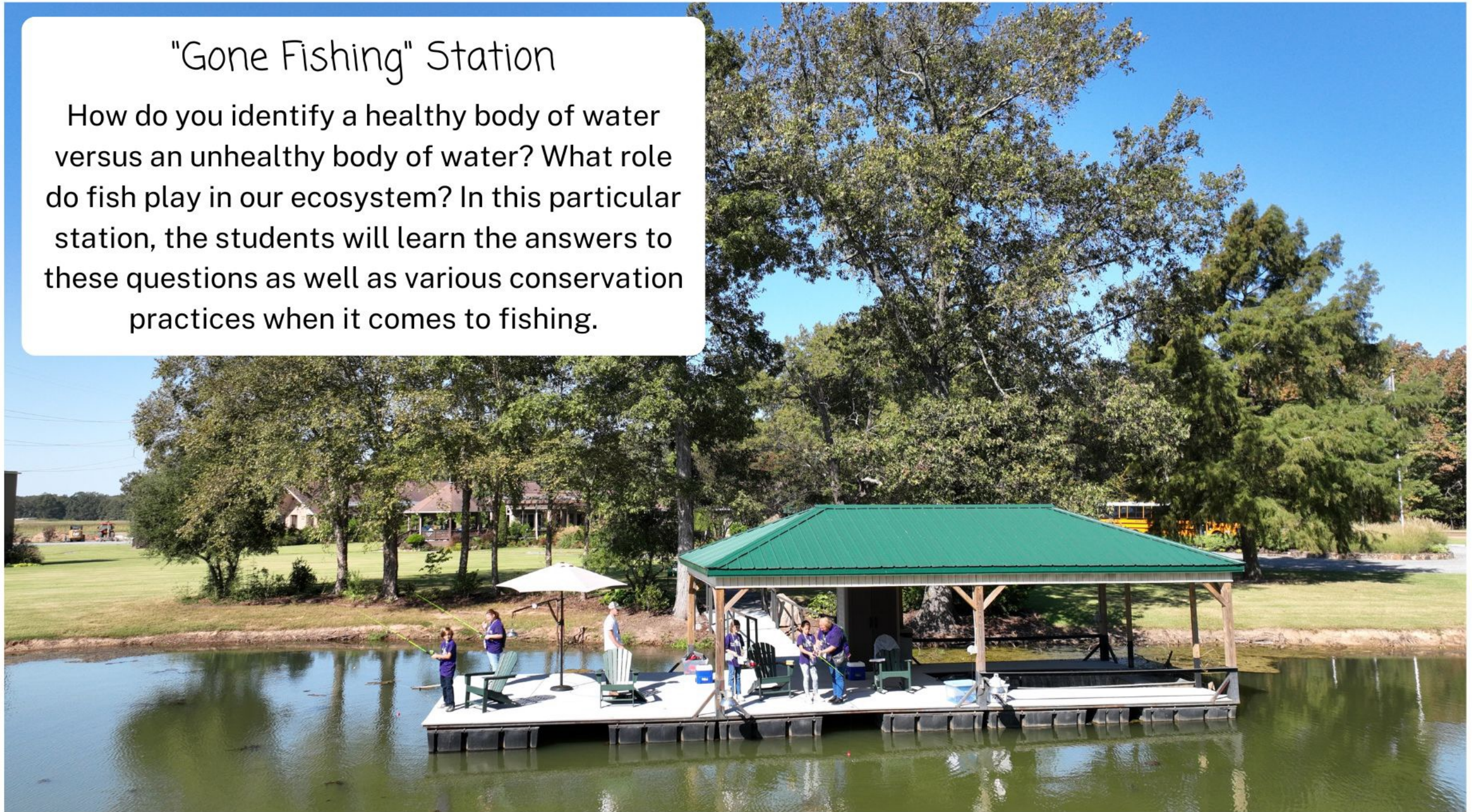
**Why do scientists need to research various duck species? How do they track the flight patterns of these phenomenal waterfowl creatures? In this station, students will learn how to identify various ducks, the methods used to track the flight patterns of these incredible animals, and why it's important within the world of conservation.**

# "Duck Identification" Station



## "Gone Fishing" Station

How do you identify a healthy body of water versus an unhealthy body of water? What role do fish play in our ecosystem? In this particular station, the students will learn the answers to these questions as well as various conservation practices when it comes to fishing.





# "Gone Fishing" Station



# "Wacky Waters" Station

**What organisms live in the ponds around us? What role if any do they play in a food web? In this hands-on station, students will put on their boots, wade into a body of water, and see first hand what types of organisms live within the waters. It's safe to say, this particular station is a fan favorite!**



# "Wacky Waters" Station





## "Wilderness Wonders" Station

**Did you know there are dozens and dozens of various plants in our own backyard? In this exciting station, students will learn how to identify various forms of vegetation as well as the role that each plant plays within our ecosystem. The best part? Students will have the opportunity to plant their own flower or tree to then take home with them.**

# "Wilderness Wonders" Station



# Where is Mike Mallard?

After the students have rotated through all four stations, each individual team will work together, while practicing the skills of collaboration, communication and teamwork, to ultimately decide where Mike Mallard is. Once each team has reached a decision, they will use their "Critter Coins" or tokens to make their educated guesses.



"This was the  
best field trip  
ever!"





"Please tell everyone  
that all of their  
hard work was so  
appreciated, and  
they made a  
difference in our  
lives yesterday!"

4th Grade Teacher