

SUNSET CRATER VOLCANO NATIONAL MONUMENT



Junior Ranger Program (6 years and under)



A long time ago, people lived in a valley that was surrounded by many volcanoes. Things had been calm for a long time. Then one day the ground began to shake and rumble. A new volcano began to grow, shooting cinders, ash, and smoke into the air for miles around. The people who lived here had to move away, and build new homes and gardens in a new place. Many Indian tribes still tell stories about this big change.

Today, we call this new mountain Sunset Crater Volcano. Scientists come here to study the rocks, and the plants and animals that live around the volcano. Other people, like you, come to hike and look and listen. Park Rangers work here to help you have fun and learn about the volcano.

ADULTS – Your Junior Ranger will need your help to read the instructions in this guide. Questions are based on the exhibits in the Sunset Crater Volcano Visitor Center.

Find “A Place of Cultural Importance”

Listen to one of the American Indian stories about Sunset Crater. Which tribe did you pick to listen to?

Yavapai-Apache _____ Hualapai _____ Hopi _____ or Navajo _____



As a junior ranger I promise to help take care of places like Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument.

Park Ranger

My Name

Find the rock display

Some rocks are smooth and some are rough. Which are which? Circle your answer:

Cinders: Rough or smooth Obsidian : Rough or smooth Aa Lava: Rough or Smooth

Pumice is a special rock. What can it do? Circle Your Answer:



Run



Float



Explode



Make Music

Find “An Unusual Home”

Which of these animals can you find in this exhibit? Circle them:



Abert's squirrel



Mule deer



Coyote



Steller's jay



Ringtail



Bat

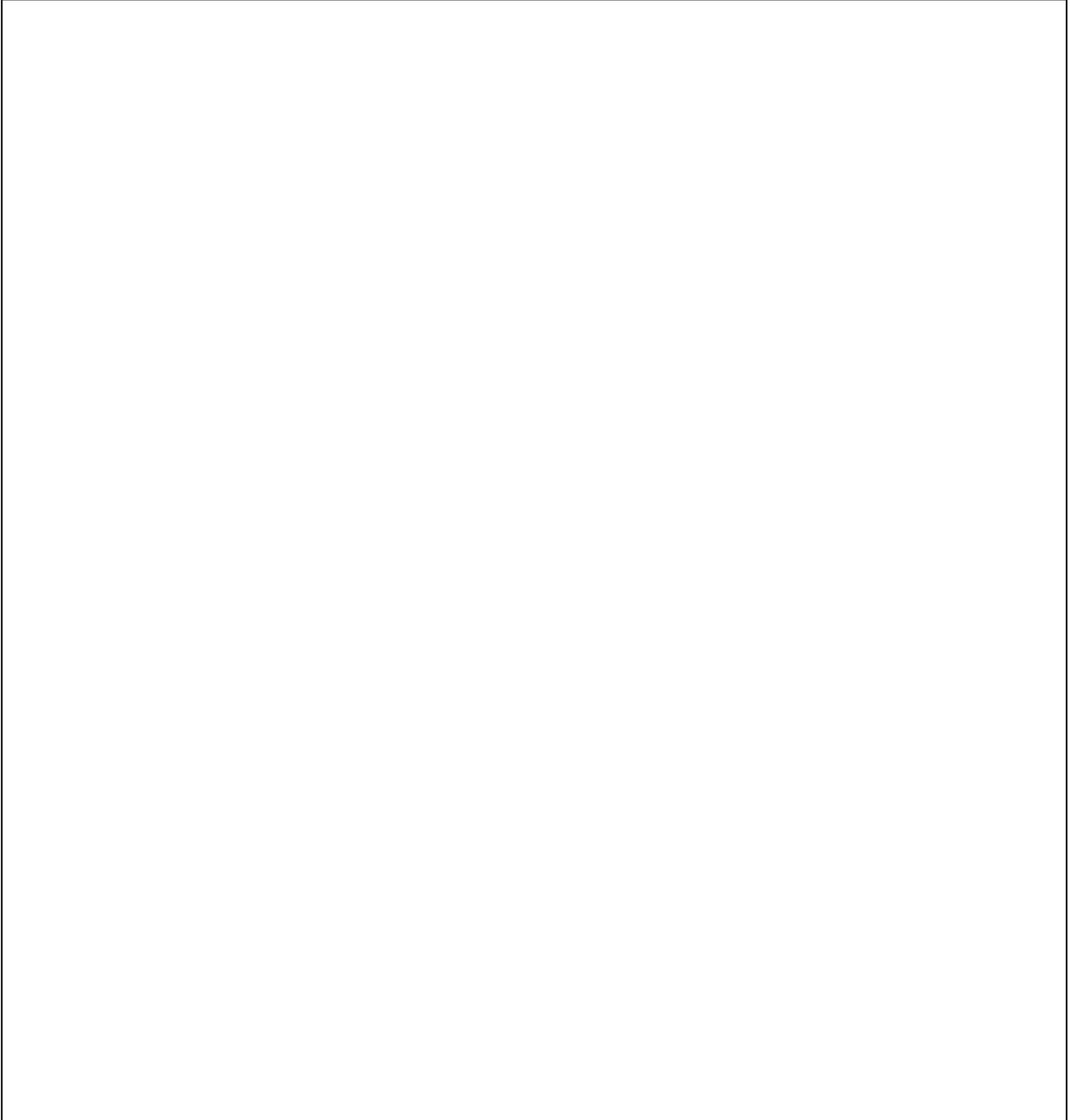


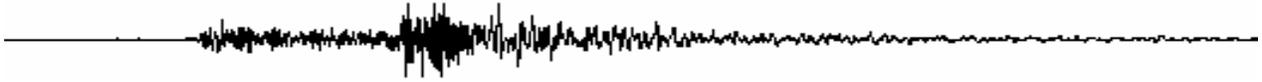
Tarantula



Mountain lion

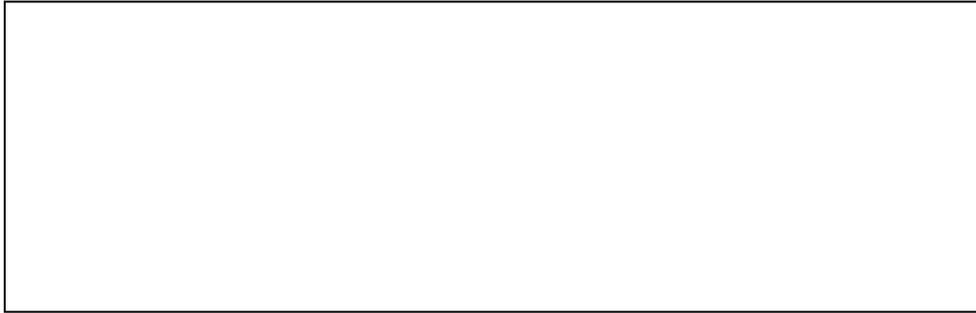
A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words. Ask a ranger at the visitor center for crayons. Draw something you see at Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument – maybe a rock, an animal, a flower, a tree, or a mountain - in this box.





Find the earthquake exhibit.

Did you know that the earth is always moving? If you jump you will make a small earthquake. Draw a picture of your earthquake here.

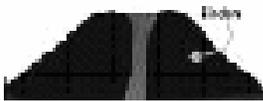


Watch the Movie “When Day turned to Night”

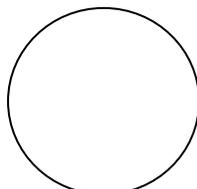
When hot lava first comes up what color is it? Circle your answer. Red Black Blue Green

Melted rock is called lava. Lava comes from the: a. sky b. ground.

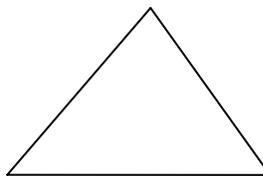
What shape is a cinder cone volcano? Color the shape.



Cinder Cone



Circle



Triangle

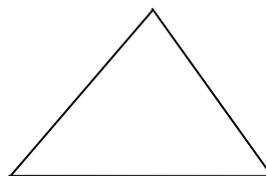


Square

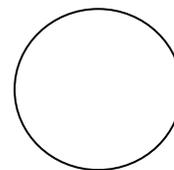
What shape is the earth?



Square



Triangle



circle