

PJ Library at NHM!



1 The fin whale is the second-largest whale on earth, can grow up to 85 feet, and weigh 160,000 pounds! In the PJ book *Oh No Jonah!*, Jonah is swallowed by a whale and lives inside the whale for three days. **Find the fin whale skeleton and look up at the ribs.** How many people do you think can fit inside the rib cage of the whale?



The whale can fit _____ people!

2 A *shofar* is a trumpet made from a kosher animal's horn with the marrow removed. It is traditional to hear the *shofar* being blown on *Rosh Hashanah* (the Jewish New Year). Can you find all the animals at NHM whose horns can be used to make a *shofar*?

Find the following:

- bighorn sheep
- Dall's sheep
- sable antelope
- stone sheep
- kudu



3 **Find the Museum's Edible Garden**, a green oasis within our city! Every Jewish holiday has specific foods connected to the holiday, such as latkes for *Hanukkah* or *matzah* for Passover. Think of a Jewish food recipe that you can make with a plant, fruit, or spice found in the garden. **What is your favorite food?**

My favorite food is: _____

4 The *Havdalah* candle (a braided candle with multiple wicks) is essential for the *Havdalah* ritual, which includes lighting the candle, blessing the wine or grape juice, and the smelling of specifically designated spices. **Can you spot this iconic candle that marks the ending of *Shabbat* and the beginning of the new week?** Hint: The candle can be found alongside one large case with hundreds of other miniature objects that celebrate the diversity of L.A.!



5 PJ Library has many books that feature lions, such as *The Sabbath Lion* and *The Lion and the Bird*. Did you know the Lion of Judah is a Jewish national and cultural symbol, traditionally regarded as the symbol of the Israelite tribe of Judah? **Find the pride of lions in the Museum.** *Bonus: Can you spot the lion scratching its ear?*



6 In the PJ Library books, *Have you ever seen a Ziz?* and *The Hardest Word*, you learn about the Jewish mythological griffin-like bird called a Ziz- which is said to be large enough to be able to block out the sun with its wingspan! **Can you find the ostrich, the largest living bird on the planet today, displayed in the Museum?**



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In the PJ Library book, *Dinosaur on Passover*, the reader meets a friendly dinosaur who just wants to fit in. One of the most famous dinosaurs, the *Tyrannosaurus rex*, stood out a bit from other theropod dinosaurs with its large and powerful jaws. **Can you find the *T. rex* growth series featuring a baby, juvenile, and sub-adult *T. rex*?** It's the only series of its kind in the world!



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In the PJ Library book, *How Do Dinosaurs Say Happy Chanukah?*, one of the many dinosaurs you get to meet is the *Stegosaurus*. This armored dinosaur is covered with large scutes (or plates) down its back and large spikes on its tail. **Find the *Stegosaurus* mounted fighting with the predator *Allosaurus* and count how many scutes line the back of the dinosaur.**



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One of PJ Library's most popular characters is Sammy the Spider- do you have a favorite Sammy the Spider book? **Your mission is to find one living spider on display at the Museum.** Take a close look at the spider and make some observations- how many legs does it have? Is it spiky, shiny, or hairy?



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In the PJ Library book, *The World Needs Beautiful Things*, Bezalel has a special box to keep all the beautiful things he finds. **Explore the Gem and Mineral Hall and list five gems or minerals you would add to a box of special things:**



Bonus: The Gem and Mineral Hall displays one of the oldest objects in the entire Museum collection. Can you find it? Hint, it is out of this world!

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

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The Jewish value of Tikkun Olam (repair of the world) encourages you to help protect our planet and all of the living creatures that live around us. **In the Bird Hall, find the following endangered birds:**

- California condor
- golden eagle
- spotted owl



Share ideas with your family about how you can help protect our planet.

SHARE!

Snap a selfie with you and your favorite spot in the Museum or favorite object on display! Share it with us by posting your photo to social media **@NHMLA** and **@pjlibrary** with **#pjla** and **#jfedla**.

