

## INVASIVE SPECIES MATCHING GAME

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### Lesson Length:

20 minutes, great as an ice-breaker or introductory activity

### Lesson Materials:

Printed set of Invasive Species Matching Game Cards

### Procedures:

- 1) Shuffle cards and hand out to students
- 2) Students will be matching cards with an invasive species to the way that invasive species is spread
- 3) Once students find their match, have the students work with their match to:
  - a. Describe/brainstorm how the invasive species is spread by human activity
  - b. Identify the type of habitat the invasive species is found
  - c. Come up with ways to prevent the spread of the invasive species

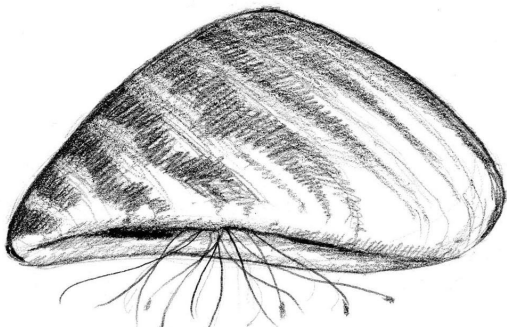
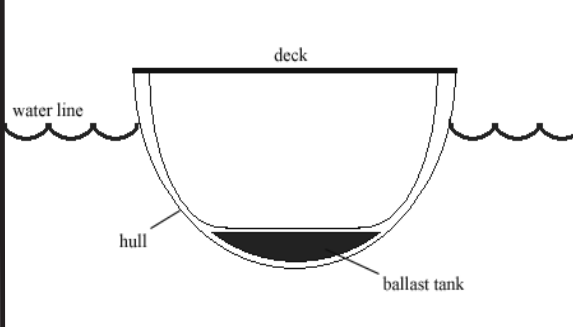
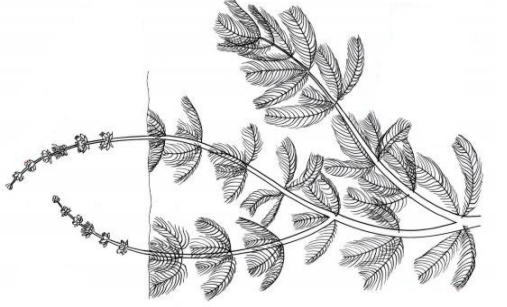
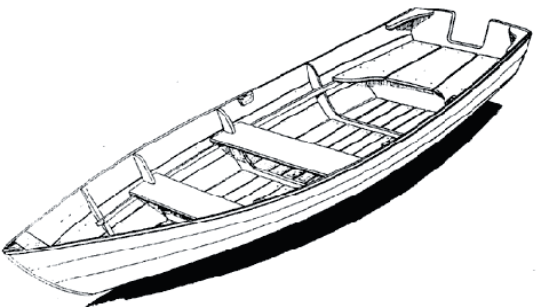
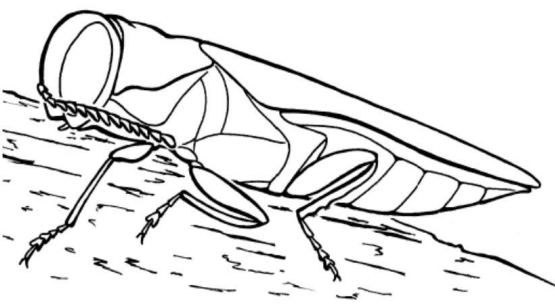
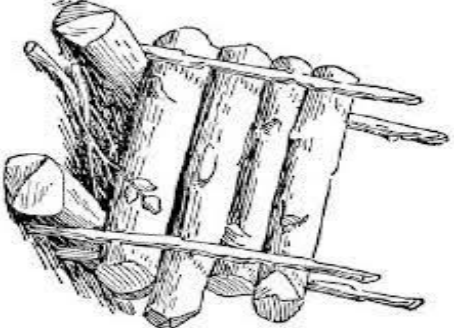
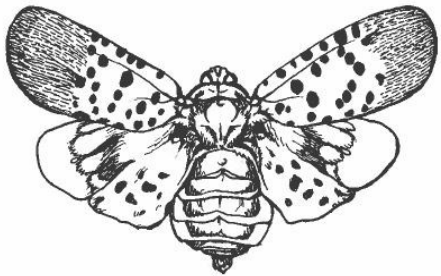
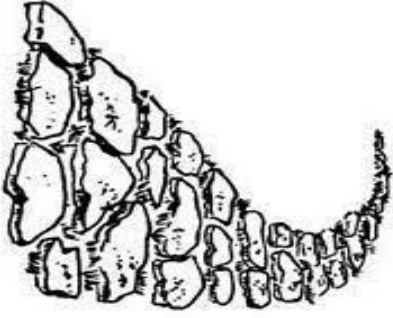
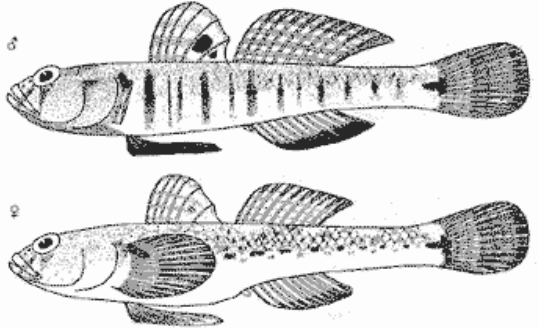
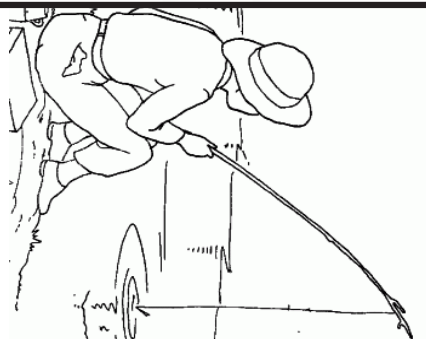
### Activity Objectives:

- 1) Become familiar with common invasive species and the role of humans in spreading or preventing the spread of invasive species
- 2) Identify habitats where invasive species are commonly found
- 3) Understand how invasive species spread, ecological impacts and measures to prevent the spread of invasive species.

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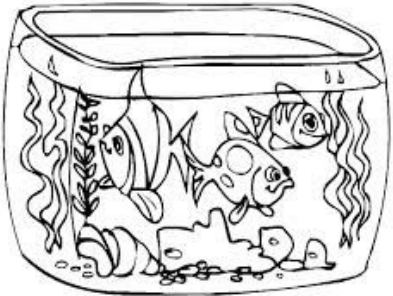



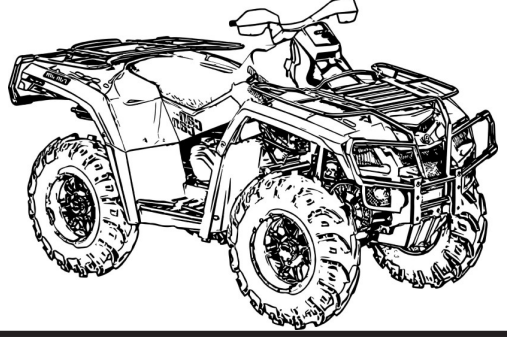
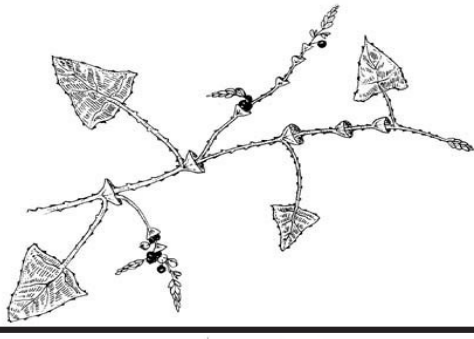
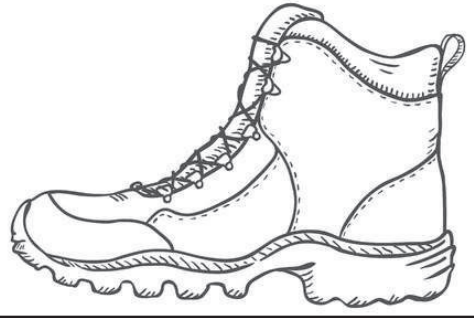
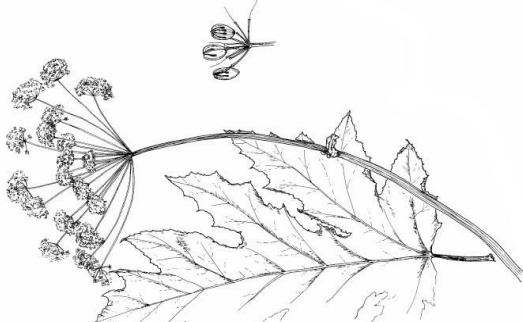

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Zebra Mussel (Ballast Water)			Ballast Water (Zebra Mussels)
Eurasian Water Milfoil (Recreational Boating)			Recreational Boating (Eurasian Water Milfoil)
Emerald Ash Borer (Firewood)			Firewood (Emerald Ash Borer)
Spotted Lanternfly (Landscaping)			Landscaping (Spotted Lanternfly)
Round Goby (Fishing Bait)			Fishing Bait (Round Goby)

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Hydrilla (Aquarium)			Aquarium (Hydrilla)
Japanese Barberry (Plant Nursery)			Plant Nursery (Japanese Barberry)
Swallow-wort (All-Terrain Vehicle)			All-Terrain Vehicles (Swallow-wort)
Mile A-Minute (Work Boots)			Work Boots (Mile A-Minute)
Giant Hogweed (Backhoe Loader)			Backhoe Loader (Giant Hogweed)