

# SLUG-A-BUG JUNIOR EXPLORERS

## Florida Safety Guide

### Plants



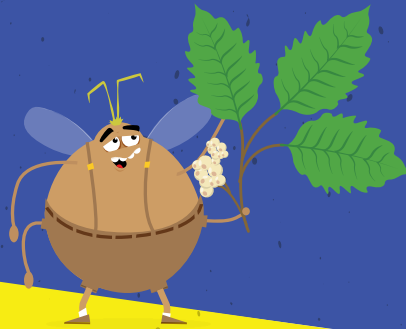
#### POISON OAK

Often appears as a low-growing shrub or climbing vine with clusters of three leaflets resembling oak leaves.



#### POISON IVY

Typically grows as a vine or shrub with three glossy green leaflets,



### Insects



#### FIRE ANTS

Fire ants may look small, but they pack a powerful sting! Watch out for their sandy nests and avoid disturbing them to stay safe from their fiery bites.



#### WASPS

Stay safe around yellow-jackets by avoiding sudden movements near their nests and keeping food and drinks covered when outdoors.



#### SPIDERS

Most spiders in Florida are nice and help keep our homes bug-free, but black widow spiders have shiny black bodies with a red hourglass mark on their bellies. Brown recluse spiders hide in dark corners and can give a nasty bite, so always be cautious and let an adult know if you see one



### Venomous Snakes

(DANGER NOODLE)

If you see a venomous snake, stay calm and slowly walk away without running. Make sure to give the snake lots of space.



#### RATTLE SNAKES

Eastern Diamondback, Timber, and Pygmy Rattlesnake. These snakes rattle loudly to warn you.

#### WATER MOCCASIN

Usually found near water, water Moccasins are also called "Cottonmouths" because they show their white mouth when threatened.



### GRUBBY SAYS:

"Bring plenty of water to stay hydrated, especially on hot days."

