

Activity #3: State Symbols Bingo Game

Grade Levels: 1st –3rd Grade

Time Required:

Option #1: 20-40 minutes

Option #2: 10-25 minutes

Description: This is a game where students review the Illinois State Symbols by playing bingo. There are two options.

Option #1: Students cut out and glue pictures of the State Symbols on a blank bingo card.

Option #2: Teacher can download a set of 30 bingo cards and distribute them to students.

Materials needed for Option #1:

- 1) Pictures of 24 Illinois State Symbols (1 page per student)
- 2) Blank bingo card (1 per student)
- 3) 1 Calling Cards page for teacher or student caller
- 4) Scissors
- 5) Glue
- 6) Bingo markers (beans, tiles, etc.)

Directions for Option #1:

- 1) Copy state symbols cards (1 page per student).
- 2) Have students cut out symbols and glue them on the blank bingo card in any order.
- 3) Cut out calling cards, put into a cup, and draw for bingo game.
- 4) Each page contains two of the same symbol. For a quicker game, allow students to mark two spaces per round.

Materials needed for Option #2:

- 1) 1 Calling Cards page for teacher or student caller.
 - 2) Set of 30 pre-made bingo cards (can be downloaded in PDF format).
- **It is recommended that you put these on heavier paper and laminate them for future use.
- 3) Bingo markers (beans, tiles, etc.)

Directions for Option #2:

- 1) Simply download cards, distribute to students, and play!

Variation: If you want the students to read a little more or just want to vary the game, make the state symbols pictures the calling cards and make students use the words as their bingo game board squares.

<u>State Tree</u> White Oak	<u>State Tree</u> White Oak	<u>State Flower</u> Violet	<u>State Flower</u> Violet	<u>State Animal</u> White-tailed Deer
<u>State Bird</u> Northern Cardinal	<u>State Bird</u> Northern Cardinal	<u>State Slogan</u> “Land of Lincoln”	<u>State Slogan</u> “Land of Lincoln”	<u>State Animal</u> White-tailed Deer
<u>State Mineral</u> Fluorite	<u>State Mineral</u> Fluorite	<u>Calling Cards for State Symbols Bingo game</u> Cut out and put into a cup, then draw for bingo game.	<u>State Insect</u> Monarch Butterfly	<u>State Insect</u> Monarch Butterfly
<u>State Fish</u> Bluegill	<u>State Fish</u> Bluegill	<u>State Prairie</u> <u>Grass</u> Big Bluestem	<u>State Prairie</u> <u>Grass</u> Big Bluestem	<u>State Soil</u> Drummer Soil
<u>State Fossil</u> Tully Monster	<u>State Fossil</u> Tully Monster	<u>State Dance</u> Square Dance	<u>State Dance</u> Square Dance	<u>State Soil</u> Drummer Soil



























































