

WILDLY EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

SERPENTS: FANGS & FICTION

Discover the truth behind the fears.



Reptiles walked the earth with the dinosaurs and outlasted them all. Some of them can be frozen in ice and live to tell. Others thrive in deserts that burn other animals to dust. Some of them can survive months without eating and then exhibit voracious appetites.

Encased in scales and incapable of even generating their own body heat, these are the reptiles. And while many of us fear an up close encounter with a snake, lizard, or alligator, these extraordinary creatures play an important role in nature.

This is the message students can see played out daily in the Serpents: Fangs & Fiction show, one of the new presentations at the zoo.

This original show features reptiles from around the world including a variety of venomous snakes. Students safely get an up close view through the use of a live video camera broadcasting to video monitors in the Safari Canyon open-air theater.

Video clips also highlight fascinating behaviors not easily replicated outside the wild. The fast-paced program illustrates the valuable role that reptiles play in keeping the balance of nature.



Additional Resources:

Venomous Snake Safety Info www.napleszoo.com/snakes

Guide to Florida Snakes www.flmnh.ufl.edu/natsci/herpetology/FL-GUIDE/onlineguide.htm

Conservation in the Classroom: http://www.napleszoo.org/Visitor_Info/zoo-events/backyard-habitat.htm

By providing a place for all kinds of wildlife, we help keep the balance- not too many or too few of just one type.

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