



# The Rincon Valley Academic Scavenger Hunt



## **RULES - Read before you begin!**

1. You may use the enclosed answer sheet or copy questions from the website, paste them into a document, and add your answers and documentation. Your choice - all that is required is legibility! However, students must do all writing and/or word-processing! Not parents!
2. **You may ask for help to find resources, but students, not parents, must find, write, and document the answers!**
3. Each question is worth **two points** if a valid resource is given (unless otherwise noted).  
**No resource, no points.**
4. **Spelling counts** -- One point will be deducted from an otherwise correct answer.
5. An extra point will be given for checking your answer in an additional resource -- i.e. A correct answer with two valid resources = three points.
6. Only one answer per question is accepted. The Hunt Master's answer rules in the case of a discrepancy. (If you find more than one answer to a question, check with a third source.)
7. **Acceptable documentation counts:** (One point will be deducted from acceptable documentation as defined below or for a totally unreadable internet address.) You do not need publisher.  
**Books:** Title, author, page number. (e.g. The Hobbit, J.R.R. Tolkien, pg. 75)  
**Magazines:** Title, date, page number. (e.g. *Time*, January 2002, pg. 32)  
**Electronic resources:** Resource name plus article (e.g., Microsoft Encarta, "Cyborg" or [www.britannica.com](http://www.britannica.com) "Frogs")  
**Hardcopy Encyclopedias:** Name of the encyclopedia, volume, article, and page.  
**The Internet:** Be careful that the sites you use are valid resources. For example, in Wikipedia, look at the resources and documentation given. To document internet resources, use the web address (e.g. <http://marsprogram.jpl.nasa.gov/facts/>). For very long ones, the "home" page of the site is enough, but do NOT just list the search engine (e.g., [www.wikipedia.com](http://www.wikipedia.com), [www.google.com](http://www.google.com), or [dictionary.com](http://dictionary.com) is not enough.)
8. **Only 8 of the questions can be answered using the Internet only as the resource** (You can have an Internet address as a second resource for any question to check your answers and get the extra points.) Note: Using a computer encyclopedia such as *Encarta* or a magazine database such as "Infobits" does not count as using the Internet (or [www.britannica.com](http://www.britannica.com) + article or [www.worldbook.com](http://www.worldbook.com) + article). These are OK as electronic resources.
9. **Turn your completed packet in to your SCHOOL OFFICE on Monday, February 6, before school begins.** A penalty may be applied to packets not in the school office on time. Include only the final copy of your answer sheet; questions & worksheets, etc. are not necessary.
10. **Awards:** All hunters will receive a participation award. The highest scoring team at each grade level will get an additional award. Awards will be delivered to your classrooms as soon as the team packets are all scored. The answers will be posted on the Rincon Valley website on the Wednesday after the hunt.

**Have fun!!!**