





# NATURALLY FLORIDA FUN

#### **EPISODE SUMMARY**

Florida is known for having alligators, a fact that brings fear to many visitors and residents. But, alligators are an important species in many of our ecosystems. While we continue to develop the State, our chances of encountering an alligator increase, but there are many ways we can learn to coexist with them.

### WHAT IS ONE THING YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THIS TOPIC?

## **KEY TERMS**

Use the back of this page to define the following words based on information in the episode. Verify your answer using a dictionary.

- Keystone species
  Crepuscular
- Predator
- Ectotherm
- Threatened
- Ambient

What is one thing you learned?

### **FOLLOW THESE STEPS TO LISTEN AND LEARN**

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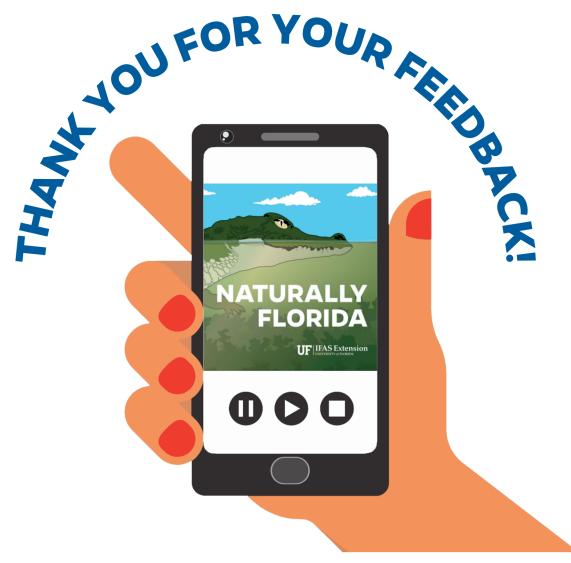
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Step 3. Answer questions on this page, and if time permits, use the discussion questions below to have a conversation with your classmates, teacher or group leader.

Describe one way we can coexist with alligators:

### **DISCUSSION/RESEARCH QUESTIONS:**

- 1) What are some other benefits alligators provide in the ecosystems where they are found?
- 2) How has this episode changed your thoughts about American alligators?



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