



KAWAI NUI MARSH NATIVE PLANT HUNT

FIND:

1. A native hibiscus plant that grows around the marsh

Hint: Its flowers are about the size of your fist.

Did you know? Hawaiians used the flowers for medicines and to dye their *kapa* cloth.



Hau Hele Wai

2. A native plant with very tiny white flowers that can fit on the tip of your finger

Hint: It spreads over the ground and can grow in the water.

Did you know? Some experts say this plant can increase brain power, but don't eat it!



'Ae'ae (Water Hyssop)

3. A sedge that grows in the marsh

Hint: It grows in a large clump.

Did you know? When the *mo'o wahine* named Hauwahine is present at Kawai Nui Marsh, the *'uki* is said to turn yellow.



'Uki (Sedge)

4. A native plant that belongs to the lily family.

Hint: It has long smooth leaves.

Did you know? The leaves of the *'uki'uki* were used for houses. The leaves and roots were also used to make rope. The berries made beautiful seed lei. What else do you think the berries could be used for?



'Uki'uki

5. An insect that is feeding on a plant.
- Bonus:** Be prepared to describe at least one reason that plants need insects and insects need plants.



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