

# INVASIVE SPECIES NEWS

## Grades 6th-8th



Choose one of the following invasive species found in Florida:

1. Lionfish
2. Green Iguana
3. Burmese Python
4. Cane Toad



Write a newspaper article about your chosen invasive species.

Include the information below in your news report;

- A picture of the species.
- A description of the species.
- When was it first introduced into Florida? How did it get into Florida?
- Was it introduced by mistake or on purpose?
- What effect is this invading species having on the ecosystem-how is it affecting other organisms living there?
- Is there anything being done to try to solve the problem?

You could also think about including:

- Quotes from a local environmentalist/homeowner/fisherman/ecologist/wildlife biologist saying how they feel about the problem.
- Information on how we can avoid other invasive species from making Florida their homes.

Once you complete your news content you can design a news page with photos and then share with your family, teachers and friends!

