

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Fishing Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Fishing spots are the most coveted and top-secret locations for anglers. But for new anglers, discovering the perfect fishing hole in miles of water can feel baffling. A great fishing location can supply anglers with an abundance of fish, memorable catches, and intimate connections to nature. That's why you are going to unravel the secrets to your water bodies and discover the secret fishing spots for your friends and family to enjoy by **creating a fishing report**.

What is a fishing report? **Fishing reports are great resources for the anglers that are questing for their new fishing spot!** They reveal fishing locations within counties and states while also reporting useful angling tidbits, such as the fish species in the area, how abundant the fish are, and what fish anglers catch there. They also share valuable info such as fishing seasons, access points, regulations, and habitat.

**To build a great fishing report for your family and friends, first fill in the worksheet below.** You may contact local fishing experts and state wildlife agencies, research online for current "fish reports" of the location or download and use fishing apps to find answers. You may also travel with your team members to the fishing location to scout the location and take videos or photos of the location.

1. What kind of waterbody is your fishing location? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Describe the size and features of your water body: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. What kinds of habitat features provide fish cover, food resources, or shade? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Which of these habitat features are present at your location that anglers should target for fish? \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Check if any surveys been done on the water body by your state wildlife agency. If so, what fish populations and species did these surveys find? \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

6. What species of fish have anglers caught at the location? \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_
7. What seasons will the fish be biting the best? Or times of day? \_\_\_\_\_  
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8. How can new anglers catch the gamefish caught in your location?
- Fishing Methods: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
  - Gear: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
  - Bait: \_\_\_\_\_  
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9. Where can anglers get access to the water? \_\_\_\_\_  
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10. What other outdoor recreation can you do near this water body? \_\_\_\_\_  
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11. Are there any special regulations anglers must follow on this water body? \_\_\_\_\_  
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12. What other management strategies has the state wildlife agency used on this water body? \_\_\_\_\_  
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13. Find a fishing guide or expert who could take people fishing on your water body. This may be a family member, friend, local fishing guide, expert, or fishing club. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Combine your findings with your other team members to design your fishing report into a slideshow presentation. Your presentation must include supporting research and media (photos, images, clipart). Your group will present your fishing report with recommended fishing spots to the class. The group with the most useful fishing report wins the challenge!

