

I cross the water
carrying cargo and more
invasives in ballast water
and on my hull from shore
to shore

*on boating and ballast water
cards*



You might think we are all
pink but were not
We were released for
hunters We root and we
wallow, rub and avoid
being caught

Wild pigs



I can choke out freshwater
plants
in lakes and steams
changing the ecosystem
by all means

Elodea/Hydrila



Our long stems of bright
purple flowers blow in the
wind
Now on firm soil where a
wetland has been.

Purple Loosestrife



I look like a beaver
but dig up stream banks,
eat native plants with my
yellow teeth
when I arrive they say no
thanks

Nutria



Tiny and slimy
I easily go from
streambeds to boot treads
and I'm spread by anglers
from stream to stream

New Zealand Mudsnail

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We're tiny but powerful,
hidden within two shells
As super water filters have
no fear. We will cover all
surfaces eliminating life
and making your lakes
crystal clear

Quagga and Zebra Mussels



My berries are tasty
and my spread has been
quite hasty
My fast growing canes
reduce both plant and
animals diversity

Himalayan Blackberries



I was grown for my legs
and am the largest of
frogs
I can eat snakes, turtles,
bats found in marshes,
streams and bogs

American Bull Frog



I strangle trees blocking
light
As I wrap around them
tight
When my cover is
complete
I don't let other plants
compete

Japanese Knotweed



Like the American Bullfrog
I eat much of what I meet
My toes look like claws
but really just part of my
feet

African Clawed Frog



My pretty yellow blossoms
aren't so pretty when
they fill in wetlands by
trapping sediments

Yellow Iris

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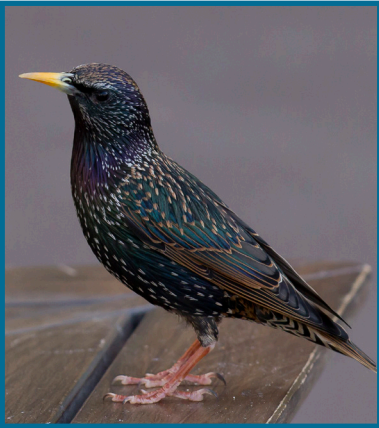
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Introduced to Central Park
bringing Shakespeare's
fowl near
Competing for nesting
sites, with aggressive
methods that are clear

Starlings



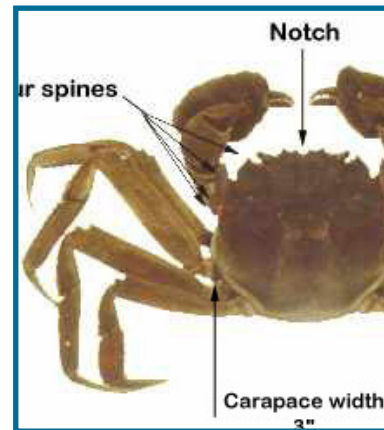
I'm protected by a hard
shell
but to recognize me, use
the red stripe on my face
as I bask in the sun taking
another turtle's space

Red Eared Slider



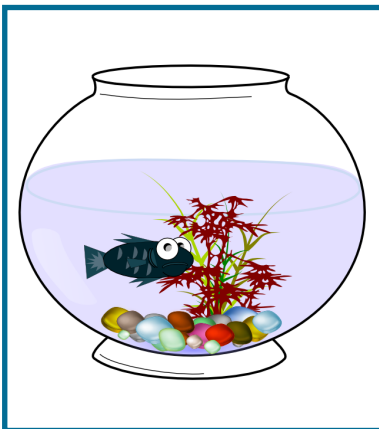
Our orange and yellow
squishy bodies coat the
bottoms
of docks and boats
filtering plankton from the
water and
and even covering floats

Tunicates



We don't need mittens to
stay warm in deep waters
but if you look at us our
claws seem as furry as
otters

Chinese Mitten Crab



I serve as a home for a
fish and plants but
if I'm emptied into the
water what a mistake
I can change a whole
river, stream, pond, bay or
lake

Aquarium



Stealing values from
wetlands as I cause them
to fill
With foliage that birds find
doesn't fit the bill

Spartina

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I look like snot and feel
like sand paper
Mucking up streams
catching rides from
visitors
I thrive with increased
nutrients and temperature

Rock Snot



My large claws help
provide protection
I can eat baby fish,
mollusks, changing a
stream forever
Replacing native crayfish,
help prevent detection

Crayfish



I have heart shaped
leaves
rapidly cover stream
banks and more
soon I am the only plant
along the shore

English Ivy



I can be found around the
world biding my time
When native seaweed
breaks free
the spot becomes mine

Sargassum



I'm welcomed as a
solution when lake
vegetation is too dense
But I know no boundaries
maybe they will stop me
with an electric fence

Grass Carp



As they grow in number
and size
these biofouling Asian
bivalves ability to block
pipes
gets a top prize

Asian Clam

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While gold in color, in the lake you may not see me as I eat aquatic plants and disturb turbidity.

Goldfish



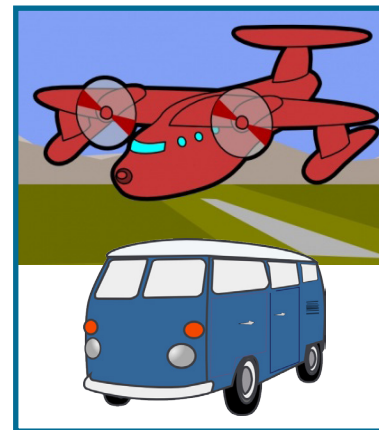
While used in a class to learn biology, releasing me to the wild is harmful for more than just me

classroom pets



I graze through rice plants without a care
And my bubble gum pink colored eggs let you know I'm there

Apple Snail



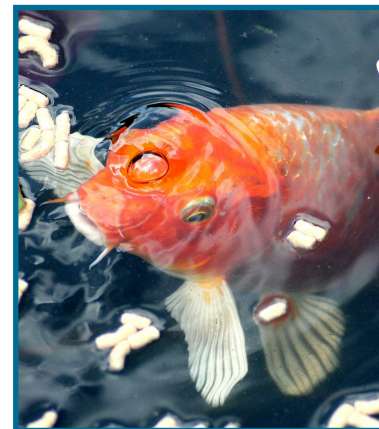
21st Century lets us travel worldwide, providing several methods for invasives to catch a ride

transportation pathways



They bred the perfect aquarium plant but when it got loose in the Mediterranean Sea it helped eliminate great biodiversity

Caulerpa



The pretty plants outside your home, can cause ugly results if allowed to roam.

gardens and ponds

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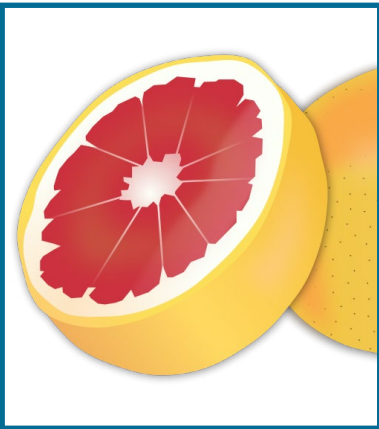
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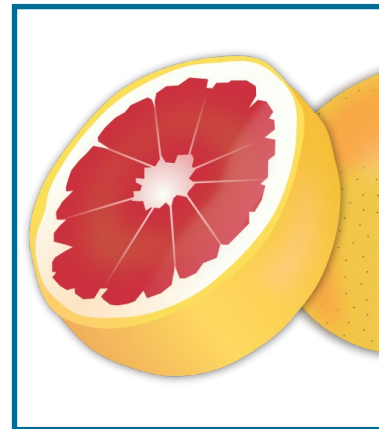
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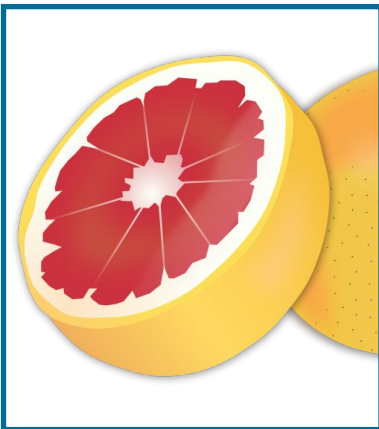
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insects and diseases
that impact the agriculture
of our states

imported foods



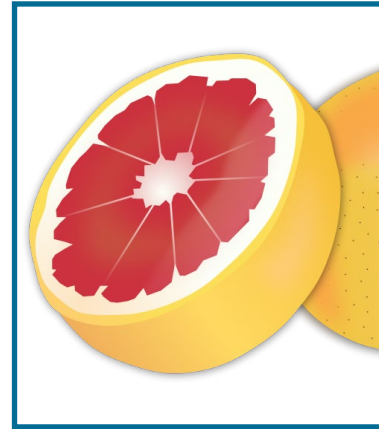
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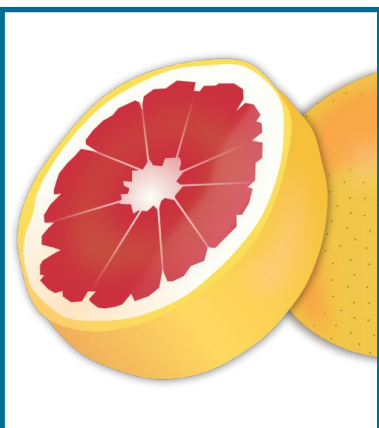
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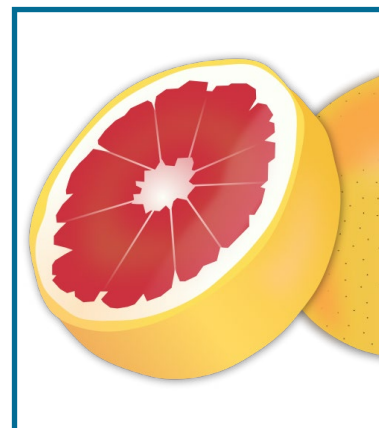
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