

# **Nature Quiz**

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**Plants on Brazoria County  
Beach and Dunes  
Bryan Beach and Quintana Beach**

# Species Quiz #1



## ■ Clues

- Has a Biblical alias
- Has dark brown seeds
- Found on dunes
- Blooms summer-fall
- Gluten free
- A real “super food”
- Is at the front of my alphabetized spices

# Species Quiz #2



- **Clues:**
  - **Might be mistaken for succulent**
  - **Flowers have 4 white petals and yellow center**
  - **AKA a saltwater condiment? (4 petals)**

# Species Quiz #3



- **Clues:**
  - **Migratory birds' shelter**
  - **Name is misleading**
  - **Often planted for shelter from wind and erosion**
  - **Invasive!!**
  - **Not in MY "hope chest!"**

# Species Quiz #4



## Clues:

- Makes a pretty snack
- Flowers have zero petals.
- Mistaken for Sedum, Crassula, or Portulaca
- Groundcover

# Species Quiz #5



## Clues:

- A beach nuisance
- Not a “plant” at all
- Home to crabs, shrimp and fish of same name
- Comes from an island “sea” in Atlantic

# Species Quiz #6



## ■ Clues:

- **Attracts butterflies**
- **Year-round bloomer**
- **“Here’s lookin’ at you, Big Blue.” (wink, wink)**
- **“He loves me, he loves me not.”**

# Species Quiz #7



- **Clues:**
  - **A year-round bloomer**
  - **Mostly serrated leaf margins; some smooth**
  - **AKA Golden Aster**
  - **Aroma like poison ivy lotion**



# Species Quiz # 1



- Answer
  - Gregg's Amaranth
  - *Amaranthus Greggii*
  - Also:  
Josiah's Amaranth  
(*Josiah Gregg*)

# Species Quiz # 2



Photo by P. Romfh

- Answer
  - Gulf Searocket
  - *Cakile maritima*

# Species Quiz # 3



Photo by P. Romfh

- Answer
  - Salt Cedar
  - *Tamarix ramosissima*

# Species Quiz # 4



Photo by D. Mudderman

- Answer
  - Shoreline Seapurslane
  - *Sesuvium portulacastrum*

# Species Quiz # 5



Photo by P. Romfh

- Answer
  - Sargassum Seaweed
  - *Sargassum species*

# Species Quiz # 6



Photo by P. Romfh

- Answer
  - Sea-ox-eye Daisy
  - *Borrichia frutescens*

# Species Quiz # 7

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- Answer
  - Camphor Daisy
  - *Rayjacksonia phyllocephala*