Grand Canyon is 6 million years old.
The Colorado River carved Grand Canyon in “only” the last six million years. This is a short time period compared to the age of the rocks in the canyon walls.

Touch a river polished rock.
This rock, brought from deep in the Grand Canyon, was shaped and eroded by the powerful Colorado River.

Imagine carving the canyon.
The Colorado River carves through solid rock. It carves away the thickness of a piece of paper each year. The canyon widens as cliffs fall down and side streams erode.

Walk six long steps.
These steps represent the 6 million years it has taken the Colorado River to carve Grand Canyon.