



An Alphabet Safari

Explore nearby and write a word that describes things you are seeing, hearing, smelling, or feeling for each letter of the alphabet.

Make a Sound Map

Find a quiet place to sit. In the area below, diagram where and what you hear - both natural and man-made sounds.























Be a Nature Photographer

Use a camera to see nature in different ways. Collect photos from different areas or the same area at different times of the year. Make your own nature memory book.



Rub Leaves

Collect different shapes of leaves from the ground and arrange them on a hard surface. Place a sheet of lightweight paper on top of them and rub lightly with different colors of chalk, holding the chalk sideways.



Create Nature Art

A few ideas that will get your creative juices flowing:

- Draw animals, plants, or natural scenes and make an album or hang them on the wall for a gallery.
- Collect acorns, sticks, leaves and other natural items from the ground and create collages or sculptures.



Make up a Scavenger Hunt

Scavenger Hunts are easy to make up. Look around you and make a list of 15-30 things that can be seen, touched, smelled or heard in the area. Make copies of the list and give each person one with a pencil. Then, you be the leader and watch your friends or family have fun with the game you created!

For example,

Can you see...an animal print, blue flower, or ant hill?
Can you touch...a rough tree trunk, smooth rock, hot sand?
Can you smell...something minty, something sweet, something nasty?
Can you hear...a bird, a dog, people camping?



Be an Author

Words are powerful ways to express yourself! After spending time outside, write a story about your experiences for others to enjoy. Make a collection of stories about different experiences at different places on different days. Or select a favorite spot of yours and write a story about that spot four times during the year, each of the four seasons.