

Explore Your World

Even if you don't live near the woods or a park, chances are there is nature around you.

You can explore nature in your world by simply sitting quietly and observing. Take the form below with you and sit outside for 10 minutes and write down or draw what you observe.

LOCATION:

DATE:

TIME:

WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE:

WHAT IS IT DOING?

- PLANT
- BIRD
- TREE
- INSECT
- MAMMAL
- OTHER

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

A Walk in the Woods

A forest is filled with some interesting things to see, hear, feel and do. But it isn't always possible to get to the woods. This week, **Kid Scoop** takes you on an adventure in the woods.

Animal Groups

What do you call a group of these woodland animals? Circle every other letter under each animal to discover the answer!

PORCUPINES

R A S P D R N I
R C Z K T L M E

A P

SQUIRRELS

D A L S M C O U
Y R K R T Y

SKUNKS

J A F S M U W R
P F Y E U I V T

FOXES

T A P L Q E N
A K S V H



Woods Watcher

Look closely at this picture of the woods. Can you find each of the following?

- mushroom
- bird's nest
- animal track
- spider web
- bird feather
- two caterpillars
- moss
- five butterflies
- acorn
- six ladybugs

Find the two identical camp scenes.



Extra! Extra!

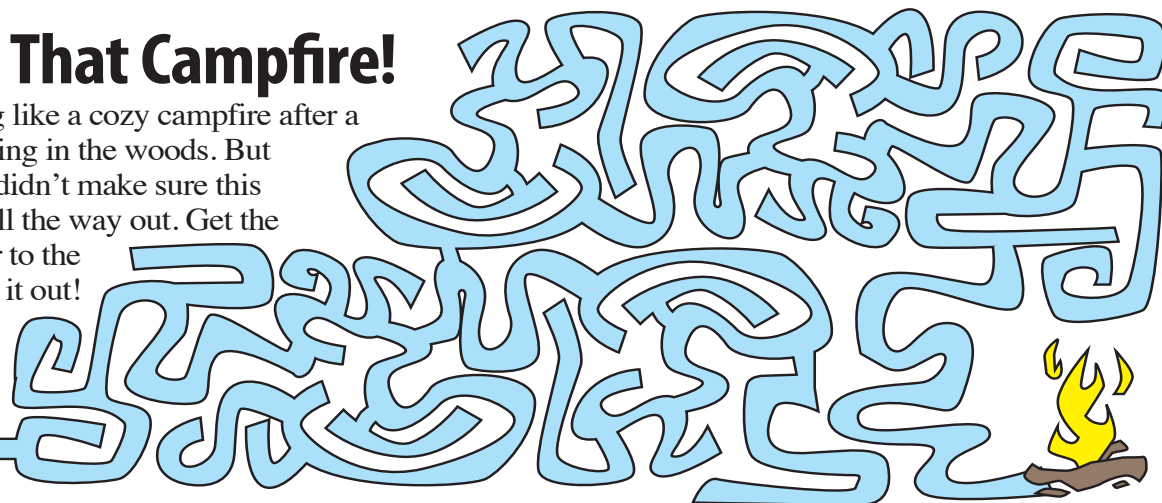
Woodsy Words

Look through the newspaper for five or more words that describe the woods. Put the words in ABC order.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Put words in alphabetical order.

Put Out That Campfire!

There's nothing like a cozy campfire after a long day of hiking in the woods. But some campers didn't make sure this campfire was all the way out. Get the bucket of water to the campfire to put it out!



Kid Scoop Puzzler

Who is walking in the woods?

Match each animal to its footprint. Do the math to check your answers.

deer 18 - 4	raccoon 19 - 6
bear 21 - 6	squirrel 23 - 7
rabbit 17 - 7	

Footprints: 10, 13, 14, 15, 16

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Kid Scoop Word Search

- ADVENTURE
- PORCUPINE
- MUSHROOM
- FEATHER
- SPIDER
- TRACK
- WOODS
- ACORN
- WOLF
- PINE
- TREE
- BIRD
- NEST
- DEER
- WEB

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.



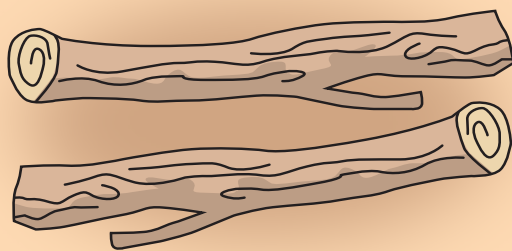
Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

Nature in the News

Look through the newspaper for news articles about the natural world. Is it good news or bad news? Write a letter to the editor telling your opinion about the natural-world news you discovered.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate info.



How do you start a campfire using just two pieces of wood?

ANSWER: Make sure one is a matchstick.

Write On!

A WALK IN THE FOREST

Imagine you are taking a walk in a forest. Describe the sights and sounds.



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