

Beavers My Adventure Challenge Award

Go On A Ramble Or Nature Walk With A Purpose

Scavenger Hunt With A Purpose[©]

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Overview

For part of this task the children are going to go on a scavenger hunt. Then they are going to make a Nature Craft with what they've found. Depending on how long you want your hunt to last and where you go will depend on whether you carry out the Nature Craft activity on the same week or carry it over to the following week.

Preparation & Materials Needed Before The Meeting

1. Let the children know that they are going to be going outside next week so they may need to bring a coat or something warm etc.
2. Decide where you are going to have your hunt. You really want to choose somewhere that has trees etc. Some parks don't have trees so there won't be a lot to find
3. You may need to arrange transport to a local park if your building isn't close to one
4. Use your necessary safety procedures and assign a leader to small groups. You may need to arrange some helpers to go with you
5. Print out copies of the scavenger hunt items found in this document you need a copy for each child, I have put two on one page to save paper
6. Prepare a plastic bag for each child to hold the items in that they find
7. Print out copies of the picture example sheet found in this document. You just need one per group of let's say 4 so they can get an idea of what they would like to make when they arrive back
8. Pencil per child

Directions/Leader Speak

1. **Speak** - Another task we are going to complete for our My Adventure Challenge Award is to go on a Nature Walk. I am going to give you a list of items I want you to find on your walk to bring back with you
2. **Speak** - When we get back you are going to make a Nature Craft out of some of the items that you find. This could be simply to decorate some twigs therefore it would be good to collect some interesting ones. You could also make some Nature people or Nature Insects. Here's some pictures of the types of things you could make with nature items
3. **Action** - Hand out the example crafts sheet
4. **Action** - Split your group into teams of 4 and assign an adult to each group
5. **Action** - Give a copy of the scavenger hunt list to each child and read through the items that you want the children to find so they understand what they are looking for. Explain that when they find each item they need to tick the tiny box beside the item name on their sheet
6. **Action** - Give each child their bag to carry their items in and get them to write their name on the bag
7. **Action** - Whilst on the hunt each leader should pick up some bits that they think will be good for the children's nature crafts also

My Scavenger Hunt Items

Name: _____

Find Something Soft ☐	Find Something Spiky ☐	Find Something Strong ☐
Find Something Beautiful ☐	Find Something Old ☐	Find Something Fragile ☐
Find Something Smooth ☐	Find Something Closed ☐	Find Something Open ☐
Find Something Red ☐	Find Something You think is amazing ☐	Find Something Rough ☐
Find Something Green ☐	Find Something Flat ☐	Find 3 Types Of Leaves ☐
Find some twigs you can make something with ☐	Find An Interesting Stone ☐	Find An Object Of Your Choice ☐



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Making Their Nature Craft

Overview

Now the children are going to use their Imagination to make something out of the nature materials they collected on their Scavenger hunt.

Preparation Before The Night

1. Have a couple of spare copies of the 'Nature Craft Ideas' sheet
2. Gather some materials to aid the creation of the nature crafts for example:
 - Crepe Paper
 - Cotton Wool
 - Felt Tips
 - Tape
 - String
 - Glue
 - Paints
 - Paintbrushes
 - Pipe cleaners
 - Paper
 - Scrap materials
 - Scrap wool
 - Anything you have in your box

Preparation On The Night

1. Layout a selection of materials on each table
2. Layout each child's scavenger hunt bag for them to collect

Leader Speak

Now/tonight we are going to make our nature craft out of the materials that you collected on your scavenger hunt. On your table I have put some materials for you to add to your craft to make it easier for you to make something. Use your Nature Craft Ideas picture sheet to give you some ideas on what to make.

Come and collect your bag of nature bits that you collected.

Instructions

1. Give the children 20-30 minutes to create something on their own
2. If the younger ones are really struggling give them some help

Nature Craft Ideas

