

# Nature Walk Activities



THE HOMESCHOOL  
COMPASS

# Animal Tracks



BIRD TRACKS  
2-2.5" long



MOOSE TRACKS  
5-7" long



DEER TRACKS  
2-3.5" long



CAT TRACKS  
1-2" long

KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR ANIMAL TRACKS  
IN THE SNOW AND DIRT

# My Nature Walk

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

WEATHER:



PLANTS: \_\_\_\_\_

ANIMALS: \_\_\_\_\_

DRAWING:

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for a drawing. To the left of the box, there is a decorative watercolor splash in shades of pink, orange, and blue.

# My Nature Walk

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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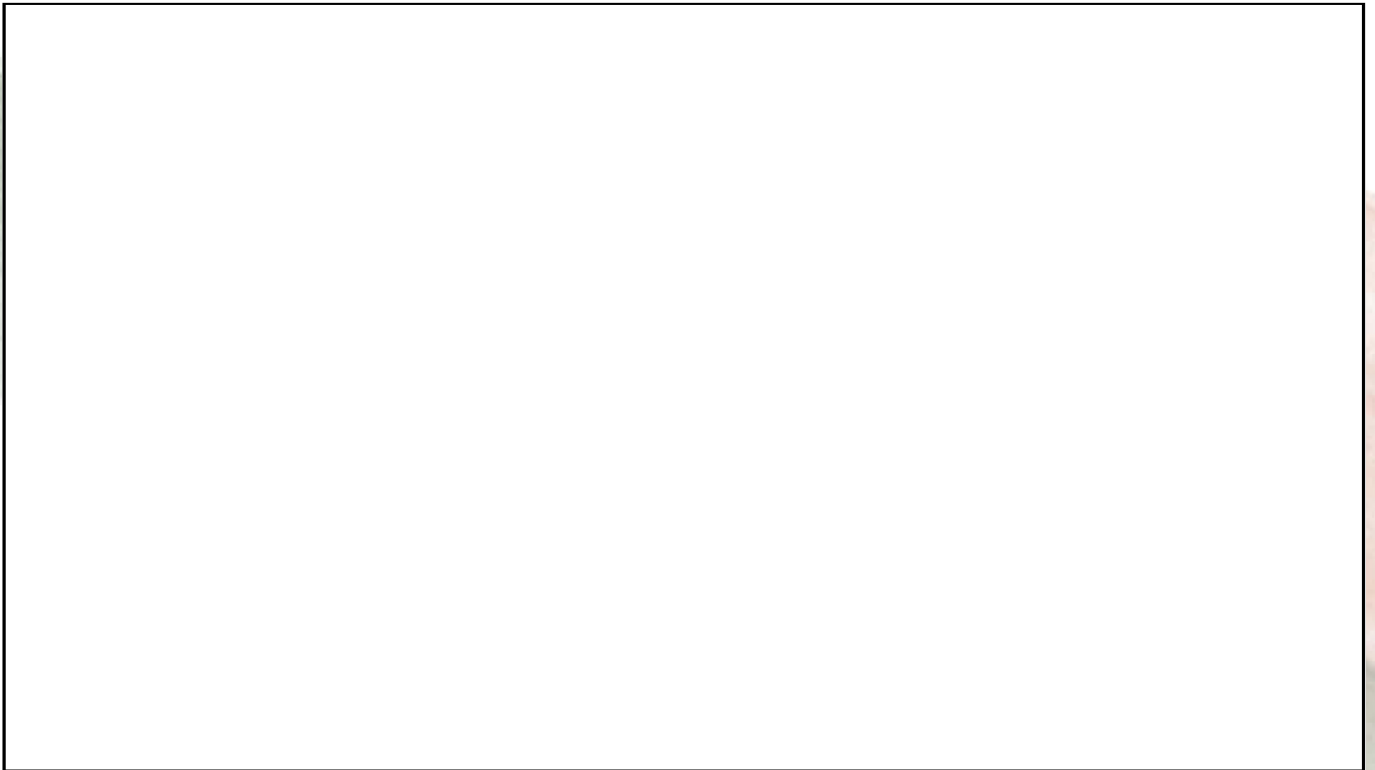
LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

WEATHER:     

PLANTS: \_\_\_\_\_

ANIMALS: \_\_\_\_\_

DRAWING:



# Using My Five Senses in Nature

WHAT DO YOU **SEE**?

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**DID YOU  
KNOW...**



Eagles, hawks,  
and owls have  
incredible vision.  
Hawks can see a  
field mouse from  
100 feet up in  
the air!



# WHAT DO YOU **HEAR**?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_



## **DID YOU KNOW...**

Moths have the best hearing in the world.

# WHAT DO YOU **SMELL**?

## **DID YOU KNOW...**

Bears have the best sense of smell of all terrestrial mammals and can smell 2,100 times better than a human! Black bears can even smell food from 18-20 miles away, and polar bears can smell through 3 feet of ice.



# WHAT DO YOU **TOUCH**?

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## **DID YOU KNOW...**

Male spiders can communicate with female spiders by sending vibrations, so when they feel someone else on their web, they know it is their mate and not prey.



## WHAT DO YOU **TASTE?**

Did you bring any snacks  
on your nature walk?

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## **DID YOU KNOW...**



Rabbits have 17,000 taste buds. They can even differentiate between sweet, bitter, sour, and salty tastes!



# Dandelion Play Dough Recipe

Collect dandelion blossoms on your nature walk and turn them into this vibrant yellow play dough

## INGREDIENTS:

- 2 cups dandelions
- 1 cup boiling water
- 2 cups flour
- 1/3 cup salt
- 2 tbsp. oil
- 1-2 tbsp. cream of tartar



## DIRECTIONS:

1. Boil the cup of water
2. Mix together the boiling water and dandelions in a blender.
3. Put mixture in a medium sized bowl. Stir in oil, salt, and cream of tartar, until salt is dissolved.
4. Stir in flour until consistency resembles a dough.
5. Knead and add flour as necessary if the dough is sticky.





# Trail Mix Recipe

Mix some of these ingredients to make the perfect snack for your nature walk! Each family member can make their own signature trail mix. What combination is your favorite?

1. Nuts (peanuts, almonds, cashews, walnuts, pistachios, pecans, etc.)

2. Granola

3. Chocolate chips or M&Ms

4. Dried fruit (cranberries, apricots, banana chips)

5. Pumpkin or sunflower seeds

6. Popcorn

7. Raisins

8. Mini marshmallows

9. Pretzel shapes

10. Goldfish

11. Cereal



# Symmetry Drawing



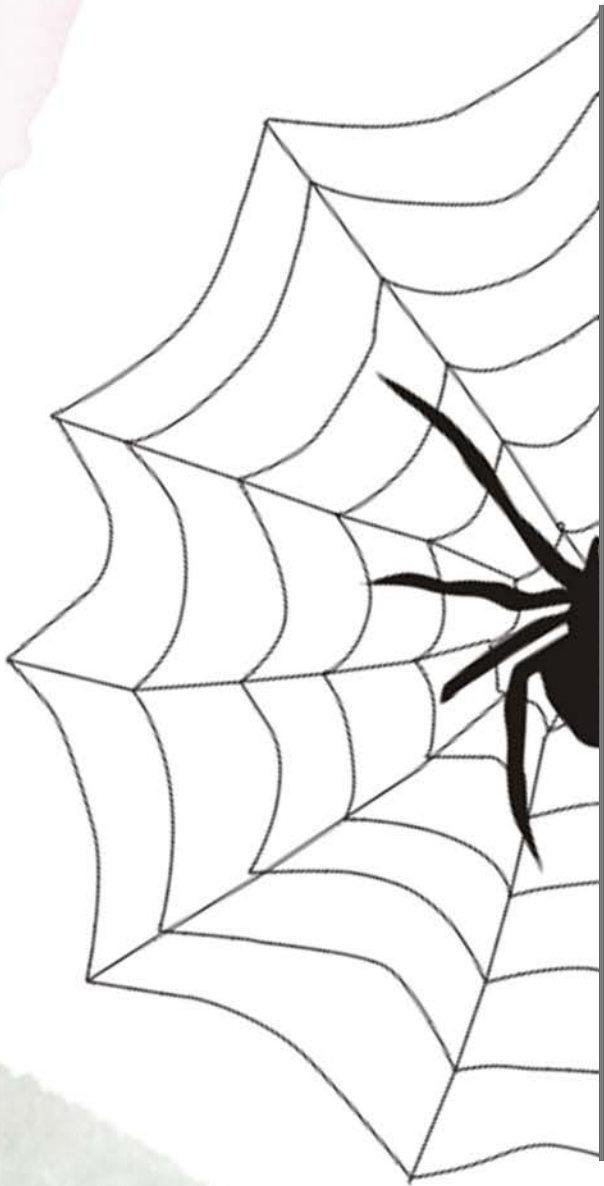
DRAW & COLOR THE  
OTHER HALF OF THE LEAF

# Symmetry Drawing



DRAW & COLOR THE OTHER  
HALF OF THE BUTTERFLY

# Symmetry Drawing



DRAW & COLOR THE OTHER  
HALF OF THE SPIDER WEB



# Hike Bingo:

## Spring



rock



leaf



purple flower



weasel



yellow flower



bunny



butterfly



frog



puddle



hornet



pink flower



mantis



mouse



ladybug



caterpillar



feather



worm



rainbow



nest



clover



mushroom



bird



beetle



dandelion

# Hike Bingo:

## Summer



web



mosquito



sunflower



strawberries



lily pad



beetle



bird



leaf



frog



ant



feather



worker bee



rock



bunny



duck



dandelion



cricket



clover



snake



fern



worm



squirrel



moth
























flower




























# Hike Bingo:

## Fall

 <p>red leaf</p>	 <p>chrysanthemum</p>	 <p>deer</p>	 <p>spider</p>	 <p>orange leaf</p>
 <p>bird</p>	 <p>moth</p>	 <p>pinecone</p>	 <p>feather</p>	 <p>squirrel</p>
 <p>fox</p>	 <p>pumpkin</p>	 <p>star</p>	 <p>mushroom</p>	 <p>yellow leaf</p>
 <p>acorn</p>	 <p>fly</p>	 <p>rock</p>	 <p>weasel</p>	 <p>goose</p>
 <p>sunflower</p>	 <p>raccoon</p>	 <p>apple</p>	 <p>brown leaf</p>	 <p>mouse</p>

# Hike Bingo:

## Winter

 <p>pine needles</p>	 <p>cardinal</p>	 <p>bird tracks</p>	 <p>pinecone</p>	 <p>berries</p>
 <p>spider</p>	 <p>acorn</p>	 <p>mouse</p>	 <p>rock</p>	 <p>deer</p>
 <p>bunny</p>	 <p>cat tracks</p>	 <p>star</p>	 <p>squirrel</p>	 <p>deer tracks</p>
 <p>snow</p>	 <p>raccoon</p>	 <p>feather</p>	 <p>moose tracks</p>	 <p>sparrow</p>
 <p>blue jay</p>	 <p>duck</p>	 <p>log</p>	 <p>mushroom</p>	 <p>goose</p>