

Outdoor Learning

Make a Bird Feeder / Butterfly Feed Station

Lots of ideas for providing food and water on RSPB website:

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/for-teachers/lesson-plans-and-supporting-resources/food-and-water-for-nature/>

Bird Watch

How many different birds can you see in 10 minutes?
Can you name them?

RSPB – identification

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/wildlife-guides/identify-a-bird/>

Be a Nature Detective

What can you spot in your garden?

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/for-teachers/lesson-plans-and-supporting-resources/spot-it/>

Build Homes for Nature

Can you collect sticks and stones and make your own mini-beast hotel? Lots of ideas on RSPB website.

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/for-teachers/lesson-plans-and-supporting-resources/homes-for-nature/>

I'm Going on a Bug Hunt....

How many mini-beasts can you find? What colour?
How many legs? Can you describe their appearance.

Perhaps you could write a **quiz/riddle** for your family –
What am I? I have 6 legs, 2 antennae and I eat aphids. I have black spots and red wings.

Make a Bug Catcher

Lots of different ideas on RSPB website:

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/for-teachers/lesson-plans-and-supporting-resources/detective-equipment/>

Make a Den

How creative can you be? What materials could you use? Is your den waterproof?

Fairy Houses or Gardens

Use sticks, cut grass, leaves etc. to make nests or tiny fairy houses.



Natural Art

Create a picture, inspired by the artist and photographer Andy Goldsworthy.

Use sticks to make a frame and then create your own picture or patterns inside with grass, leaves, sticks, petals etc.



Petal and Leaf People

Can you make pictures using leaves or petals?



Senses Challenge

Go outside – what can you see, smell, hear and smell?

What can you Hear?

Three minute timer – What can you hear? Write a list (animals, insects, vehicles, people talking, dogs barking, silence etc.).

Colour Hunt / Nature Walk

Double-sided tape onto a palette or piece of paper – see how many different coloured natural objects (leaves, petals, grasses) you can find. Try not to pick anything.

You could stick some tape onto a crown and make your very own nature crown with the things you collect.



Creative Collage

Take photos of different coloured flowers and plants – use these pictures to make a collage.

Nature Weaving

Wool or string wrapped around cardboard – weave in natural objects found in your garden or out on your walk.



Ice Painting

Use paints to create patterns and mix colours on ice.



Natural Numbers and Shapes

Can you collect natural objects and use them to create numbers or number sentences on the ground?

Perhaps you could use these objects to make shapes too!

Can you use sticks to create 3D shapes? How could you attach them together?

Create a Maths Trail

Write some cards for yourself or someone in your family to find/hunt for in the garden.

6 flowers

15 stones

10 leaves

5 smaller leaves

5 sticks longer than the leaves etc.

Can you create a picture with all the things you find? Who found their objects first? What was the hardest/easiest to find?

Mud Pies

Make a mud pie – write the recipe of what you made e.g. 2 cups of mud, a sprinkle of grass, 2 sticks etc. Get creative writing – maybe something magical happens when you 'eat' your magical, mud pie? Do you go on an adventure?

Shape Hunt

How many different 2D or 3D shapes can you find? Can you describe their properties? Why do you think they are that particular shape?

Freezing Fun

Freeze fruit or flowers/leaves in ice – how long does it take to melt?

Exploring Shadows and Time

Draw around your shadow/shadow of an object in the same place at different times of the day – what do you notice? Why?

<p align="center"><u>Plant Investigation</u></p> <p>What do plants need to grow? What happens if they do not have water, sunlight and warmth? How could you find this out?</p>	<p align="center"><u>Parts of a Flower / Tree</u></p> <p>Can you spot all these features? Can you draw a picture of the flower and label its parts? (petal, leaf, stem, root)</p> <p>Can you identify some of the trees and flowers in your garden?</p>
<p align="center"><u>Shadow Labelling</u></p> <p>Can you draw around your shadow and label the different parts of your body?</p>	<p align="center"><u>Make a Bubble Potion</u></p> <p>Fill different sized/shaped containers with water and washing up liquid to make a bubbly potion. Which containers hold the most/least? Can you order them from full to empty or most to least?</p>
<p align="center"><u>Make your own Weather Station</u></p> <p>Collect and measure rainwater in an empty bottle or make a wind sock.</p>	<p align="center"><u>Weather Diary</u></p> <p>Keep a diary of the weather/temperature where you live. Compare to a different place around the world e.g. Africa and the Arctic.</p>
<p align="center"><u>Reading Den</u></p> <p>Can you create a reading den In your garden?</p>	<p align="center"><u>Writing / Spelling</u></p> <p>Practise your phonics/spellings or writing your common exception words using chalks or water and paintbrushes.</p> <p>You could also write and work out answers to number sentences in this way too!</p>
<p align="center"><u>Stick Man</u></p> <p>Collect some sticks and make your own Stick Man family – can you re-tell the story?</p> 	<p align="center"><u>Building Challenge</u></p> <p>Can you build a tower using just sticks and stones – what works best to make the most solid and stable tower?</p>
<p align="center"><u>Make an Obstacle Course</u></p> <p>Can you create your own obstacle course – how long does it take to complete the course? Can you improve on your time?</p>	<p align="center"><u>2-Minute Time Challenge</u></p> <p>How many times can you throw and catch in 2 minutes? How many star jumps? How many goals can you score in 2 minutes?</p>