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NATURE JOURNAL



MATERIALS

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Your choice of journaling tools!
- Some ideas:
 - Notebook / paper
 - Tools to write with: pencil, markers
 - Tools to draw with: pastels, paint
 - Camera / phone
 - Collecting bag
 - Field guides
 - Magnifying glass



Stop and smell the roses! Or in this case, stop, look, and journal about nature. Your journal could include sketches, questions, notes or photographs. There are no rules!



BIG QUESTION

What observations can we make about nature?



Step by step activity instructions on next page.



BONUS QUESTIONS!

What questions do you have about your journal entry? Where can you find the answers?



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PREPARE YOUR SUPPLIES

Gather your journaling supplies. You may want to put them in a bag for easy carrying.



GO FOR A NATURE WALK

Go on a nature walk. Keep your eyes and ears open for things to journal about!

JOURNAL!

Choose something to observe and begin investigating. Use your senses to observe!

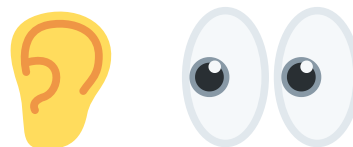


Depending on what you choose to observe, begin writing or drawing in your journal or collect samples, take pictures and journal at home.

JOURNAL PROMPTS

There are no rules to making a nature journal. If you'd like some help to get started, check out our list of prompts below!

- Where did you find this? What do you see / hear close by and far away?



- What time is it?
- What is the weather like?
- What does it look like?
- Where does it live? What is its **habitat**?
- Does it have any unique characteristics?
- What can you feel? What is the texture of this object?
- Draw the object in your notebook.
- Create **rubbings*** of non-toxic materials.
- What do you already know about this? What questions do you have?

Explore vocabulary like **habitat** and **rubbings** in our other #YGKMuseumFromHome PDFs:

- [Become a Field Naturalist!](#)
- [Let's Explore Textures!](#)