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BE A FIELD NATURALIST!

MATERIALS

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- A notebook or paper to document your sightings
- Pencil

Extra:

- Binoculars or a microscope
- Nature guide (such as an ID book)
- A camera

WHAT IS A HABITAT?

A habitat is the natural home or environment of an animal, insect, plant or human.

This activity is inspired by our education programs at the MacLachlan Woodworking Museum.

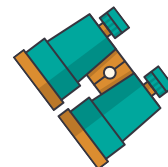
Programs focus on some of the following topics:

- Habitats
- Biodiversity
- Design & Building

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Field naturalists identify plants, animals, insects and rocks. They like to share their information and educate others. Let's be field naturalists by exploring the nature near us!



BIG QUESTION

What habitats are around us?



Step by step activity instructions on next page.



BONUS QUESTIONS!

What makes a good habitat?
How do humans, animals, insects, and plants live together? How do they help each other?



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OBSERVE & ASK QUESTIONS

1. If possible, go on a nature walk outside. Be present in nature - smell the air, watch animals or touch the grass. If you're not able to go outside, check out [this live camera](#) channel and bring nature to you!

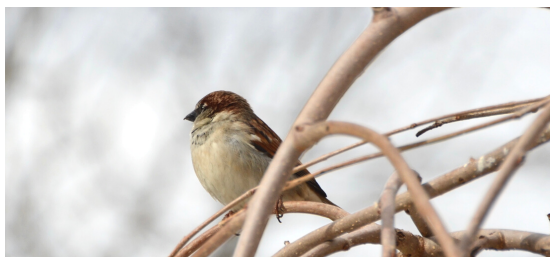


2. Ask questions. What sounds do you hear? What do you smell? Where are those sounds/smells coming from?



DRAW OR TAKE A PICTURE

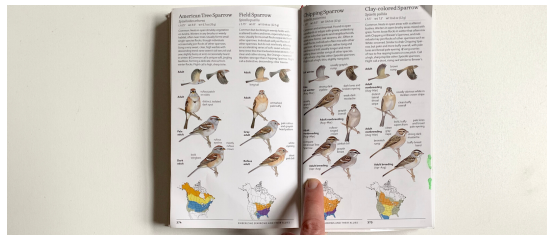
3. Draw or take a picture to document your sighting.



Questions to ask yourself:
What do you think you saw?
What did it look like? Where did you see it? What was it doing?

IDENTIFY, DISCUSS & SHARE

4. Use an identification guide to help ID your picture.



5. Share your picture with the MacLachlan Woodworking Museum.



Tip: You can use apps on a device to share your sightings or see sightings in your area. A popular and free app is iNaturalist.

Extend:

Recreate your sighting. Use a pencil and paper to draw a more detailed sketch of your sighting. Or, use modeling clay and sculpt your sighting. Remember to include details about its habitat!

