

Scavenger Hunt

Outdoor Activities

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WHAT MAKES IT MEANINGFUL

- To learn about sights and sounds in my community
- To become familiar with my community
- To identify what I see in my community, or at my local park
- To choose objects that represent different things in my community such as objects found in nature

TIME

The scavenger hunt can be a short walk of 15 minutes or a longer hike around the community.

MATERIALS

Objects found in my community, such as signs, stores, service helpers, public buildings, or things in nature, such as leaves, stones, pinecones, etc.

- Introduce community walk (example) to the local park and discuss things that we will see at the park; trees, birds, grass, etc.
- While on walk, point out and discuss things along the way
- Encourage each person to choose at least 3 objects when they are in the park
- Have each person do a “show and tell” with what they brought from the park and place the items away to use for an art piece later in the week.

It’s meaningful because a community scavenger hunt helps us to learn about what is in our community and become familiar with sights, sounds and people in our neighbourhoods.



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INSTRUCTIONS

- Have a small group of people, with at least 1 to 2 staff
- Pick a location to travel to, a park, or public building, etc

Use prompting questions such as:

- What kinds of things do you think we will see at the park?
- Point out things like a stop sign, grocery store and ask them to identify what you are pointing at.
- At the park ask them to choose items that are on the ground that represent nature. What did you choose?
- Can you share your nature object. Tell us something about what you chose. The colour, shape?

RESOURCES

Helpful links about community

<https://www.yumpu.com/en/document/view/27205185/ontariotravel-ontario-tourism>

<https://www.authentikcanada.com/ca-fr/guides-voyage/office-tourisme-toronto>

<https://www.planetware.com/tourist-attractions-/ontario-cdn-on-on.htm>

SUPPORTS NEEDED

Decide on your place that will be your destination of your scavenger hunt.

Best to have 2 or more participate in this activity.

OTHER THINGS TO NOTE:

If needed, plan a scavenger hunt in your backyard or at your home and then move into the community.

