

# Let's Go Hunting



**THE WORLD** is full of things to discover. All you have to do is look and listen! Next time you're bored, go on one of these "hunts" with your friends or family.

## Alphabet Hunt

Sometimes things in nature look like letters of the alphabet. For example, many twigs and tree trunks are shaped like a "Y." If you look carefully, you can find lots of different letter shapes in nature.



Take a cell phone or camera outside on a nice day. Look at plants and trees through the viewfinder to find letter shapes. Take pictures of the letters you discover. Go hunting with a friend or with your family and see if you can find all 26 letters of the alphabet!

## Nature Hunt

If you're taking a trip to a park or a forest, plan a nature scavenger hunt! First, make a list of things you might find. Your list could include things like these:

- » A bird
- » An animal
- » Something red
- » A yellow flower
- » A bug
- » A spiderweb
- » A bumpy rock
- » A squirrel

Before you go, print one copy of your list for each person. Then see who can find all the things on the list. Check them off with a pencil or take a picture of them with a camera.



## Sound Hunt

Not close to a park or forest? This is a great hunt to do in a city. Grab a friend or family member and find a comfortable place to sit. Then make a list of all the sounds you hear. The quieter you are, the more sounds you will discover. Listen for things like these:

- » dog barking
- » bird singing
- » phone ringing
- » person talking
- » door shutting
- » siren
- » wind blowing
- » car starting
- » music playing

Whenever you hear a sound, write it down. After 15 minutes, compare lists. Who discovered the most sounds? What was the most interesting sound you heard? **B**



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