# Camp Fire

MINNESOTA

# My nature connection

Outdoor Bingo GRADE LEVEL: K+TIME: 30-40 min.

## WHAT IS NATURE?

When you think of nature, what do you picture in your head? Do you think of packing your bags and heading to the woods or trekking through the mountains? The good news is, we don't have to go that far to see and experience nature. Just outside your window, there are many signs of nature from the birds you hear, the bugs you see, and even the little bits of grass that grow through cracks in the sidewalk.

#### WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Outdoor clothes
- Comfortable shoes
- Attached Bingo board (or paper to make your own)
- Pen or pencil

## ACTIVITY (30-40minutes)

### 1.INTRODUCTION

Today we will play a game that will help you and your family explore the outdoors near where you live. You will be on a mission to find and enjoy different parts of your neighborhood – even the things that are not considered nature. Give your family some time to have fun and relax in the fresh air.

# Setting:

Outdoor activity for neighborhoods, backyards, or parks

Indoor alternative available

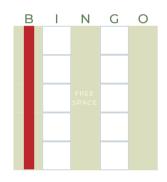
#### 2. INSTRUCTIONS

First, print off one or more of the bingo boards on pages 3-6. If you do not have a printer available, you can save or screenshot the photos to your device and access them while outside. The whole family can share one bingo card or each member can pick a different one. With your family, go for a walk around your neighborhood or to a local park. If you are sharing one bingo board, work together to see how many of the outdoor items you can find. Once you see an item, cross it off on your paper.



If you are each using a different board, see who can mark off the items they see and get a bingo (5 in a row either up and down, across, or diagonally) first. If everyone gets a bingo, feel free to keep going and trying different variations – maybe even getting the entire board crossed out.









## 3. CREATE YOUR OWN BINGO BOARD

What is special or unique about where you live? Maybe you have a certain kind of plant or tree that you love to look at. Maybe there is a family of bunnies that you always see scurrying around your neighbor's yard. For a fun creative activity, create your own bingo board that you can use to guide your walk around your neighborhood. You can use some of the ideas from the example board and fill in the rest that you think you will see. If you can not get outdoors, create one for inside where you live. You can include things you might see throughout your home including the kitchen and living room.

# **OUTDOOR BINGO**

G FENCE CRAWLING **BLACK** SQUIRREL CLOUD BUG BIRD FIRE BUTTERFLY FLOWER STICK LEAF HYDRANT HOUSE **FLYING** CAR GRASS FREE BUG SPACE BODY OF PERSON WORM DOG STOP SIGN WATER/ PUDDLE **STOP** COLORFUL BIKE PINE ROCK DECIDUOUS (LEAFY) TREE BIRD CONE

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BIKE



DECIDUOUS



FLYING BUG





BUTTERFLY



SQUIRREL



**BODY OF** WATER/



FLOWER



DOG



CRAWLING BUG



FREE SPACE

STICK

HOUSE



CAR



FIRE **HYDRANT** 



STOP SIGN



CONIFEROUS (EVERGREEN)



PERSON





**BLACK** 



PINE CONE



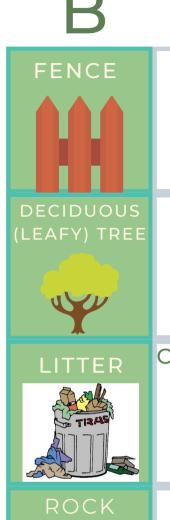
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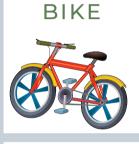






























CONIFEROUS (EVERGREEN) TREE













BINGO



# CREATE YOUR OWN BOARD

