



LEADER INFORMATION

Woodland Explorer Area

Welcome to the Woodland Explorer Area. Your unit has use of Nuthatch Campsite, Mole Hill Shelter and the Woodland Explorer area.

All activity resources are in the bench storage seats within each of the **FIVE zones** to explore:

HEDGEHOG – the first area as you enter, the activity resources are in the bench.

Activities:

- Challenge participants to play O's & X's using the wooden sets in the baskets & the canes to create the board.
- Have a go at the creating your own leaf animal, ideas on the activity card.
- Go on a leaf hunt using the activity cards provided.
- Go twig and tree spotting using the activity cards provided.
- Test you tree knowledge with the Tree's Top Trumps set.
- Try bark rubbing with tips on the activity card.

OWL – in the middle on the left, the activity resources for Owl, Wasp & Dragonfly zones are in the bench in the central area.

- Complete the work sheet on matching the animal tracks to the animal they belong to.
- Hang up the wooden discs with the animal tracks on the wooden branches. Now challenge participants to match the correct animal to its track.
- There are 2 baskets of wooden discs with eyelets, these have different numbers and symbols on them, set some easy or tricky maths challenges for everyone to have a go at.

DRAGONFLY – in the middle on the right.

Activities:

- Challenge participants to fill the 2 counting planks. Have a look at the activity board to get some ideas. Try a colours theme, or shapes, soft or spikey, leaves, twigs or a mix of these ideas.
- Try our woodland word search too.

WASP – in the middle second on the left

Activities:

- Place the 3 wooden Lifecycle Boards on the brightly coloured pallets, ask participants to look at the lifecycle's signs, leaders may need to explain some of the content for younger ones. There are 5 pouches each containing the lifecycle stages of 5 different plants, animals or insects. Within each pouch are 5 wooden discs – 4 show the lifecycle stages and 1 is the answer. Challenge participants to put each lifecycle in the correct order then check with the answer disc.
- Empty out the crate of wooden discs with leaf shapes and names painted on them – challenge participants to match them up correctly, if you are struggling there are clues in Mole Hill Shelter and the Outdoor classroom.

FAIRYTALE CORNER – the far end over the stepping stones, activity resources are in the bench.

Activities:

- Complete the activity sheets on Fairy Tales – What's the Word? Choose the answer and write a story!
- Use the Tell a Tale hand puppets (jester, dragon, fairy, horse & rider, granny, knight on a horse, knight, wolf & Snow White) to challenge participants to create their own story or act out a story from the Fairy Tales book provided.
- Complete the Fairy Tale Challenge Cards.

The cost is £3 per person using the Woodland Explorer Area including the badge.

Badges are NOT sold separately.

Please ensure all resources are returned back to the correct storage bench in a clean and tidy condition as you would like to find them. Cleaning materials are in each bench. Please report any issues to your Warden.

The AED machine access code is 1910.

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