



Nature Walk CHALLENGE

IN CELEBRATION OF EARTH MONTH, GET OUTSIDE AND ACTIVELY EXPLORE NATURE!

Complete **one or more** of our **ten Nature Walks** and submit to SRTS for entry into our drawing for a \$50 gift card to a local restaurant of your choice. Each submitted Nature Walk is an entry into our drawing. Walks can take place anywhere outdoors, whether in nature, in your neighborhood, or in your own backyard!

Entries may be submitted via email at saferoutes@bikesonoma.org or mailed to Safe Routes to School, Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition, PO Box 3088, Santa Rosa, CA 95402.

You must include your name, grade, homeroom teacher, and school with each entry.

SUBMIT BY MONDAY, MAY 3RD, 2021.



PHOTO WALK

Take pictures of 5–10 natural items that you found interesting on your walk.

Make a numbered list describing the pictures you took OR submit your 5–10 pictures!

Example: rock shaped like a heart, white daisy with yellow center

Pictures should be taken by the student.



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OPPOSITES

As you explore, look for examples of the opposites listed here — or come up with 5–10 of your own! Tell us which opposites you found.

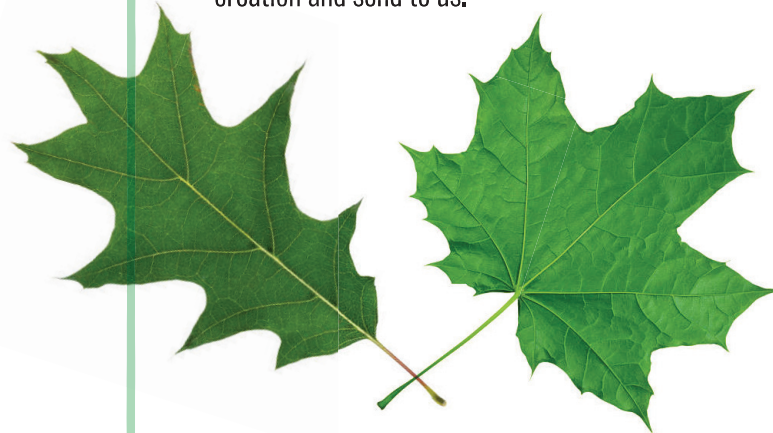
Copy this list of opposites and describe what you found for a minimum of 5 of them.

1. wet/dry
2. heavy/light
3. soft/hard
4. smooth/rough
5. long/short
6. huge/tiny
7. loud/silent
8. black/white
9. full/empty
10. natural/human-made

LEAF WALK

Collect as many different leaves as you can find on your walk. Then, either identify the leaves OR create something with your collected leaves such as a leaf rubbing, a design, a leaf wreath, or another creation of your choice.

Draw pictures of the leaves you collected and identify each leaf OR take a picture of your leaf creation and send to us.



COLOR WALK

Make a list of colors (the rainbow would be a good starting point) to find on your walk. Document them by taking pictures OR making a list and describing what you found.

You may use our color list OR create your own of 5–10. Either describe what you saw in each color OR send us pictures of what you saw.

1. red
2. pink
3. orange
4. yellow
5. green
6. light blue
7. dark blue
8. violet
9. black
10. white



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ADOPT-A-TREE

Take a walk around your neighborhood or a local park and take particular notice of the trees. Choose your favorite tree to get better acquainted with, and share what you discovered with us! You may wish to continue checking up on your tree from time to time in the future and finding out even more about it.

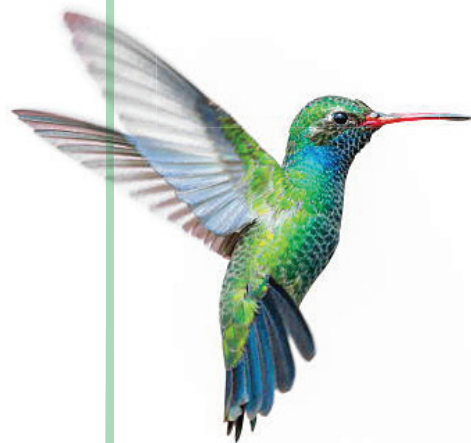
Send us the following information about your adopted tree:

1. Location
2. Describe the tree
3. What does the bark look like?
4. Why did you choose this tree?
5. What type of tree is it?
6. Draw a picture of, do a bark rubbing, OR take a photo of your tree.

LISTENING

Take a walk and just listen. You don't have to gather anything, but make note of what you hear when you hear it so you can write it down, either while you are walking or when you get home.

Make a numbered list describing 5-10 sounds you heard on your walk.



FLOWER BLOOM

As you explore, observe flowers in bloom. Take photographs of as many different flowers as you like, or choose your favorite or favorites to draw a picture of. Please do not pick flowers without permission.

Submit 5-10 flower photographs OR submit one drawing of your favorite flower or flowers.



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CLEAN-UP

You will need a plastic bag to collect trash, sturdy gloves, and (optional) a pick-up stick and/or separate bag for recyclables. On your walk, clear out litter from a section of park, beach, or your own neighborhood or yard.

IMPORTANT: Take all necessary precautions including wearing gloves, being extra careful near roads, and avoiding sharp or unknown items. Be sure to properly dispose of all litter.

Answer the following questions:

1. Did you find a lot of litter?
2. How much did you collect? (optional: send us a picture of the litter you collected)
3. What kind of litter did you see most often? What could be done to help with that problem?
4. Why is it important to pick up litter?
5. What other ways can we take care of the spaces where we live?

BUG/FAIRY HOUSE

Collect natural specimens on your walk (leaves, grass, bark, rocks, branches, flowers that are ok to pick, etc). Then, build a fairy or bug house with it.

Take a picture of your bug or fairy house and email it to us!



LOVE OUR CREATURES

Make a list or take pictures of all the living creatures you see on your walk — dogs, cats, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish, or bugs.

Make a numbered list and describe OR send us pictures of 5–10 living creatures you observed.

