

# The "I'M BORED!"

## Nature Explorer Hunt



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 Find a tree with a leaf bigger than your hand and identify it.	 Find a fungus and draw it.	 Find a spider or spider web and note what you think is cool about it.	 Find a flower and give it the silliest name you can think of. Then find out what its real name is.	 Identify a natural or manmade hazard outdoors. Talk with a grown-up about why you think it's unsafe.
 Find and identify a mammal.	 Take a selfie or draw yourself with a tree.	 Find a seed, nut or acorn and write what you think it will grow into.	 Find a plant with a leaf smaller than your big toe and write about its color.	All this exploring is making you hungry! Eat a healthy snack and drink water.  
 Find a bug and watch it move. How many legs? Does it have wings? What's it called?	 Go outside, sit down, and close your eyes for 5 minutes and listen. Afterward, tell about everything you could hear.	 Find a bird and write down what color it was and what it was doing when you saw it.	 Go for a walk with a grown-up and, if it's safe, pick up 3 pieces of litter to throw away properly.	Tell a story about your favorite thing you learned on this list and tell why it's your favorite. 

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 Draw your favorite animal and give it the silliest name you can think of.	 Find four different leaves and find out what plant or tree they are from.	 Find any evidence of an animal.	 Find out how tall you are. Then, figure out how many of you it would take to be as tall as a 50-foot pine tree.	 Find an amphibian or reptile and find out where it lives and what it eats.
Go outside on a clear night and look for the moon. Draw what shape it is in and find out what that phase is called. 	 Find a young or juvenile plant or animal and try to identify it.	 On a rainy day, put a cup outside to collect water. After the rain, use a ruler to measure how deep the water in your cup is.	Go for a walk with a grown-up and, if it's safe, pick up 5 pieces of litter to throw away properly. 	 Find 2 trees with different bark and feel each one. Describe what they feel like and how they differ.
 Write down what the weather outside is like and how it makes you feel.	 Go outside and listen for a bird. See if you can find it based on its sound. What kind of bird is it?	All this exploring is making you hungry! Eat a healthy snack and drink water.  	 Find an ant and watch it for a whole minute. Then, draw the ant what you saw it do in that minute.	 Tell a story about your favorite thing you learned on this list and tell why it's your favorite.

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*Set your printer to 2-sided printing and cut at this line for each card*

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