


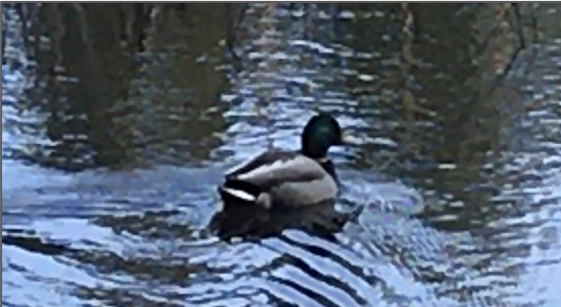
# Nature Exploration

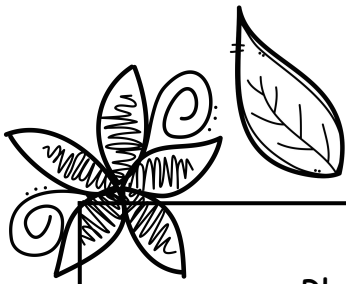
We are incredibly lucky to live in such a wonderful place with magnificent wildlife all around us. Part of the BC Curriculum for both kindergarten and grade one is the observation and naming of local plant and animals. I have designed an activity to encourage students to get outside, be active, and explore their local environment. This activity can be completed in one's own backyard, while walking through the neighbourhood, or during a forest or beach walk. **Please remember to safe safe and keep a healthy distance if choosing to go for a walk in a public place.**

While outside take pictures of, or draw, interesting plants and animals that you see. When you get back inside ask for some help in researching what you saw. Try and figure out if the plant or animals that you saw are native to the area (vs introduced). Try and find the name of the plant or animal. To extend your learning you could even learn some fun facts about the plant or animal.

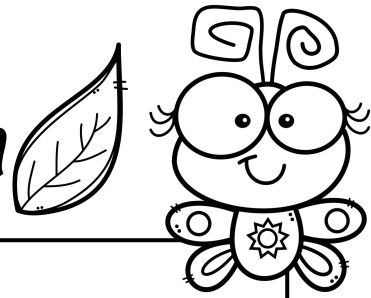
A template is provided on the next page, however, this activity can easily be done using paper from home. Alternatively, you can make this a paperless activity by answering the questions orally.

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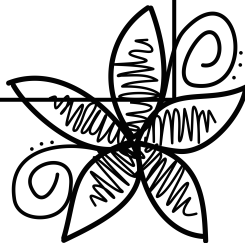
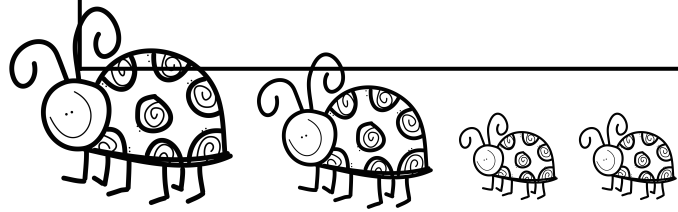
Plant or animal	Is it local?	What is it's name?	Fun Fact!
	No, it is an invasive species	Cytisus Scoparius AKA Scotch Broom	Scotch broom grows to 1-3 metres in height
	Yes	Mallard Duck	Mallards are "dabbling ducks," a cute term that means they feed by floating on the water and tipping themselves forward, butts in the air, to graze on underwater plants or grab insects.



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# Nature Scavenger Hunt

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

FERN 	PINECONE 	FLOWERS 	BERRIES 	JAGGED LEAF 
SPIDERWEB 	TREE WITH MOSS 	MUSHROOM 	EARTH WORM 	ACORN 
SMOOTH STONE 	FEATHER 	TREASURE 	LITTER 	ANIMAL TRACKS 
FLYING INSECT 	FALLEN BRANCH 	SOLID LEAF 	TREE STUMP 	BIRD'S NEST 
PUDDLE 	SNAIL SHELL 	SQUIRREL 	WEED 	SUNSHINE 