

I spy with my little eye



Binoculars at the ready – what treasures can you find in the park?

We love to plot adventures large and small, from making a map of all the animals that live in your neighbourhood, to building a cosy den on a rainy day, to constructing works of art from natural materials you can find in your local park. From time to time, we'll share some of our favourite activities for you to enjoy – and we hope you'll share your wonderful days and discoveries with us, too. (Just tag us on Instagram @fannyandalexander or use the hashtag #fannyandalexander, if you'd like.)

Step 1. Pack your explorer's bag.

- Binoculars (Fanny & Alexander's are perfect for young botanists and ecologists, but you could make yourself a simple pair by glueing two cardboard tubes together, too – just add a ribbon so you can loop them around your neck.)
- Printed 'I spy' log – ask an adult to print ours for you.
- Pen or marker to record your finds.
- Snacks (Chocolate milk and a few berries are our current favourites.)
- Collector's pouch (A large envelope, small cloth purse or old tin will all be just fine. If you happen to have the burlap pouch we used to wrap our toys in for shipping, this is ideal, too!)

Step 2. To the park!

Let's go – your favourite park, playground, or garden is perfect.

Step 3. Record your discoveries.

Peering through your binoculars to scour horizons near and far, see how many of the treasures listed below you can find. Mark off each one you see, and if you like, save the most special of all in your collector's pouch for further study or display at home.

Can you see a...

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|  <p>Bird singing its sweet tune?</p> | |  <p>Stick perfect for using as a cane?</p> | |  <p>Patch of small flowers perfect for a daisy chain?</p> | |
| <p>Face in a funny place?</p> | <p>Fluttery feather?</p> |  <p>Bird's cosy nest?</p> | | <p>Piece of writing?</p> <p>Hint: you might spy a piece of newspaper, or a car with a sign on it, or initials carved into a tree...</p> | |
|  <p>Snail's silvery trail?</p> | | <p>Puddle reflecting the sky above?</p> |  <p>Beautiful butterfly?</p> | |  <p>Perfectly smooth stone?</p> |
|  <p>Caterpillar's cocoon?</p> |  <p>Friendly dog taking a stroll?</p> | | <p>Funny-shaped cloud?</p> | <p>Child you don't know, who you'd like to say 'hello' to?</p> |  <p>Spider's finely spun web?</p> |
| | |  <p>Glossy green leaf?</p> | | | |

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