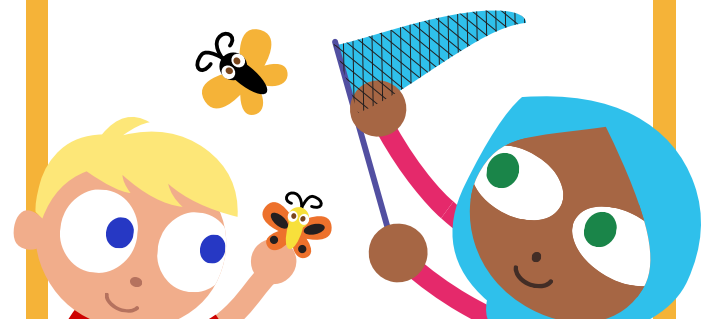




# Explore the Outdoors

## Teach Your Way

The world is full of possibilities and so are your students! Inspire their curiosity each day with the activities, printables, and videos below. Create “anytime” moments of playful learning with resources from [pbslearningmedia.org](https://pbslearningmedia.org), [pbskids.org](https://pbskids.org), and the **PBS KIDS Video app**.

THEME	Collection	Video	Digital Game	Document	Activity	Family Time	Explore More
<b>Curious Explorers</b>	<b>ELINOR WONDERS WHY</b> Join Elinor, Ari, and Olive as they follow their natural curiosity and seek out answers using their science inquiry skills.	<b>Bodies of Water   ROSIE'S RULES</b> Rosie explores a national park to find out the differences between a creek, a river and a lake.	<b>Nature Sights &amp; Sounds   ELINOR WONDERS WHY</b> Invite your students to make their own music nature scenes with Elinor.	<b>Observing Nature Packet   PBS KIDS</b> Build a home-to-school connection and share activity packets for <b>PreK-K</b> or <b>grades 1-2</b> .	<b>What patterns in nature can you name?</b>	<b>Explore Nature on a Walk   DANIEL TIGER'S NEIGHBORHOOD</b> Plan a walk with your students to look for leaves, bugs, stones, and squirrels!	<b>Teaching Early Science with the Changing Seasons Collection   PBS KIDS Self-Paced Learning</b> Explore ways to integrate media-rich lesson plans in your classroom.
<b>All About Plants</b>	<b>Changing Seasons: Spring</b> Introduce your students to the parts of a plant, seeds, and about how plants grow through media clips, extension activities, articles, and crafts.	<b>Rooting for Plants   NATURE CAT</b> Your students will learn the basic parts of plants (roots, stems, leaves, flowers, and seeds) and their functions.	<b>Pond Life   ELINOR WONDERS WHY</b> Students can create their own pond ecosystems and see what creatures and plants grow.	<b>What's the Same? What's Different?   ELINOR WONDERS WHY</b> Students will research how a cactus plant is different from other plants.	<b>Choose one animal and one plant. How are they alike? How are they different?</b>	<b>Meet the Trees   THE CAT IN THE HAT KNOWS A LOT ABOUT THAT</b> Help your students learn about trees and the animals that use them.	<b>Parts of a Plant   NATURE CAT</b> Explore with your students the parts of a plant—from leaves, to the stem, to petals, even to seeds!
<b>Animals</b>	<b>NATURE CAT</b> Enjoy exploring the outdoors with the Nature Cat crew!	<b>The Awesome Opossum   WILD KRATTS</b> Come learn about opossums on an adventure in the Florida cypress swamps.	<b>Creature Photoshoot   WILD KRATTS</b> Travel through the world's different environments and snap photos of wildlife with the Wild Kratts.	<b>Graphic Organizers   WILD KRATTS</b> Channel your inner 'Creature Power' and use these learning resources to capture facts about animals in <b>English</b> and <b>Spanish</b> .	<b>If you could be any animal, what would you be? Why?</b>	<b>Create Clay Animal Tracks   WILD KRATTS</b> In this activity, kids can turn their favorite animal tracks into art by imprinting on clay.	<b>Animals Are Everywhere!   ELINOR WONDERS WHY</b> In this lesson, children will observe and learn about the animals in their community.
<b>Animal Habitats</b>	<b>Ecosystems   WILD KRATTS</b> Join the Wild Kratts and build on your students' natural interest in animals and their habitats.	<b>Nature Nuggets: A Hummingbird's Nest</b> Learn about nests and their builders as you observe a hummingbird building its nest.	<b>Invaders!   PLUM LANDING</b> Help Plum rid the habitats of invasive species.	<b>Build An Animal Habitat   ELINOR WONDERS WHY</b> Design an animal habitat and talk about how the habitat provides the animal's basic needs.	<b>Animals live in different habitats like the ocean and the jungle. What animals might you find in each?</b>	<b>Plant a Terrarium   NATURE CAT</b> Create a self-sufficient terrarium in your classroom.	<b>Habitat Mapping Game   CYBERCHASE</b> See what happens when human impact divides animal habitats by playing the Habitat Mapping Game with a partner.
<b>Nature Is Inspiring</b>	<b>Explore the Outdoors</b> Nurture kids' curiosity about the natural world and inspire outdoor fun. Introduce topics like- bugs, nature, recycling, and Earth!	<b>Finding Instruments in Nature   NATURE CAT</b> The Nature Cat Band is ready for The Battle of the Pet Bands! Make your own instruments with materials from nature.		<b>Activity Starters   NATURE CAT</b> Cut out these learning cards for quick, adult-led conversation and activity starters!	<b>Close your eyes and then write a poem about the sounds you heard in nature.</b>	<b>Take a Nature Walk and Make Art With Leaves   SESAME STREET</b> Collect leaves for an art project to inspire curiosity about colors, textures and shapes.	<b>Building Ideas From Nature   ELINOR WONDER WHY</b> This block center activity encourages children to design structures inspired by the natural world.