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My name is ...



#### and I Spy with my little eye...

It's time to explore! Bring a pencil and a notepad and get familiar with your surroundings and engage with them in a fun way!

### **Statues**

- Is there a statue nearby? What does it tell you about your town?
- Record the name and date of the statue. What is it made of (metal, stone, clay)? How does it make you feel?

Circle words that describe it:



### **Windows**

Did you know that there are many types of window frames developed in the UK over different eras - Gothic, Victorian, Roman, etc.? Some of them look something like these:



- Can you spot any of these different windows on your travel
- Do the buildings they are in look old or modern?
- Are there any new windows made to look like old ones?
- Draw or take pictures of the different ones you find!
- Which do you like best? Why?

# Clocks

Look for different types of clocks in your town. Are any really old or interesting?

- What times do they show?
- What type of building is the clock on? (A shop, church, clock tower ... )
- Try sketching the ones you find!

# Lost and Found Objects

- Find something out of place a lone shoe, a dropped toy, or a forgotten sign.
- Create a story about how it ended up there!

## What is that Sound?

Close your eyes and listen to your surroundings. What can you hear?

- Can you hear any mechanical sounds? (cars, planes, buses). Can you
- hear any natural sounds (birds, wind), or the sound of people working?
- Can you identify at least three different sounds?
- Try following an interesting sound and see where it leads, but make sure to watch where you're going!

## **Rainbow Walk**

Try to find something of every colour of the rainbow on your walk. Take pictures or list them as you go!



## **Animal Tracks**

Animal life is all around us and there are clues that you can find if you really look! Can you spot any animal prints, feathers, or nibbled leaves? Could you guess which animal left them behind?

## **Seed Dispersal Hunt**

Did you know that plants and flowers use different ways to scatter their seeds?! Can you spot any of the following?





them!)



Seeds





Acorns



Pinecones

**Human Tracks** 

Humans and nature have learnt to cohabit (live together) There are many places where we can find traces of this.

#### Challenge yourself to find a place that is both human-made and natural.

Clues: Tiny plants sprouting between pavement stones or walls, balcony plants, Vines creeping up old or new buildings ... and anything that is both human made and has elements of nature!

### Litter Awareness

Spot rubbish or litter. Does it make the place look prettier or uglier? Do you think people should drop litter?

### FUN Facti

Did you know that Archaeology thrives on the litter people have been dropping for hundreds of years? Consider joining an organised litter pick to help keep your area clean.

## **Old Signs**

Can you find a sign that mentions the date of a building or landmark? What is the oldest date you can find? How old is that place? Challenge yourself to find something from the 1800s or 1900s.

#### Scavenger Hunt Challenge

Make a checklist of things to find and see how many you can spot in a week. Set a time limit to add a sense of urgency and try to beat your own score!

#### **Local Stories**

Ask an older family member or neighbour about how places have changed over time. Record their story on your

phone if you can!

#### Create a Mini-Exhibition

Gather your drawings and photos in a display at home, school, or a community centre. Share your exhibition with us and we will be proud to feature it on our website!