



Campbell Creek Science Center

Meet A Tree

Use a variety of senses to learn more about the trees around you. This activity can be done while on a hike or right in your own backyard.

Directions

1. Head outside with your blindfold and at least one other person.
2. In a forested area (a place with at least three trees) choose one person to be blindfolded and one person to be the guide.
3. The guide will gently spin the blindfolded person three times and then guide them to a nearby tree.
4. Allow the blindfolded person to use their senses (except sight) to get to know the tree. Be sure they feel the branches, the bark, and the needles if there are any. Encourage them to reach high, check out the base of the tree, and get a sense for how big around their tree is.
5. Once the blindfolded person thinks they truly know their tree, the sighted person guides them back to the starting point.
6. Remove the blindfold and see if the person can find their tree.

Materials

- Blindfold
- Partner

Questions

- How many different types of trees do you see around you?
- How many of the different trees can you identify?
- Do the trees grow close together or far apart?
- Is your tree **deciduous** or **evergreen**?

Deciduous

These trees drop their leaves each year.



Evergreen

These trees keep their leaves year round.

