# e-patches & crests SUMMER SCAVENGER HUNT

INSTANT MEETING AGES: 5 - 6

**Goal:** A fun and active game that encourages teamwork and observation.

**Program Areas Covered:** Let's Play a Game

**Location:** A nearby park, preferably one with a playground.

**Preparation Time: 15 Minutes** 

# **MATERIALS NEEDED**

- Pencils
- Printable scavenger hunt page
- A whistle

# **OPENING**

If the weather is nice, take your group out for some fresh air and fun in the park. Lead the Opening either at your usual meeting place or at the park. Then tell the group that they will be doing a fun and active scavenger hunt! Tell them that for this activity they will need to keep their eyes peeled and will need to work together. Have them sing the Buddies and Pals from the Sparks Guider Program Book to get them into the teamwork spirit.

### **SCAVENGER HUNT**

Have the group divide into teams of two of three. Give them their scavenger hunt list found on pages 2-4 and pencils.

The teams should try to spot or do at least 5 items on the list. Some of the items on the list will involve finding objects and some items will involve doing actions.

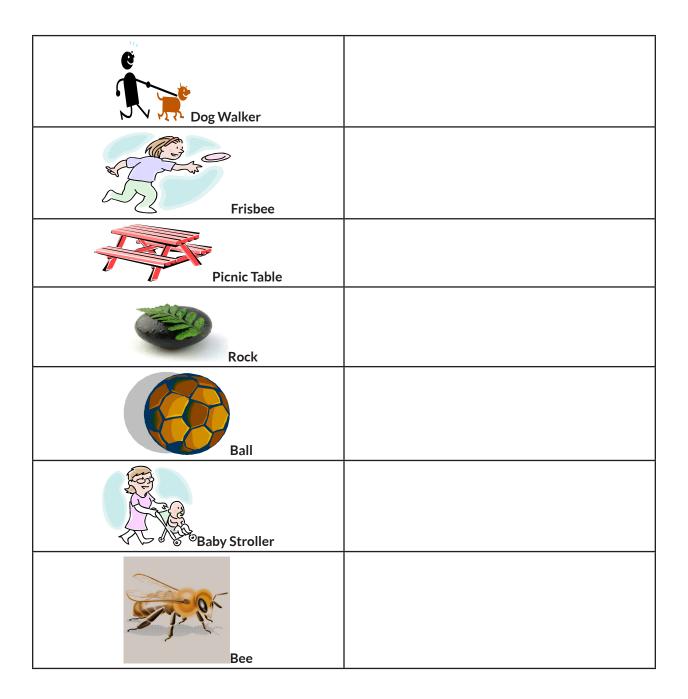
Clearly point out the safe boundaries of where the teams can explore, and then send them on their way.

When the teams find an item or complete an action on the list, have them draw a picture of it in the designated box. When the time is up, blow the whistle to get the teams' attention. When the teams return, have them compare their findings with one another.



# **SUMMER PARK SCAVENGER HUNT LIST**

Pinecone	
Ladybug	
Dandelion	
Feather	
Caterpillar	
Butterfly	
Bird	





# **SCAVENGER HUNT ACTIONS LIST**

Slide Down a Slide	
Hug a Tree	
Drink From a Water Fountain	
High Five Another Team	
Swing 3 Times On the Swings	
Bury a Rock in the Sand	
Pick a Flower	

# **SNACK**

Why not enjoy the nice weather by sharing a healthy snack with your kids outside?

# **Ants on A Log:**

You'll need:

- Celery
- Cream cheese (hummus or Cheeze Whiz works too)
- Raisins
- A knife

First you wash the celery and cut it into sections. Then, you spread the cream cheese along the side of the celery. Finally, press the raisins into the cheese so that they look like little ants crawling across a log. Enjoy!

# **CLOSING**

Congratulate the group for completing their scavenger hunts! Enjoy your usual Closing in the sunshine.

# **BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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