

A CAMP-IN CAMPOUT

Feeling cooped up? A “camp-in” is a great way to bring the spirit of the outdoors into your living room or backyard. Skim through the ideas on the card below, gather your gear, set up camp and enjoy a fun-filled day (or weekend) of classic camping skills, crafts and activities! Try to get five in a row or fill the entire card.




MAKE S'MORES	TELL A GHOST STORY	WATCH A NATURE VIDEO	PLAY WILDLIFE CHARADES	CREATE A LEAF RUBBING
GAZE AT THE STARS	PLAY A CARD GAME	PAINT A ROCK	BUILD A TENT FORT	SING CAMPFIRE SONGS
READ NATURE QUOTES	QUIZ YOURSELF ON ANIMAL TRACKS	 FREE	DO A NATURE SKETCH	PRACTICE KNOT TYING
DRAW A MAP	GATHER A FIRST AID KIT	IMITATE ANIMAL SOUNDS	WATCH THE SUN RISE OR SET	PLAY A YARD GAME
HOST A TALENT SHOW	CRAFT A FRIENDSHIP BRACELET	PLAN A CAMPING TRIP	MAKE FLASHLIGHT SHADOW PUPPETS	PRACTICE ANIMAL YOGA POSES

CAMP WEEK

Learning Extensions

Want to extend your camp-in game into a week-long camping experience? Each square below contains an extension idea for the card activities on page 1. See how many you can do!



<p>Draw or write the steps for how to make a s'more, then follow them</p>	<p>Have one person begin a tale, then the next person pick up after a few sentences</p>	<p>Using a toy/pet, pretend you are a naturalist; narrate and record your own TV show</p>	<p>Print or draw, then cut and color a set of local wildlife cards for endless games</p>	<p>Study the parts of a leaf; classify different ones by patterns, shapes and margins</p>
<p>Read constellation myths, then make them out of toothpicks and marshmallows</p>	<p>Use playing cards for math games; write equations, find a way to make 10, etc.</p>	<p>Study the rock cycle, then classify the rocks you find</p>	<p>Look up shelter-building designs, then construct miniature versions</p>	<p>Play name-that-tune by humming classic campfire songs</p>
<p>Learn about the life of the author of your favorite nature quote</p>	<p>Make your own prints with playdough, paint or mud</p>	 <p>FREE</p>	<p>Follow up your sketch with a haiku about your subject</p>	<p>Learn to make your own rope by braiding or twining natural fibers</p>
<p>Create a map of your home or neighborhood, and use it for a treasure hunt</p>	<p>First Aid is one of the 10 essentials; learn about the other 9 and make an emergency kit</p>	<p>Listen quietly outside (or to a nature recording) for 5 min; count/map the sounds you hear</p>	<p>Observe when the sun rises and sets each day; answer why it changes daily</p>	<p>Hold a "Camping Olympics" with a series of camping skills/games</p>
<p>Create teams and work on your act all week, finishing with the talent show!</p>	<p>Try different patterns and materials; mail them to family or friends</p>	<p>Research local, state, regional and national trips; make a bucket list or map</p>	<p>Retell a story with a shadow puppet show</p>	<p>Make your own nature yoga pose poster or card deck</p>