# Earth Day Optional Art Activities, Week 6 Nature Photography















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#### **DESCRIPTION:**

It has been 50 years since the first Earth Day on April 22, 1970. To celebrate, this week's optional art activity is using the medium of photography and nature.

## **MATERIALS:**

Camera

Sunny Day

Older person

# **PROCEDURE:**

# SAFETY FIRST! ONLY GO OUTSIDE IF YOU HAVE PERMISSION FROM YOUR PARENTS. FOLLOW THE SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR COVID-19.

- 1. With a family member go into your yard and take in all the new things popping up for spring.
- 2. Notice how the trees, leaves, reflections, shadows, rocks, etc. resemble letters.
- 3. Take a picture of things that look like letters, or of things that simply make you happy.
- 4. Print out your pictures.
- 5. Arrange your prints to create a nature name photo, or a photo collage of the beautiful things you found in nature.

### **EXTENSIONS:**

- 1. Younger students may like to just point out found nature letters while an older person takes the picture.
- 2. Make a sculpture from rocks, twigs, leaves, etc. Check out British artist, Andy Goldsworthy, who creates all his art from nature. (Rainy day activity) <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dM2fCrUKk7E">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dM2fCrUKk7E</a>
- 3. Video the sounds of nature, such as a waterfall, birds, frogs chirpy, the wind, the ocean waves etc. Use your sounds to use for a mediation moment.



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