

Welcome to the NRT's Nature Scavenger Hunt!

Difficulty: Medium

This project was done by Reilly Clark from Girl Scout Troop 65049.

Age Range: 9-11 but any age is welcome!

Directions: Follow this scavenger hunt for an adventure! Please be respectful to others and protect the environment around you. Be safe and have fun! At the end of the scavenger hunt, please post photos of your adventure to the hashtag: #nrtscavengerhunt and tag @sheeppasture on Instagram!

Adventure Packs: Adventure packs, with extra tools like magnifying glasses and binoculars, can be accessed through the Ames Free Library. While not necessary to do the scavenger hunt, this pack will help you further explore the world around you. If using an adventure pack, please take care of it, and do not damage it or the items inside. You will be asked to fill out a quick form giving your email address, which numbered bag(s) you are using, and confirmation that the bag will be returned to the Ames Free Library immediately after use. If it is not returned within the day, you will be emailed asking you to return the bag. Enjoy!

Group Name:	
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☐ **Task:** Come up with your group name! Make sure that everyone is happy with it. This is your team!



☐ **Task:** Throughout your adventure, each group member should pick up at least <u>three</u> pieces of trash and properly throw them away.



☐ **Challenge:** Go around the group and say your name, your favorite color, and one interesting fact about yourself. Example: My name is Reilly, my favorite color is red, and I have two brothers.



☐ **Task:** Find at least <u>four</u> different types of animals along the way. Examples include squirrels, frogs, birds, chipmunks, etc.



☐ **Task:** Find at least <u>four</u> types of insects. Examples: ants, grubs, worms, mosquitos, butterflies, etc. Go find them! Pro-tip, look under fallen logs, or rocks to see some cool insects!



☐ **Discuss:** If you could have one superpower, what would it be and why?



☐ **Task:** Find at least <u>five</u> different types of plants. Examples: trees, flowers, grass, aquatic plants (plants found in water), etc.



☐ **Task:** Introduce yourself to a tree. Get to know them and treat them like another person. Be respectful. See what kind of leaves they have, and do some research to learn their name, (like Oak, Pine, Birch, etc). Think of this tree every time you return to the NRT. Check in on it, and see how it is doing throughout the seasons. Everything around you is worth getting to know. Never stop being curious!



☐ **Discuss:** What are you thankful for?



You did it! You made it to the end of the scavenger hunt! Thank you for going on this adventure, I hope you had fun! Please post photos of your adventure to the hashtag: #nrtscavengerhunt and tag @sheeppasture on Instagram! Make sure to check out the other scavenger hunts and fill out the feedback form on the NRT Website!

