

# Scouting@Home Weekly Challenge

















COMMUNITY





## Source Checker

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## Nature Walk Scavenger Hunt

Go on a nature walk around your local park and see if you can spot the 25 animals, plants and objects in our Scavenger Hunt BINGO.

## **Scout Around the Globe**

Learn about Scouting in a different country and the customs we share with them. What do we do the same? What do we do differently?

# Create Your Own Campsite

Bring all your camping dreams to life by creating your very own miniature campsite using recyclable materials!

#### Colour Me Calm

Spend an afternoon completing some colouring in sheets and find your inner sense of calm.





## **Source Checker**

Challenge Area	PERSONAL GROWTH
Ages	Scouts, Venturers and Rovers
Number of People Required	One

Nowadays, there are hundreds if not thousands of ways we can find out about news. Whether it is by word of mouth, social media or on television, we need to be careful about what we consider to be 'news' and make sure we don't automatically believe everything we are told.

Do you know how to evaluate whether the source of a news story is reliable? In this interactive game you will review fictional news stories, learn how to analyse and evaluate the sources, then test your skills in a quiz.

## Instructions

- 1. Open up the Source Checker game here.
- 2. Select a level Easy, Harder or Tricky
- 3. Play the game and see if you can spot sources in a story and determine how reliable they are.

## Reflection

This activity helped you to develop important media literacy skills, including how to work out if the content you are looking at or hearing is something you should think twice about before believing. How will you integrate these skills into future situations?



## **Nature Walk Scavenger Hunt**

Challenge Area	OUTDOORS
Ages	All
Number of People Required	One

Oftentimes in a scavenger hunt, objects are hidden throughout the search area and then we search out these items. However, instead of looking for pre-hidden objects, we're encouraging you to take your learning outside by going on a nature walk around your local park.

## Instructions

- 1. Download and print off a copy of our Nature Walk Scavenger Hunt BINGO here.
- 2. Head off on your Nature Walk. If you have a front or backyard at home, you can start your scavenger hunt there, otherwise visit your local park (with parent supervision) and spend some time exploring nature.
- 3. Remember to wear a hat and sunscreen and to observe social distancing rules by keeping a distance of at least 1.5 metres between yourself and other people when you're at the park.
- 4. See if you can find as many of the items on the list as possible, paying close attention to your surroundings.

### Reflection

Doing a nature walk not only gets you outdoors and moving, but it's also an opportunity for you to learn all about the natural environment. Nature walks offer something different for you to explore – even if you walk the same trails from one day to the next. Autumn is a great time to observe the changes in plants and animals as the weather shifts. Did you discover different animals or plants you had never noticed or seen in your local park before?

# NATURE WALK SCAVENGER HUNT BINGO







## **Scout Around the Globe**

Challenge Area	COMMUNITY
Ages	Joeys, Cubs, Scouts
Number of People Required	One

Did you know that Scouting exists in over 170 countries around the world? That's right – while we're all part of a local Scout Group, Region, State and National body, we are also part of a broader global community of over 50 million people!

This activity encourages you to learn about Scouting in different countries and the customs we share with them, as well as different ways we Scout around the world.

## Instructions

- 1. Think of another country (apart from Australia) that starts with the same letter as your name.
- 2. Visit the World Organisation of the Scouting Movement <u>website</u>, and under World > Regions, see if you can find the country you've selected in the list of Scouting countries.
- 3. Research five different facts around the country and about Scouting in that country. What do their uniforms look like? Do they use a woggle? What is their Scout Promise and Law? Does Scouts run differently over there?
- 4. Draw or paint a picture of the different activities you would do and the things you would see if there was a World Jamboree held in that country.

### Reflection

Acknowledging and respecting cross-cultural similarities and differences is key to being a member of a global community and society. This activity encouraged you to look beyond your own Scouting experience and learn about Scouting in a different country. Did you learn anything that surprised you? What learnings can you share with your Patrol or Unit next time you have a meeting?



# **Create Your Own Campsite**

Challenge Area	CREATIVE
Ages	All
Number of People Required	One

Camping is the best. You get to hang out with your friends, do fun activities, and enjoy the fresh air and great outdoors. Bring all your camping dreams to life by creating your very own miniature campsite!

## Instructions

- 1. Gather recyclable materials from around your house, for example scrap paper, cardboard, an old shoe box, empty milk bottles and egg cartons.
- 2. Gather any arts and craft materials you may need colouring in pencils, pens, markers etc.
- 3. Design your own miniature Scout campsite by mapping it out on paper. Be creative, what's new in your campsite? Now's your chance to think of all the things you've always wanted in a campsite and bring them to life!
- 4. Begin creating your campsite using the recyclable materials.
- 5. Take a photo of your campsite and submit it as part of your Weekly Challenge log!

### Reflection

This activity encouraged you to think outside the box and use your creative thinking skills to design your own miniature campsite. It also gave you the opportunity to foster your problem solving skills by turning recyclable materials into camping props!



## **Colour Me Calm**

Challenge Area	WELLNESS
Ages	All
Number of People Required	One

When people are stressed or anxious, they can find it difficult to stay focused in the present moment. That essentially means that their thoughts are centred around their worries or to-do list instead of what's happening right in front of them at the given time.

The act of colouring is often compared to meditation or mindfulness in that it gives people something else to focus their attention on. When the brain is focused on a simple activity that takes us outside of ourselves and with a predictable outcome, it's able to relax.

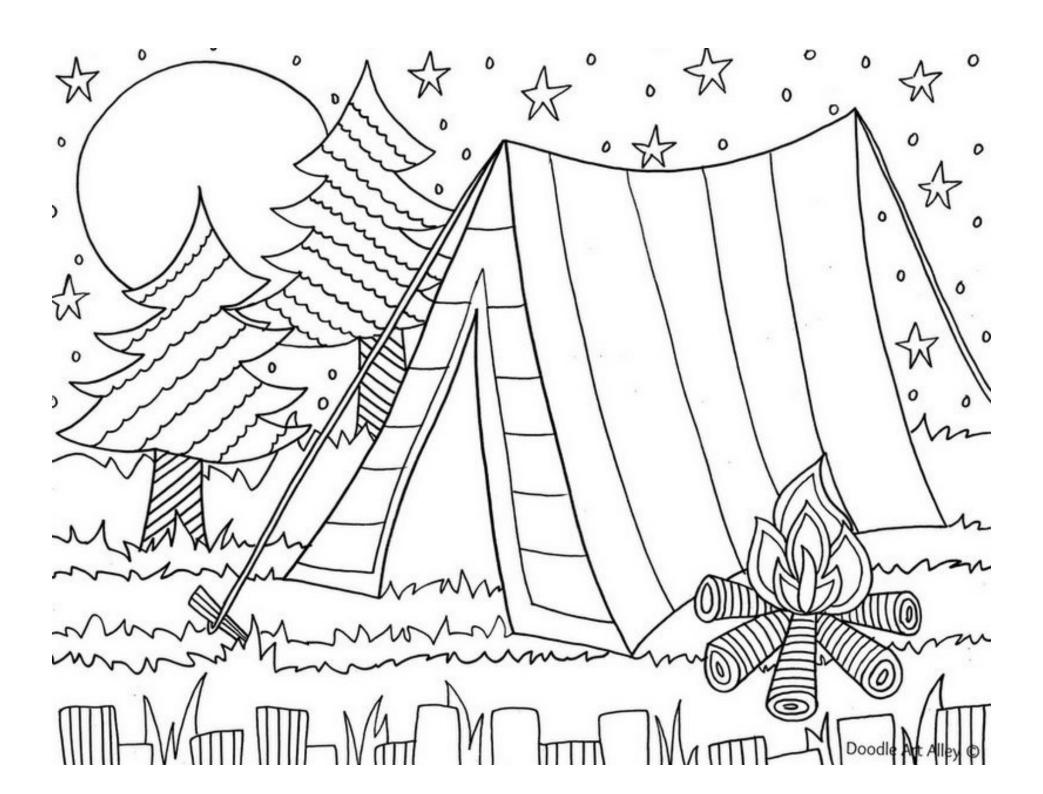
Studies show that colouring can help to improve mood, reduce stress and boost creativity, which is why we're encouraging you to take some time to colour in.

## Instructions

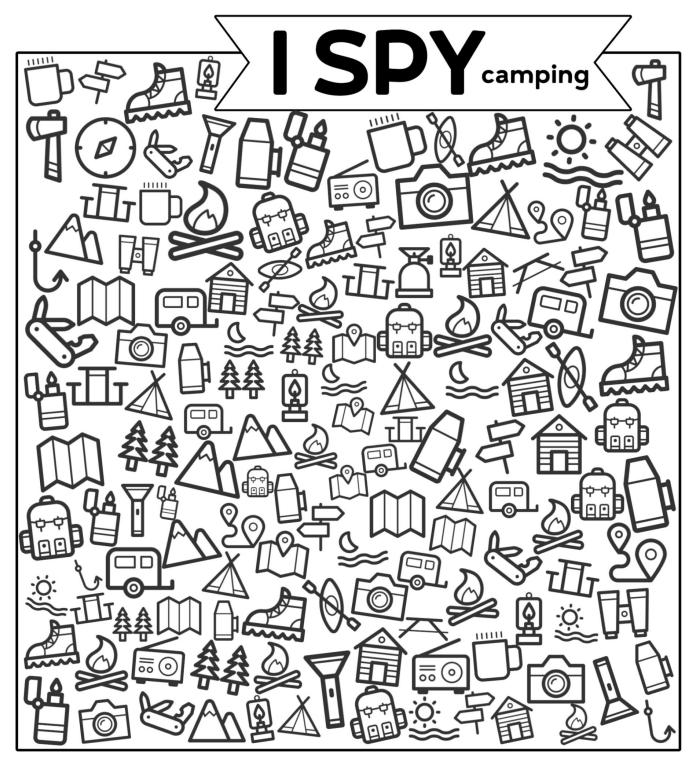
- 1. Download and print off a selection of colouring in sheets here.
- 2. Gather your colour pencils, pens, crayons and markers.
- 3. Choose a colouring in sheet to complete. You may want to start with a simple drawing and then make your way to more difficult drawings.

## Reflection

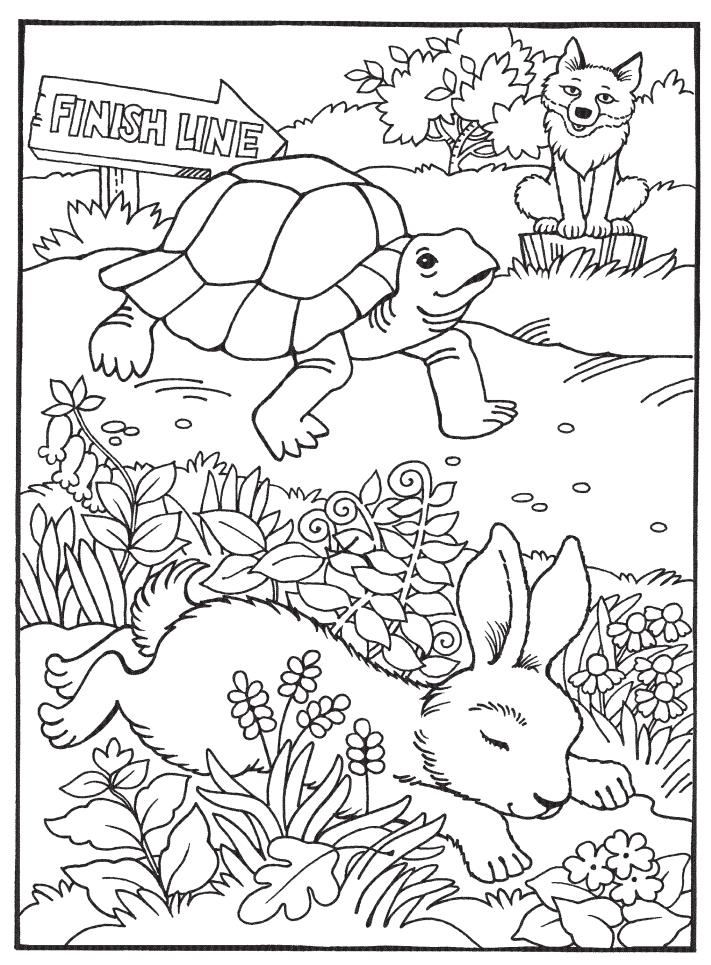
Colouring in can be a highly effective way of improving physical and mental wellbeing. How did you feel while colouring in? Did it help take your mind off things, or simply help you relax after a long day?







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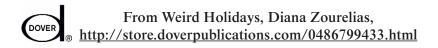


A French chef made chocolate fondue. Fondue is the French word for "melted".



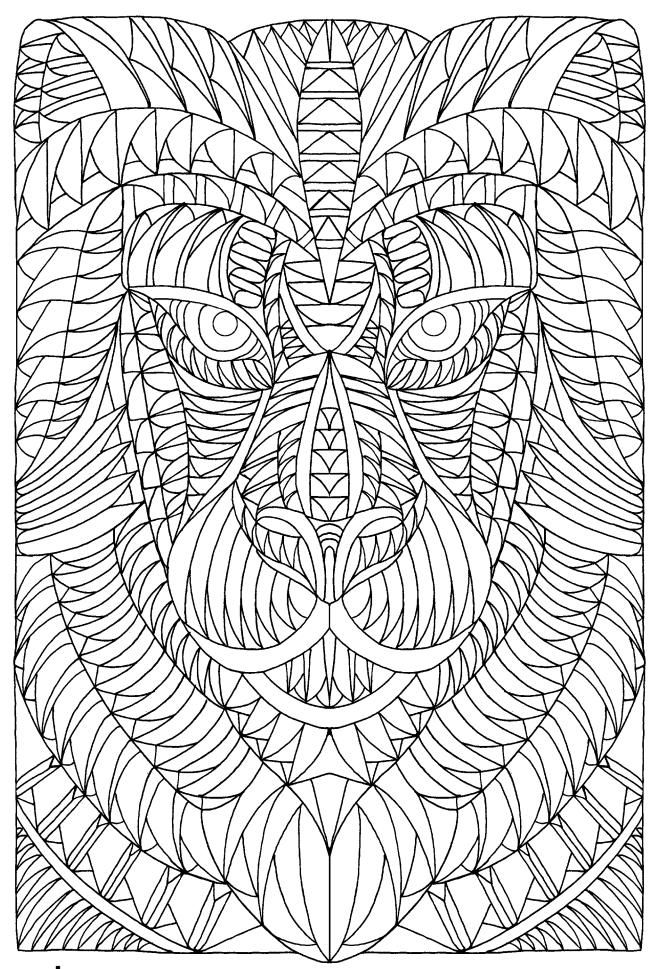


# FIND A RAINBOW DAY











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