



## Learning Resources

# Title: The Senses

Ages: Key Stage 1 & 2

We can discover the natural world through using all our senses. Sight, hearing, smell, touch and even taste! Here are some activities that can be used as a lesson plan, or as stand-alone fun.

### 1. Sense the world around you - KS1 & 2

**Length of time:** 5 minutes

Close your eyes (even better if you can use a blindfold or a scarf) spend a few minutes outdoors listening to all the sounds that are around you.

Next, open your eyes and spend a few minutes in silence looking at what you can now see.

#### What you'll need:

Scarf or blindfold – or nothing!

#### Questions:

- How many can you hear?
- What are they?
- How many things can you see making those noises?
- How many things are moving?

### 2. Smelly Potions - KS1 & 2

**Length of time:** Min 30 mins

Find a pot and a stick to stir. Go on a hunt for things to make your potion with like leaves, grass, mud, flowers. Mix them all together and add a little bit of water.

(Note: Best to only pick flowers that are everywhere like daisies, dandelions– unless you're in your own garden, where an adults says it's ok –just leave some for the bees! Also the potions and anything picked are not to be eaten!)

#### What you'll need:

A pot like a jam jar or an old yoghurt pot

A stick

#### Questions:

- Does your potion smell good or bad?
- Does your potion have a name?
- What could your potion be used for, does it have a special powers?

### 3. Sensory Poem - KS2

**Length of time:** As much time is needed

Write a poem describing the natural world around you, which includes the things you can see, hear, touch and smell. Maybe each line could be describing a different sense.

#### What you'll need:

Pen and Paper

Could look up different ways to write a poem

#### Questions:

- Have you written your poem in a certain style?
- Does it rhyme?