

Conversation

Overview:

This conversational sharing activity is a follow-up to one of the nature activities (*Nature Bingo*, *Senses*, *One Square Yard*, *Nature Journaling*). After an experience in nature, participants will be asked to learn from others' experiences. Skills that will be practiced include showing curiosity, learning about others' perspectives, and being a good listener. This activity encourages participants to connect with one another.



Objective:

- Show curiosity towards others with the help of the questions and prompts provided.
- Learn about others' feelings about nature.
- Practice sharing thoughts with others.

Materials:

None needed!

Activity:

1. Ask participants to pair up with someone next to them and go through these questions:
 - a. What did you see, observe, or notice?
 - b. Of the things you saw, what was something that you cared about?
 - c. What did you wonder about or have questions about? What did you want to know more about?
 - d. Do you like being outdoors? Why?
 - e. What do you already know about nature?
 - f. If you could save one thing in the environment, what would it be? Why?
 - g. What's your favorite thing to do outdoors? Why?
 - h. If you could be an animal or plant, what would it be and why?
2. Have the participants switch places, and after they finish, ask them to talk about what they have in common and what difference they saw in each others' answers. Participants should be encouraged to ask follow-up questions.

Target Age: K-2, elementary, middle and high school

Time to Prep Activity: 5 minutes

Time to Complete Activity: 10-15 minutes

Perfect for: Indoors- classroom, library

Other activities that connect:

This activity is a great follow-up to the Outdoor Activities like *Nature Bingo*, *Senses*, *One Square Yard*, or *Nature Journaling*!