

Fresh Air Ideas: Garden Challenges

Treasure Map

Make a map of your garden or outside space. Can you plot all the things you can see onto your map?

Now hide some 'treasure'!

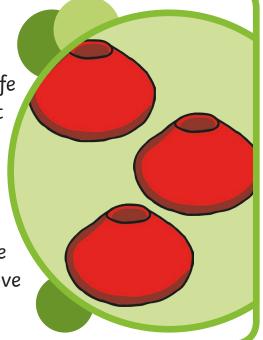
Give your map to a family member to see if he or she can find what you have hidden.



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Obstacle Course

Using any small, safe items that you might have around you, can you create an obstacle course? When an adult has checked that it is safe, try out your course. Time yourself and try to improve your speed!



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Texture Trail

Find all the patterns and textures you can on this texture scavenger hunt. Take a crayon and piece of paper with you and make a rubbing of the interesting patterns you see. Can other family members guess what object the pattern is from?



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Sense Sensation

Look around your outside space for things that are rough, smooth, squashy or crunchy. Without damaging any wildlife, create a feely bag for a family member by putting some of the items into a bag. Invite them to close their eyes and identify the objects they feel inside.

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Mindful Moments

Lie on your back in a comfortable position. Look up at the sky and put your hands on your stomach. Breathe slowly and deeply, focusing on the rise and fall of your hands as you do this. Now, without moving, think about your senses. What can you hear? What can you feel? What can you see? What can you smell?

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Move It!

Create an exercise routine for family members to copy. Use all the space available to you and include some really energetic movements!



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Movement Makers

Think of lots of different ways in which you can move across your space. Try and vary the height at which you are moving. Can you run, walk, sidestep, skip or jump? Now try crawling, squatting or lunging. Can you even roll, slither or bunny hop?





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These challenge cards should be used in your own garden or outside space.

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