

# playbook

## Art camping

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### 001 Camping is art

And off we set, into the forest, eyes upon the map ... Follow the ideas in this playbook, or get completely lost — not literally, but in your creativity — and see what you can craft out of the things you find in the wild.



Set up an art camp in the forest, in your own backyard, or in the living room. Actually, you can have a series of camps — this kit is designed to provide an experience that you can return to at any time.



Scan the QR code on the back cover to access the digital version of this playbook.

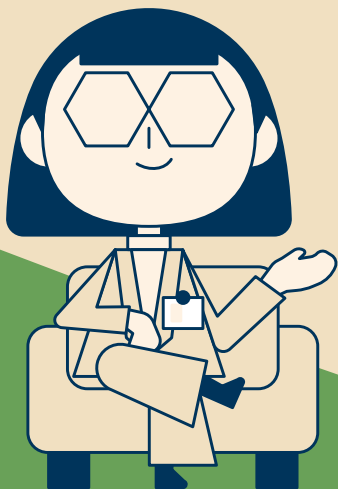
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# Warnings

Every playoddity kit is designed as a children's experience that is guided by an adult. All the described activities require adult supervision. Safety instructions for each item in the kit can be found on the item's individual packaging.




**WARNING!**  
**Choking hazard:**  
**Small parts**  
Not for children under 3 years

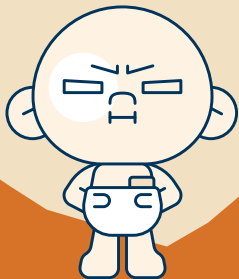


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Hi, this is The Voice speaking. I'd like to remind you that the most important part of the playoddity experience is the child or children. Without them, you'll just be an adult playing games to avoid responsibilities. So put your phone away, and follow the instructions in this playbook for having a great time! The activities also work without the playbook, if you have your own ideas, but we suggest you have a look at ours first.



Without playbook



With playbook

# Unboxing

**Photography and cinematography are also art — that's a fact. So why not take a couple of awesome shots — or make a couple of short movies — while using this kit? Share them with #playoddity.**



Each item in the kit has a colored sticker:

- Green sticker — item can be used by children and adults
- Red sticker — item should be used by adults only

If any items on the list are missing, or you have problems with any of the products, please get in touch.

# Contents of this kit

- **01. Tent**  
No tent, no camping;  
that's the rule.
- **02. Projector**  
An open-air cinema? Let's  
watch a movie about art!
- **03. Diary**  
Write down your  
observations.
- **04. Whistle**  
Blow it if you get lost.
- **05. Camping lantern**  
A big part of the camping  
atmosphere.
- **06. Head torch**  
Your hands deserve  
freedom!
- **07. Scrapbooking album**  
Nature is art — you just  
need to collect it.
- **08. Markers**  
Draw what you see.
- **09. Colored tape**  
To give your art an edge.
- **10. Decorative stickers**  
Stick to the plan, and  
create a masterpiece.
- **11. Leaf-shaped sticky notes**  
If you want to write on  
leaves, use these.
- **12. Shaped scissors**  
We're done with straight  
lines.
- **13. Retro memo pad**  
Vintage is awesome!
- **14. Chalk**  
For when you're tired of  
markers.
- **15. Thermos**  
Never go camping without  
a thermos.
- **16. Bags**  
For snacks and supplies.
- **17. Drawstring backpack**  
Once it's packed, you **HAVE**  
to go camping.
- **18. Rainstick**  
Bring the rain home, or  
even into your tent.
- **19. Rope**  
A rope is a must — ask  
Sam Gamgee.
- **20. Thermal rescue blanket**  
In case of emergency.

# Notes and ideas

What's the difference between **camping** in the forest and camping in your backyard? That's right — there's no difference if you can **see the sky!**



## Eyes on the map


Before the **camping** begins, you need to choose **a location**. Ask the kids to draw a map of how to get there. For example, it could be **a route** from your home to the nearest park.

## Get some food

Make some camping **snacks**, with the kids' help. Start with **sandwiches** and **hot drinks** in a thermos, and maybe you'll work up an appetite for something bigger in the process.

## Whistle while you walk

Whistles can help you and your kids **communicate** when you can't see each other. So you can use them to **avoid getting lost** in the forest.



It's best to read the **instructions** for the **tent** beforehand, so you know what you're doing when you're at **the campsite**. But remember — even Mr. Rogers failed to put up a tent on the first try, and he didn't get discouraged!



## Relax and listen

Close your eyes and **listen**. Can you hear it? Yes, that. That's **the sound of life** bustling around. Try listening like this at different times and in different locations.

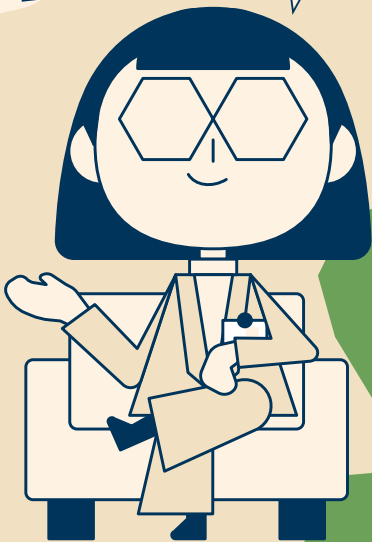
Nature motivated people to produce **beautiful art** long before I decided to study psychology. So I don't need to explain why **nature drives our creativity**. What, you still don't get it? Because nature is already **inside** us.



## Active search

Gather **natural materials** for your future masterpieces. Leaves, branches, stones — **anything** you can find outside or in your backyard.

Remember to leave every place **better** than you found it. Don't break living branches — **pick up** the ones that are already on the ground.





## Scrapbooking

Use the markers to **draw a natural scene**. It might be a landscape or just a combination of leaves and flowers. Then **add** the materials that you found outside.

## Looks natural

Create **an image** from leaves, branches, and other items by gluing them to paper. Or just **arrange** them and take a picture.

## Grass doll

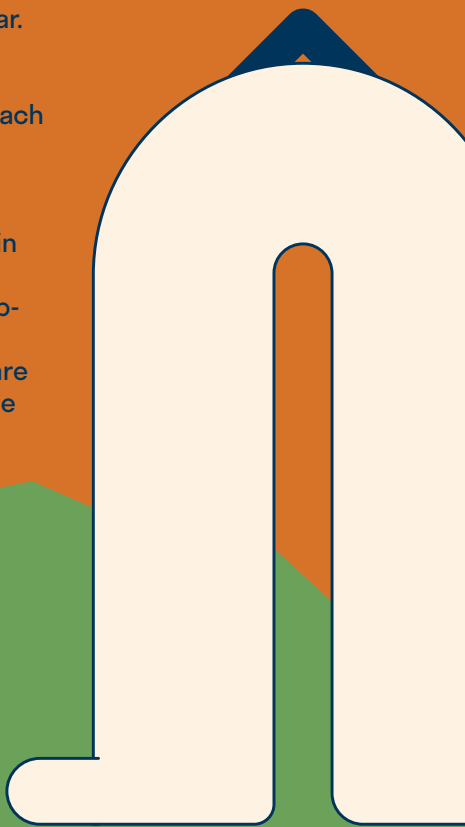
Try making a grass doll. Or instead of a doll — how about weaving some **grass bracelets** that have the magic power to **guard** your family?

## The colors of the year

Draw a circle and divide it into twelve sectors — these are the months of the year. Ask your kids to fill the sectors with items of the color that best reflects each month.

## By the fireside

When night falls, gather in the tent and turn on the lantern. This is your campfire. And now it's time to present your art and share stories. Maybe even some scary ones if you're not afraid of ghosts ...





## Sorting leaves

Collect some leaves. Depending on the season, you can sort them according to **color or size**. Find out which trees the leaves fell from. The children can make an entire **scrapbook** of leaves, and draw leaf shapes on the pages with **crayons and markers**.

## Toy photo session

Nature is the perfect backdrop for a **photo shoot**. Take some **toys** with you that can become models, and set up a **camping photo studio**. Start with sketches of the pictures you want to take, and then get your smart-phone camera ready for a pro photography session.

## Care for nature

Camping is not just a **fun** way to pass the time. It's also a chance to **take care of nature**. If you come across any **litter** dropped by other people, pick it up and take it to the trash can. Be an example to your kids. You can even turn it into a **competition** — who can fill their trash bag first? Don't forget to wear gloves!

## Mystery item

Nature is full of undiscovered mysteries, and this is one of them. Let's hope it **helps your creativity to flow!**

# Search terms

🔍 the most photographed landscapes ✕

the art of leaves ↗

home-made Christmas tree ↗

Gravity Glue ↗

Calvin Seibert ↗

toy figure photography ↗

# Question time

? What do you like most  
• about nature?

? We all agree that trees are amazing,  
• but what do they resemble?

? Do you know what kind of trees grow near  
• your home? Do you have a favorite one?

? What's the strangest cloud that you've  
• ever seen? What shape was it?

? Have you ever noticed the symmetry in  
• nature? Do you know why it exists?

# Creativity time

Leaves are nature's ultimate masterpiece, and they come in all shapes and colors. You probably know what birch and oak tree leaves look like, but what about the trees that only exist in your imagination? For example, what does the leaf of a memotree look like? And what about a pillow tree? Imagine a tree, draw its leaf in this space, and label it.

There's more  
out back —  
follow the  
arrow!



If you get carried away by your nature-inspired creativity and lose this playbook in the woods or a nearby park — don't worry. You can always find the digital version online if you follow the QR code. And while you're on the website, check out our other kits. They're awesome!

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