

Observation Game

You could add Listen-Hear as well.

The basic idea is that you have a small group of girls (no more than 4) with a leader or parent. As they go on a walk they have to look for the things on the list.

First person to spot something gets a tick in their column. Leader reads out the list at the beginning and at various stages along the way.

With the Brownies I have split the list into two so they get new things added at the halfway point.

I have done this with Guides before and it also worked well with them. It could even be used with older girls adding more challenging things to find.

This list is designed for Fish Creek Park but it can easily be adapted for urban areas. You need to include the fairly obvious as well as smaller or less frequently found things, eg an open window or a black beetle. At the end of the walk the winner can be either the girls with the most spotted items or the team with the most.

Beaver teeth marks
Lady on bike
Black dog
Smoking chimney
Aeroplane
Gopher Geese flying in V
Coyote
Lady running
Feather - not on bird
Car in motion
Wheelchair
Fir cone
Goose on land
Clover leaf
Robin

Man on bike
Helicopter
White flower
Piece of string
Skater
Squirrel
Sparrow
Man running
Hot air balloon
Tire print
Purple/pink flower
Berry
Paw print
Woodpecker hole in tree
Bulrushes
Duck feeding - tail up

Wire netting
Fungus/toadstool
Blackbird
Deer droppings
Termite nest
Woodpecker/flicker
Pussy willow
Yellow flower
Leaf partly eaten by insect
Duck landing
Goose on water
Golden eye
Spider
Someone fishing
Duck swimming
Deer

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