



Activities:
exploring
the
landscape

Art and craft
using 'found'
materials



What
you
need

Materials found in the
landscape (although these
may need supplementing with
additional twigs, cones etc)

Time

20 – 30 minutes

The question

How can we use materials we find in the landscape to create new images?

The activity

This may need some preparation and negotiation in terms of working with gardeners/landscape managers to ensure in one area that materials such as fallen leaves, twigs etc are left.

There are several different possible ideas for arts and crafts using 'found' materials:

- Creating a picture of the landscape (or of a 'view').
- Creating a map of the landscape (using different items to represent different landscape elements).
- Different teams could produce different scenes/views or different seasons.

If there is sufficient larger found material, children could create dens (which could be followed up with storytelling).

Curriculum links

Art – developing art techniques, including control and use of materials with creativity and experimentation



Families

An easy to organise activity for drop-in or led groups of families.

