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# Young Explorers

A fun, nature-based park visit for pre-schoolers



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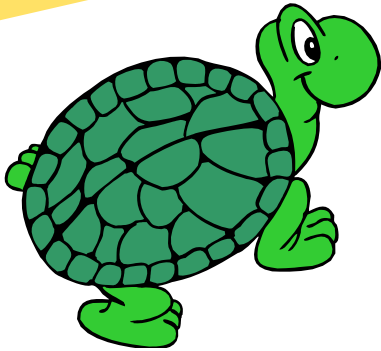
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# Activities for Young Explorers

Parents of pre-school children can help their children have a fun, Nature-based park visit. This guide will help!

1

**Toys can play  
“Hide and Seek”**



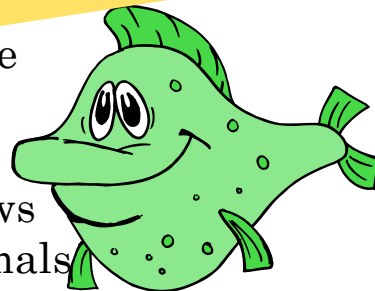
This activity will show the difference between what does or does not belong in nature. Hide five toys next to the hiking trail. Tell the children to find what does not belong in nature. Then find and talk about things that do belong in nature.

Walk over to Otter Springs (the pond.) From the wooden platform, look for fish and water plants. Walk quietly around the pond, and see if you hear a frog jump into the pond. Do you see any turtles? When critters hear you coming they will scurry into the tall grasses or jump into the water with a splash. Do you see the “bubbler?” It adds oxygen to the water for the fish to breathe.

2

**Shhhh! Sneak  
and Peek**

Do you see the kiosk with a picture of the pond? It shows different animals that may be found in and around a pond. Did you see any?



From the pond, continue down the dirt road to Treehouse Trail. A large stone marker on the left marks the entrance.



3

**Over the  
Swamp to the**

The Treehouse Trail boardwalk has safety fencing. It winds through the swamp where you will see Bald Cypress trees with their “knobby knees” which grow up from the roots. Watch and listen for birds and squirrels.



Funding for the acquisition of Camp Chowenaw Park was provided by the Florida Communities Trust using Florida Forever funds. The site was acquired in 2006 and is managed as a conservation, historic preservation, and outdoor recreation area.

