Pathway
to Stewardship & Kinship

ADVENTURE 6

Amazing Water Critters!

Healthy waterways are homes to many fascinating wild friends. This week, you'll explore together to find at least 10 different critters who live in the water.

Pathway Links:

Landmark 1: Explore outdoors together
Landmark 2: Positive experiences with animals
Landmark 5: Help look after an animal
Landmark 12: Meet friends in your neighbourhood
Landmark 19: Explore biodiversity

Note: when touching aquatic animals, make sure your hands are free of lotions or bug spray to make sure the creatures aren't harmed. *Thanks!*

Your challenge

Bring some containers and a small net or sieve and find a place along a stream or shoreline where you can explore for critters. Look carefully around and under rocks. When you find a creature, place it gently in a container of water so you can watch and take a picture. Find 10 different water critters, take a photo of each, and return them unharmed to their home when you're done.

Options

For very young children, model care and respect for living things, and use language of wonder to encourage exploration.

For older children/youth, can you identify each of the creatures you found? Use iNaturalist if you're not sure. Find something cool about each one.

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