TAKE A WALK, LOOK CLOSELY

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Objective To spend time walking in the natural environment and making observations using your senses.

Materials:
- An area to walk in. This can include your backyard!
- Pencil, pen, crayons, markers or paint
- Paper
- Books and/or computer (optional)

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This activity is appropriate for any age!
However, here are some coordinating ODE Learning Standards. This is not an exhaustive list.

⇒ Kindergarten Life Science Concept:
Living things have specific characteristics and traits.

⇒ Kindergarten Visual Arts Concept:
Generate ideas and images for artwork based on observation, memory, imagination and experience

⇒ Grade 1 Visual Arts Concepts:
Generate artmaking ideas from their daily experiences and the environment. Explore and use a range of subject matter to create original works of art. Create artwork based on observation of familiar objects and scenes.

⇒ Grade 2 Visual Arts Concept:
Generate artmaking ideas from their daily experiences and the environment.