

Forest School by Ciaran Murtagh

Forest Schools take place outside where you can get close to nature. They might be in a garden, park, playground, wood or forest. There are lots of adults to help you have fun and stay safe at Forest School.



At the start of Forest School, everyone sits in a circle and listens to the leader. They tell us what we're doing today.



It's time for a minibeast hunt! Make sure you look under stones and leaves. Don't forget to look up high, way down low and inside tree trunks too!



Everybody collects sticks to build a shelter. The shelter will help keep us dry if it rains.

1. Clear some space.
2. Big sticks go first.
3. Small sticks go on top.



Now it's time for a drink and a snack. If it's a cold day, our leader might light a fire.

Name:	Class:	Date:
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1 Choose **one**.

If you want to “*get close to nature*”, you have to:

- go outside. read a book.
 go for a drive. stay inside.

1a

2 Who tells the group what we are going to be doing today?

1b

3 Write **two** places that the book tells you to hunt for minibeasts.

1b

4 What is the first thing to do when you help to build a shelter?

1c

5 Why might a leader light a fire? Choose **one**.

- to cook food to look nice
 to keep warm to make light

1d

6 Match the tools with what they help us do.

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| cutters | tap |
| hammers | snap |
| pointed sticks | dig |

1b