



Kestrel
EDUCATIONAL
ADVENTURES

Nature Challenge -

How many of these can you complete?

<p>A) Find, photograph, and identify at least 2 species of salamander. <i>Try looking in clear ponds, flipping rocks in cool streams, and rolling logs and rocks in the woods. Be sure to gently roll them back!</i></p>	<p>B) Make a model boat out of only things you find in nature, put it in a stream or a river, and sail it as far as you can <i>Try using tough grasses to hold your boat together. Use a long stick to free your boat from any hangups, such as downed branches.</i></p>
<p>C) Trap a Track <i>Gently sprinkle sand or flour around a place where you think animals likely frequent. Return each day to check for footprints. Use a good tracking guide to identify the tracks.</i></p>	<p>D) Flip a rock or dead tree, and sketch or photograph each animal species that you find. <i>Find as many under-log species as possible. Don't forget to put the object back!</i></p>
<p>E) Find a moon snail and watch it move across the sand. <i>Moon snails like sandy bottomed shallows in the ocean and harbors.</i></p>	<p>F) Watch the sun rise and set all on the same day! <i>Try using a compass to see what the bearing is of each and record the bearings and times.</i></p>
<p>G) Find and photograph (or sketch) middens made up of remnants of 3 different kinds of foods (like pine cones, hickory nuts, etc) and make an educated guess about what animal made them. <i>Later, investigate to see if you were right!</i></p>	<p>H) Go to an outdoor wild place and find the largest and smallest wild creatures you can. <i>Try looking closely at leaves and bark for small creatures. Choose a place to sit quietly and blend in.</i></p>