

CAMERA GAME

KS1 & KS2

Aim: To heighten children's appreciation of living animals and plants. It should make them more observant.

Key Messages: The game should be fun!

Preparation: None.

Equipment: Paper (approximate size of a photo), pencil and clipboard. You could use blindfolds.

Restrictions: None.

Teacher Notes: A very simple game to get children to appreciate the natural environment. Ask the children to pair up. One person should then take on the role of the camera and the other the photographer. Ask the 'photographers' to take their camera (their partner) off to find something to photograph. The camera should have their eyes shut. Once they have found an object they would like their camera to see they should put them in place to see the object. The photographer should tap the camera on their shoulder (press the shutter button) to indicate them to open their eyes. They must only keep their eyes open for about 3 seconds or so, just like a camera aperture. To shut the lens (to stop them looking) they should be tapped on their shoulder again. The children should then swap.

The children can either describe what they saw to the group or re-create what they saw by drawing a picture on the picture templates.

Further/Alternative study:

- Ask the children to look up into trees by lying down to get a different perspective on objects.
- Ask the children to take pictures on a particular theme.
- The children could create a story about their photographs.
- Seeds, grasses and twigs can be stuck to a piece of card to create a picture using natural objects i.e. a flower.

Photograph 1:

Photograph 2:

Photograph 3: