

## Search Scopes

### Overview:

The search scopes are used as a tool to help students engage more deeply with nature by changing the way they interact with their surroundings. It works great for many scavenger hunts and nature immersion activities that focus on sight or searching. It can also be used for games such as “I Spy”.

### Materials:

- Toilet paper rolls
- Decorating supplies (such as pre-cut construction paper, tape/glue, markers/coloured pencils/paint, stickers, etc.)
- String or ribbon
- Hole punch

### Instructions

1. Introduce the activity to students: before going out to complete our next activity, we need a tool to help us explore! It's kind of like binoculars, except without the zoom. Hold it up to one eye and close the other. Now focus closely on what you can see. This will help us focus our attention on a smaller area.
2. Decorate the search scope with markers and craft supplies
3. Attach a string so students can wear it around their necks. You can use a hole punch to attach the strings. Make sure the string doesn't obscure the hole of the tube (see middle image below).

