

# Galena Creek Visitor Center At-home Learning Activity Lesson Plan Base

## Write in Nature

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### Summary and Objective of Activity

Students will write whatever they feel when thinking about an aspect of nature. They will be able to make connections, and think through their relationship with nature. This will give them a chance to express their feelings with a healthy outlet. They will also be able to connect themselves to nature.

**Discipline or Subject Covered:**

Language Arts

**Grade Level:**

3-5

**Materials:**

- Pen/pencil
- Paper
- Optional: The great outdoors

**Procedure:**

Ideally students will be in nature, but this works anywhere.

1. Give students a word, prompt, situation to write about
  - a. Movement, listen, interact, teamwork, opportunities...
  - b. What/how are you feeling right now, can you connect that to an aspect of nature? How do we connect with nature? How do the elements in nature thrive...
  - c. What would you do if you were stranded alone in nature? If you were raised by wolves, what would you do? If you could be any animal, what would you be? And why...
2. The students will write a story about their word/prompt/situation and how it plays a role in nature.
3. Give them 5 minutes (of continuous writing) or 10 minutes to stop and think while writing their story. Students should connect themselves to nature during this writing.
4. Repeat
5. Sharing is optional
6. Students can build on their current story with a different word/prompt/situation as another round. Or students can start over with a new story.

**Discussion:**

Did you enjoy this activity? Why or why not? Is there anything you wanted to write about, but you didn't have time? What were you thinking about while you were writing?