

HABITAT SCAVENGER HUNT

The Talmud teaches that every creature has a purpose and we can learn lessons from observing them, such as “modesty from watching a cat, honesty from an ant, and loyalty from the dove” (Babylonian Talmud, Eruvin 100b). Get to know some of the local creatures and critters who live in your neighbourhood!

DURATION 20 minutes
AUDIENCE 4 years +
SETTING Outdoors
THEME Habitats

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1. Find a safe outdoor area to explore – a backyard, park, or even balcony with a potted plant will work! Bring the attached sheet and some pencils or markers to make notes and drawings of your observations.
2. Do the scavenger hunt as a group or split up into teams! Once you have found each clue, think about the answers to the questions underneath.
3. Discuss your findings!

MATERIALS

- Habitat Scavenger Hunt Sheet
- Pencils or markers
- Device with internet connection or local Field Guide Book



We'd love to see pictures of your adventures! Tag us on social media @ShoreshtO.

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"The righteous person is sensitive to the feelings of animals."

Mishlei (Proverbs) 12:10



1. **Find the tallest tree.**
What kind of creature might call that tree home?
2. **Find a drop of water.**
What kind of creature might drink from that drop?
3. **Find a log.**
What kind of creatures are hiding underneath?
4. **Find 3 different kinds of flowers.**
What creatures might be attracted to them?
5. **Find something that smells.**
Why do you think some plants have smells?
6. **Find somewhere sunny.**
 - a. *What creatures might look for sunny places?*
 - b. *What creatures might avoid sunny places?*
7. **Find a plant with lots of seeds.**
What kinds of creatures might eat those seeds?
8. **Find somewhere warm.**
What kind of creatures might you find there?
9. **Find a chewed up leaf (not by you!)**
What kinds of creature do you think ate that leaf?
10. **Find a plant with thorns.**
Why do you think some plants have thorns?
11. **Find an empty patch of soil.**
What kind of creatures do you think you will find if you start digging?
12. **Find something slimy.**
Why do you think some creatures are slimy?

