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Activity: **Neighborhood scavenger hunt**

Now that the weather has improved it's a good time to do outdoor activities.

Scavenger hunts are really fun for all ages and really gets children looking and listening at their surroundings and seeing things they might have missed otherwise. Also, scavenger hunts help them in orientation and mobility because they locate and are aware of objects that maybe they didn't know they were there or didn't know the importance of them (e.g. a stop sign or sidewalk bumps).

Here are two different ideas of scavenger hunts, one is with sounds and one is with objects.

Listening walk or noise scavenger hunt: here is a list you can print and find noises when you go for a walk. Talk to your children about the noises and where they come from (are they coming from a house, sky, road)

<https://docs.google.com/file/d/0B-cVjZBMBNNXbzdQREplVkwzaGc/edit>

Neighborhood scavenger hunt: you can print or draw the objects.

To make it easier, you don't need to print the list, just go for a walk and talk about the different objects out there. Then, when your child becomes more familiar with scavenger hunts, you can print or draw only a few items for your child to find.

AROUND THE TOWN *scavenger hunt*



flower pot



garbage can



fire hydrant



crosswalk



grass



fence



flag



lamp post



swing



mailbox



porch swing



bike



ball



basketball hoop



tree bark



stop sign



street signs



tricycle



playground



bricks