

# PREP + JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN

3 TO 5  
YEARS  
TRADITIONAL

## TREASURE MAPPING

### MATERIALS:

- PAPER BAG
- MARKERS OR CRAYONS
- STRING OR TWINE

### OBJECTIVES:

- UNDERSTANDING SPACIAL AWARENESS AND EARLY MEASUREMENT CONCEPTS
- RECOGNIZING EARTH/SPACE SYSTEMS
- ARTICULATION OF CONCEPTS
- CREATIVITY & PHYSICAL EXERCISE

### INSTRUCTIONS:

THIS ACTIVITY IS TO GET EVERYONE UP AND MOVING IN THE FRESH AIR AND SUNSHINE! PHYSICAL EXERCISE AND SPENDING TIME OUTDOORS IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH, WHICH IS EVEN MORE ESSENTIAL TO TAKE CARE OF NOW! WITH TREASURE MAPPING WE WILL EXPLORE SPATIAL CONCEPTS, LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT THROUGH GIVING DIRECTIONS, AND EVEN A LITTLE CREATIVITY.

- CUT THE BOTTOM OFF OF YOUR PAPER BAG, THEN CUT DOWN THE LENGTH OF IT SO YOU CAN OPEN IT UP TO A BIG, FLAT PIECE OF PAPER (LIKE A MAP!)
- TAKE A WALK THROUGH YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD WITH YOUR "MAP" AND A MARKER OR CRAYON AND ALONG YOUR WAY, MARK IMPORTANT LANDMARKS ON YOUR "MAP" (LIKE YOUR HOUSE, THE PLAYGROUND, YOUR FAVORITE TREE, ETC.)
- DRAW A DOTTED LINE TO MAP THE PATH YOU WALKED, PASSING BY ALL THE IMPORTANT LANDMARKS, SO SOMEONE COULD FOLLOW YOUR MAP TO WALK THE SAME ROUTE YOU WALKED
- MARK YOUR FAVORITE SPOT WITH A BIG STAR TO INDICATE THIS SPOT IS SPECIAL, LIKE A TREASURE!
- WHEN YOU'RE FINISHED, CRUMPLE UP YOUR MAP SO IT LOOKS OLD...LIKE A PIRATE MAP!
- AND THEN ROLL IT UP INTO A TUBE AND TIE IT CLOSED WITH YOUR STRING

**DON'T FORGET TO TALK ABOUT YOUR ADVENTURE! WHAT DID YOU SEE ALONG THE WAY?**

We'd love to see photos of your at home learning! Tag us on Facebook and Instagram with hashtag #MeritSchoolAtHome

