

DEECYDA SCAVENGER HUNT PRINTABLE GUIDE

A Fun, Hands-On Activity for Curious Little Learners



Our DeeCyDa Scavenger Hunt printable is designed to help children explore, observe, think, and move while having fun. This activity supports early learning skills such as focus, problem-solving, language development, teamwork, and confidence — all through simple, playful discovery.

Whether used in the classroom, at home, or during a daycare activity session, this printable gives children a fun reason to look closely at their environment and celebrate small discoveries along the way.

Activity Goal

The goal of this scavenger hunt is to encourage children to:

- Notice details around them
- Practice listening and following directions
- Build vocabulary through naming objects
- Strengthen observation and matching skills
- Work independently or with friends
- Feel proud when they complete each item

This activity is not about rushing. It is about exploring, thinking, and enjoying the process.

Recommended Age Group

This printable works best for:

Preschoolers: 3 to 5 years old

Children in this age group can recognize familiar objects, follow simple instructions, and enjoy checking off each discovery.

For younger toddlers, teachers or parents can guide them step by step. For older children, you can turn it into a teamwork challenge or add simple questions after each item.

How to Use the Printable

Start by giving each child a copy of the scavenger hunt page. Explain that they will be looking for different objects, colors, shapes, or classroom items.

Use simple instructions such as:

“Today we are going on a little discovery adventure. When you find something on your page, you can point to it, color it, or check it off.”

Children can complete the printable by:

- Circling the items they find
- Coloring each item after finding it
- Placing a sticker next to each discovery
- Checking off each box with help from a teacher
- Sharing what they found with the group

Keep the activity light, fun, and encouraging.

Suggested Activity Flow

1. Warm-Up: Get Excited

Gather the children in a small group and introduce the scavenger hunt.

You can say:

"Today, we are going to use our detective eyes. We will look around, find special things, and celebrate every discovery."

Show them the printable and briefly review the items together.

2. Explore: Let Children Search

Allow children to walk around safely and look for the items on the page.

Depending on the space, this can be done in the classroom, play area, reading corner, outdoor area, or activity room.

Teachers can support children by asking gentle prompts:

- "Where do you think we might find this?"
- "What color is that?"
- "Does this look the same as the picture?"
- "Can you show me what you found?"

Avoid giving answers too quickly. Let children try, guess, and explore first.

3. Check Off: Celebrate Each Find

When a child finds an item, help them mark it on the printable. Use stickers, crayons, stamps, or check marks.

Positive encouragement can sound like:

- "Great noticing!"
- "You found it all by yourself."
- "Nice detective work."
- "I love how carefully you looked."

The goal is to build confidence, not competition.

4. Share: Talk About Discoveries

After the activity, bring the children back together and invite them to share one thing they found.

Ask simple reflection questions:

- "What was your favorite thing to find?"
- "Was anything tricky to find?"
- "What color did you see the most?"
- "Did you help a friend find something?"

This turns the printable into a language-building and social-emotional learning activity.

Teacher Tips

For a smoother activity, prepare the space before starting. Make sure all listed items are visible, safe, and age-appropriate.

Keep children in small groups if the room is busy. This helps them stay focused and gives teachers more opportunities to guide each child.

For younger children, complete the scavenger hunt together as a group. For older preschoolers, allow more independent exploration.

You can also laminate the printable and use dry-erase markers so the activity can be reused.

Safety Guidelines

Children should always be supervised during the scavenger hunt.

Remind them to:

- Walk, not run
- Use gentle hands
- Stay inside the activity area
- Ask for help if something is too high or hard to reach
- Keep small items out of their mouths

The activity should feel exciting, but still calm and safe.

Learning Benefits

This printable supports several important early childhood skills:

Observation Skills

Children practice looking closely and noticing details.

Language Development

Children learn and repeat words related to objects, colors, shapes, and actions.

Focus and Attention

Children stay engaged while searching for each item.

Fine Motor Skills

Coloring, circling, checking, or placing stickers supports hand control.

Social Skills

Children can work together, take turns, and celebrate each other's discoveries.

Confidence

Every completed item gives children a small win.



SUMMER TREASURE HUNT!



Explore outside and find all the treasures!

Check off each item as you find it!

☐

Find a
flower


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Find a
giant tree


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Find a
slide


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Find
water


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Find a
butterfly


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Find a
bird


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Find something
red


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Find rocks
or pebbles


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Find something
that smells good


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Find an
ant


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Find something
that makes
noise


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Find a
swing


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Find something
soft


☐

Find a
pinecone


☐

Find a
sunny spot


☐

Find something
green



Great job, explorer!



Park SCAVENGER HUNT



☐ Bench



☐ See Saw



☐ Trees



☐ Swing



☐ Dog On A Leash



☐ Bridge



☐ Gate



☐ Slide



☐ Butterfly



☐ Scooter



☐ Bike



☐ Recycling Bin



☐ Pinecone



☐ Trash Can



☐ Picnic Table



☐ Leaf



☐ Merry Go Round



☐ Ladybug



☐ Spider Web



☐ Yellow Flower



☐ Wooden Fence



☐ Puddle



☐ Water Fountain



☐ Rock





OUTDOOR SUMMER

BUCKET LIST

for Kids Ages 3-5



1 Blow bubbles

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2 Chase butterflies

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3 Pick wildflowers

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4 Find a ladybug

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5 Jump in puddles

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6 Collect pretty rocks

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7 Hug a tree

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8 Ride a tricycle

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9 Fly a kite

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10 Watch birds

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11 Have a picnic

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12 Play with water toys

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13 Build a sandcastle

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14 Go on a nature walk

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15 Find shapes in clouds

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16 Plant a flower

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17 Draw with sidewalk chalk

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18 Spot a squirrel

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19 Pick berries

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20 Watch a sunset

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MAKE MEMORIES, PLAY OUTSIDE, HAVE FUN!



MY SUMMER ADVENTURE LIST



LET'S MAKE THIS SUMMER THE BEST ONE YET!

☐  Eat ice cream	☐  Fly a kite	☐  Have a picnic	☐  Eat watermelon	☐  Catch fireflies
☐  Build a sandcastle	☐  Play in the sand	☐  Have a water fight	☐  Go on a bike ride	☐  Have a movie night
☐  Go camping	☐  Take lots of pictures	☐  Go on a nature walk	☐  Make popsicles	☐  Collect seashells
☐  Wear flip flops	☐  Make lemonade	☐  Build a blanket fort	☐  Run through the sprinkler	☐  Watch a sunset
☐  Visit a playground	☐  Play catch every day	☐  Bake something yummy	☐  Make a summer jar	☐  Go on a road trip



YOUR IDEAS:

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| ☒ 1. _____ | ☒ _____ |
| ☒ 2. _____ | ☒ _____ |
| ☒ 3. _____ | ☒ _____ |





SUMMER BINGO!



Find something that matches each picture.
Mark it with an X! 5 in a row wins!



BEACH BALL



SUNGLASSES



SANDCASTLE



FLIP FLOPS



ICE CREAM



BEACH BUCKET



CRAB



SUNSCREEN



WATERMELON



SNORKEL



POPSICLE



SEASHELL



FREE
SPACE



BEACH UMBRELLA



STARFISH



CAMERA



PALM TREE



LEMONADE



BEACH TOWEL



KITE



SUN HAT



POOL FLOAT



OCEAN WAVES



PINEAPPLE



BEACH BAG



HAVE A SUNNY & FUN SUMMER! ♥

