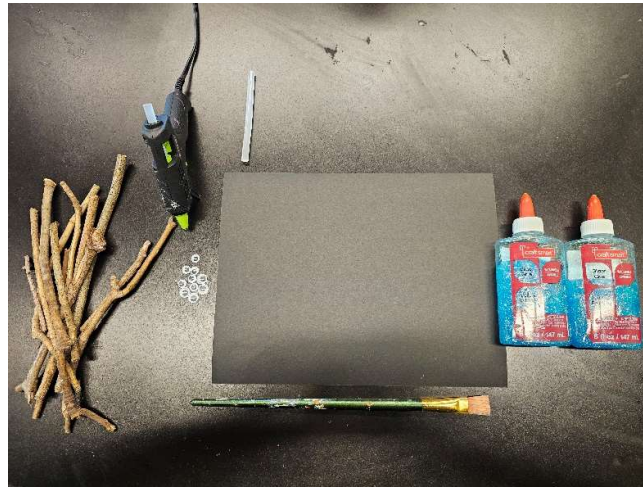


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Hello agents! This month's theme for Mission Conservation is Dark Skies, Bright Futures! Animals have all sorts of adaptations that help them survive and thrive during the night!

Outdoor Activity: Making a Nocturnal Habitat



This activity teaches you how to make your own nocturnal habitat like you could possibly see in the woods!

Materials:

- Black construction paper
- Twigs/small sticks
- Glitter glue
- Paint brush
- Googly eyes
- Hot glue gun

Procedure:

1. Go outside and gather some twigs/small sticks. Try to gather a variety of shapes and sizes!

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2. Pour glitter glue on a black piece of construction paper.
3. Use paint brush and spread the glue around the paper, making sure the glitter is evenly spread throughout the paper.



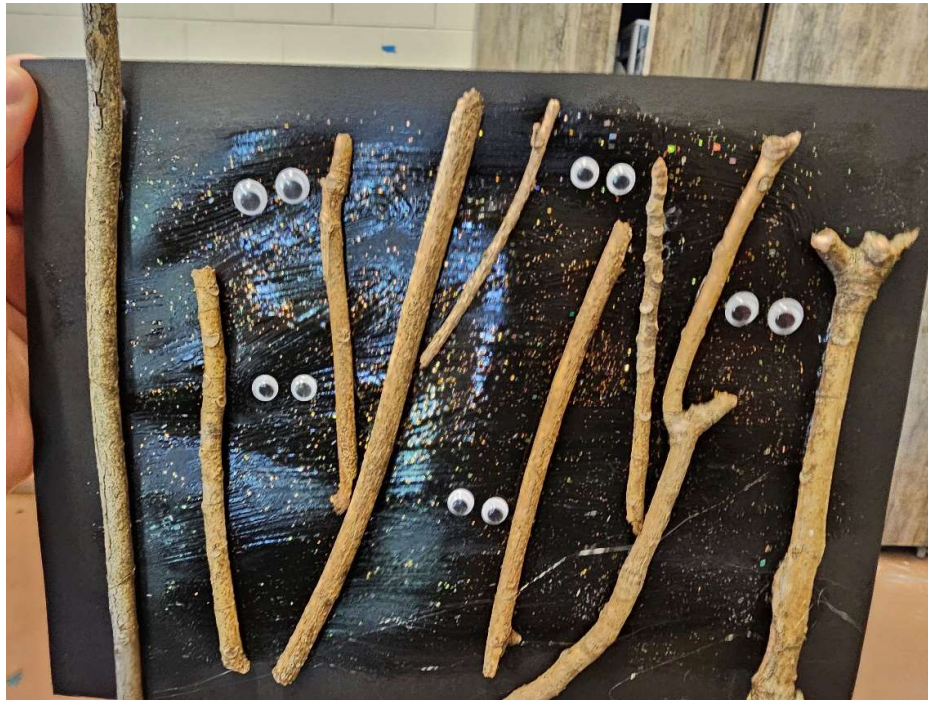
4. Use hot glue gun to glue on twigs/small sticks resembling trees. Attach sticks together to resemble branches of a tree. Get creative! (Adult supervision may be necessary during this step)



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5. Attach googly eyes to the paper in sets of 2, to show the creatures that potentially are active at night!



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Indoor Activity: Echolocation Tag



Bats use a special ability called echolocation to find tasty insects to eat, so why can't we? Let's play a game to see how echolocation might work!

How to Play:

1. Gather a group of people to play. At least two are needed, but the more the merrier!
2. Choose one person to be a "bat" or the tagger, and everyone else playing is a "moth" or players trying to avoid being tagged!
3. The bat (tagger) will use a blindfold of some sort or cover their eyes the entire time during the game.
4. The bat will clap their hands once as loud as they can and then listen closely for a response. All the other players (moths) will then clap their hands once in response.
5. Using only sound, the bat will try to find and tag the moths!
6. Once tagged, a moth can either become a bat or be "out" for the remainder of the game, it's up to the players!

We hope you enjoyed the activity guide this month! Don't forget to check out the at-home mission for this month! To see a list of our other missions, or to learn more about Wonders of Wildlife, visit us at

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