

WHEN EXPLORING BEYOND YOUR  
DOOR, REMEMBER TO:

1. Respect your surroundings
2. Leave nature the way you found it
3. Avoid touching or picking up something if you don't know what it is
4. Observe from a safe distance
5. Properly discard of any trash you find (you may need gloves or a grabber)

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EXAMPLE:

Date & Time:	April 19, 2020; 5:00pm
Location:	Kaden's neighborhood
Weather:	55 °F, sunny
Observations:	<p>Red-backed salamander</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It was very small, about the size of my finger.</li><li>• It was dark with a bright red back.</li><li>• It was living under a dead log.</li></ul>  <p>Mushrooms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• They were white with yellow caps.</li><li>• They were growing out of the side of the dead log.</li><li>• They grew together in a bunch.</li></ul> 

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