Journey Sticks

Activities
Hiking
60
Can be combined with trails to get them to follow a trail/lay a trail and pick up an item from the area around a trail sign - helps them look for interesting objects that they would describe in a hike log when they eventually become Scouts.
Different coloured wool of about 1m in length
 Cubs to find for themselves a 50cm – 1m long stick Tell them to collect objects around the area as you lead them around/take a hike. These objects will remind them about places in the veldt/area that you are hiking in. Children then collect feathers, dried flower heads, grass bark, leaves etc. attaching them to their stick as they go by using the wool to wrap around them
At the end of the walk, the children use the objects to tell about their journey. Alternatively, you could encourage them to remember where they found particular objects by getting individuals to lead the rest of the group to the spot.

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