

NatureLynx

Outdoor Activity



The NatureLynx app was developed specifically to document and share collective observations of Alberta's wildlife. It is a great tool to learn more about your local species while contributing to collecting data documenting Alberta's biodiversity. In this activity, you will be joining a specific class mission capturing observations of your local species.

Curriculum: Science, Biology, Wellness

Materials: phone/tablet, NatureLynx app (free)

Instructions:

- Download the NatureLynx app on the App Store or Google Play.
- Sign up on the app. You can also sign up on-line [here](#).
- **TEACHER:** create a specific mission for your class. Give it a name specific to your school and share this with your students.
- **STUDENTS:** once you have the app, touch the two-person icon at the bottom of your screen. This will take you to mission groups. Look for your class mission name provided to you by your teacher and request to join the group.
- Now you are ready to start recording your observations! Go for a daily walk and look for signs of wildlife, plants, insects etc. in your local neighbourhood. Take photos and upload them to your group mission. Collectively you will be documenting your local biodiversity.
- Scroll through your class's observations. Whom do you share your nearby nature with? What is the most common observation? What surprised you? Have you observed any species you have not noticed before?
- Have fun! NatureLynx is a great tool to learn about your wildlife neighbours and from other curious people.