

Nature Journaling and Dichotomous Keys for the Classroom

Think of the games "Telephone" and "Pictionary" combined!

Materials:

- 1 Steno sketch pad
- 1 Plant ID picture
- 1 pack of colored pencils
- 1 pencil per person



Procedure:

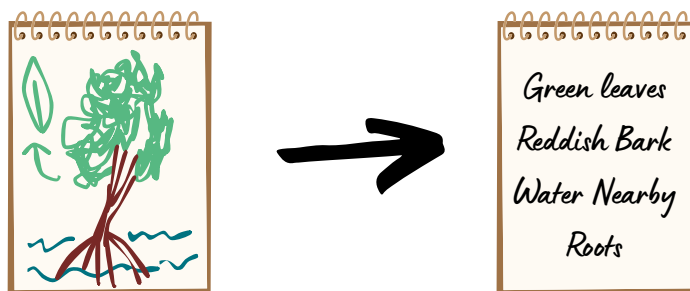
Sketch Pad Page 1

1. **Person 1** starts with the plant ID picture of an unknown Everglades plant, the sketch pad, and writing/coloring utensils. This person will be the only person in the group to see the real plant ID picture.
2. **Person 1** will have 1 minute to look at the plant ID picture, and to draw the plant on the sketch pad using the provided colored pencils and pencil. **Person 1** cannot use any words or numbers for description.
3. After the 1 minute, the sketch pad will be passed to the next person (**person 2**).



Sketch Pad Page 2

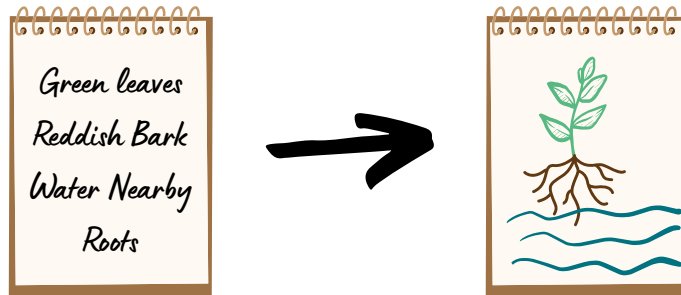
1. **Person 2** will have 1 minute to look at the drawing from **person 1**. **Person 2** may NOT look at the plant ID picture and can only look at the drawing from **person 1**.
2. **Person 2** will have 1 minute to describe the plant that was drawn by **person 1** using only words and numbers, NO drawings.
3. After 1 minute, **person 2** will pass the sketch pad to the next person (**person 3**).



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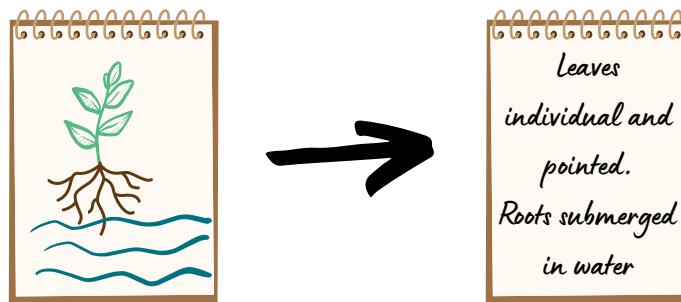
Sketch Pad Page 3

1. **Person 3** will have 1 minute to draw the plant based only on the description from **person 2** and may NOT view the plant ID picture OR the drawing from **person 1**.
2. After 1 minute, **person 3** will pass the sketch pad to **person 4**.



Sketch Pad Page 4

1. **Person 4** will have 1 minute to describe the drawing by **person 3** using only words and numbers, no drawings. **Person 4** may NOT look at the work from **person 1** or **person 2** OR the original plant ID picture.
2. Continue until everyone in the group has had a turn with the sketch pad.
3. After everyone in the group has had a turn, the last person with the sketch pad must guess what plant was on the original plant ID picture!



Reminder: Only **person 1** sees the real plant ID picture!

The last person in your group should try to guess the plant species from the sketch pad drawings and descriptions (this could be **person 3**, **person 4**, or **person 5** depending on your group size and who goes last).