

RHS GARDEN ROSEMOOR

Self Guided Activity Ideas for Schools

Key Stage 2

VIEWPOINTS

How long will it take?

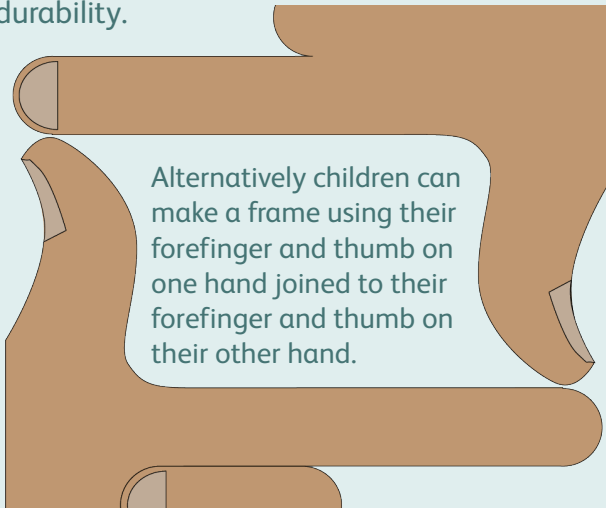
30 minutes to 1 hour

What do I need to bring?

- Cardboard frames,
- Paper and clipboards or sketch books,
- Choice of art media

How do we do it?

Make frames to help the children focus a view. These can simply be made by cutting a rectangular aperture out of an A5 or A4 piece of card. Laminate these for durability.



On your pre-visit choose areas on which you wish the children to focus on.

Follow Up Activities

- Use the frames and your imagination to find shapes, patterns, faces, creatures in the garden.
- Divide into pairs, one person is the camera and one the photographer. The camera closes their eyes whilst the photographer sets them up for a picture (close up or view). When they feel they have set their camera they can tap the camera who opens their eyes for 10 seconds. This can be repeated a few times and then the pair can swap roles. When finished the camera can choose their favourite and develop it by drawing the picture from their memory.



Where can we do it?

All around the garden

When can we do it?

All year round

Here are some ideas for view points:

- The silhouettes of leafless trees provide great opportunity for line/pen and ink drawings.
- An area of tree bark drawn using shading and cross hatching techniques.
- Ripples and reflections on water, perhaps using chalk or charcoal.
- A section of leaf.
- A long distant view/ a close up view/ a section of a plant.