



GET
ADVENTUROUS



45 MINUTES



PREPARATION
NEEDED

WE'RE GOING ON A BEAR HUNT



AIM

This activity requires some brave Anchors to head out into their community to track down some escaped bears, round them up and bring them back home. From brown bears to polar bears, can you find them all?

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- > 'We're Going On a Bear Hunt' Activity Sheet
- > 10 'You've Found a Bear' Images
- > Pen
- > Blu-tac, Pins, Tape etc

GET ADVENTUROUS: WE'RE GOING ON A BEAR HUNT

THEME: EXPLORING THE WORLD AROUND ME



LEADER PREPARATION

A leader will need to print out the 10 'You've Found a Bear' images and place these in locations around your local area. Copies of the 'We're Going On a Bear Hunt' activity sheet will also need to be printed.



Download 'We're Going On a Bear Hunt' Activity Sheet & 'You've Found a Bear' Images



GETTING INTO THE ACTIVITY

- 1 A leader should select an appropriate location for the bear hunt. This could be at your local park or the streets near your meeting location. If you aren't able to get outside, then this activity could also be set up inside your meeting space.
- 2 Once a location/route have been chosen, a leader should place the 10 'You've Found a Bear' images along the route. This might be by attaching them to trees, fence posts, inside shop windows (with permission), on lampposts etc.
- 3 Children should be given copies of the 'We're Going On a Bear Hunt' activity sheet.
- 4 Before starting the activity, ask the children how many different types of bears they can name. Which bears do they think they will find on their bear hunt?
- 5 Leaders should walk the children along the route, instructing children to keep an eye out for bears along the way. Their job is to try and find all 10 bears and tick them off on their sheet. Who will be the first to spot the bear each time?
- 6 Each time a bear has been found, encourage the group to take a look at what type of bear it is and the 'Did You Know?' facts too. Ask one child to read out the facts to the rest of the group. What can you learn along the way?
- 7 Complete the challenge, trying to find all 10 bears before making it back home.



DID YOU KNOW?

- **Bears are clever.** They are great navigators, and have excellent memories.
- Bears can use '**tools**' to help them play and hunt.
- Bears have brilliant **smell, sight and hearing.**
- Brown, Black and Polar bears all **hibernate** for the winter, sleeping for around **100 days.**



IDEAS TO TAKE THIS FURTHER...

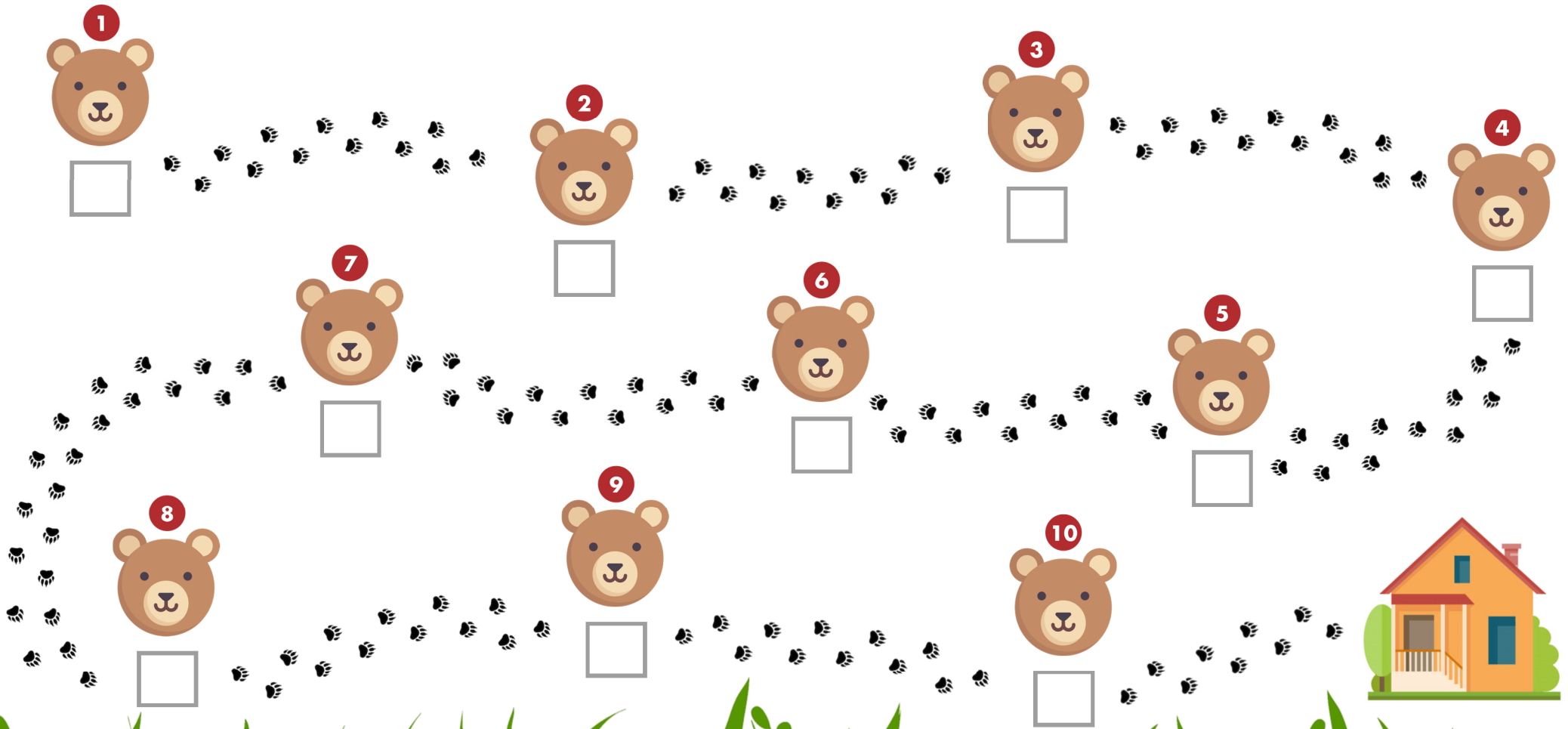
Before or after the activity read the well-known children's story 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen. The group could complete the actions that go with the story too.



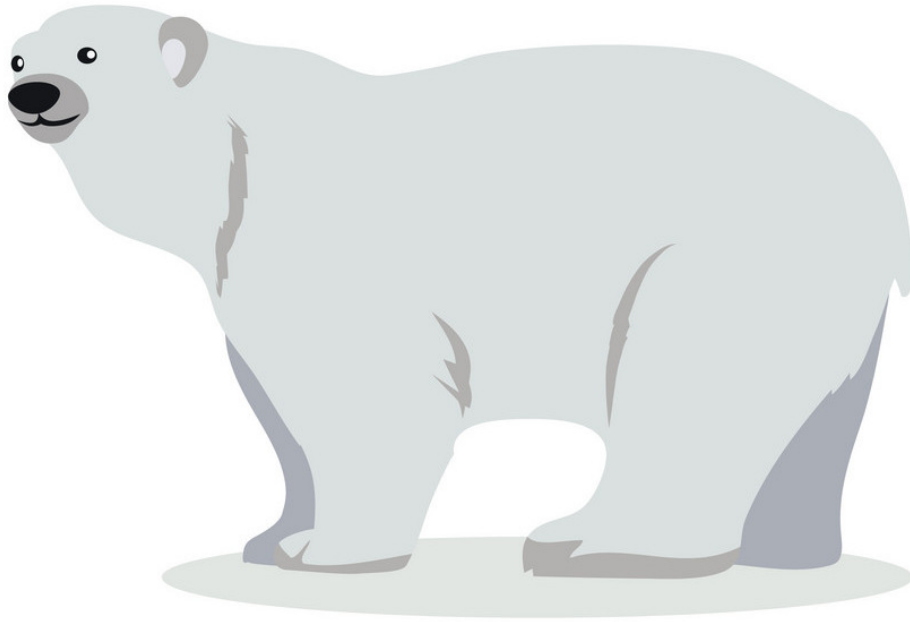
KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE

Please ensure the route being used is safe and appropriate, with the activity being risk-assessed. This activity may require more leaders than a normal meeting, to help supervise children when out and about.

WE'RE GOING ON A BEAR HUNT



YOU'VE FOUND A BEAR!



POLAR BEAR

DID YOU KNOW?

- Polar bears have black skin.
- Male polar bears can grow to 3 metres long and weigh as much as 10 men (800kg+).



YOU'VE FOUND A BEAR!



GIANT PANDA

DID YOU KNOW?

- Giant pandas spend up to 10-16 hours a day eating, mostly on bamboo.
- On average, pandas poo 40 times a day!



YOU'VE FOUND A BEAR!



PUDSEY BEAR

DID YOU KNOW?

- Pudsey Bear is the mascot for BBC's Children in Need.
- Pudsey is nearly 40 years old and he has helped to raise hundreds of millions of pounds for charity.



YOU'VE FOUND A BEAR!



BLACK BEAR

DID YOU KNOW?

- American black bears spend the winter in hibernation, meaning they go to sleep for a few months.
- Black bears can climb trees and will even take a nap up there too.



YOU'VE FOUND A BEAR!



PADDINGTON BEAR

DID YOU KNOW?

- Paddington is a spectacled bear from Peru. His favourite food is marmalade sandwiches.
- Paddington's books have sold over 30 million copies worldwide



YOU'VE FOUND A BEAR!



PO

DID YOU KNOW?

- Po is a giant panda that features in the film 'Kung Fu Panda'.
- His full name is Master Po Ping.



YOU'VE FOUND A BEAR!



BROWN BEAR

DID YOU KNOW?

- Brown bears have an incredible sense of smell, often smelling prey from 20 miles away.
- Brown bears can run at speeds of up to 35mph. That's much quicker than we can run!



YOU'VE FOUND A BEAR!



WINNIE THE POOH

DID YOU KNOW?

- Winnie The Pooh was inspired from a teddy bear, as were most of his friends like Tigger, Eeyore and Piglet.
- Winnie got his name from a black bear that was living in London Zoo.



YOU'VE FOUND A BEAR!



KOALA BEAR

DID YOU KNOW?

- Koalas aren't actually bears and in fact have more in common with a kangaroo than a bear!
- Koalas can sleep up to 18-20 hours a day. This is to help save valuable energy.



YOU'VE FOUND A BEAR!



LOTSO

DID YOU KNOW?

- Lotso appears in Toy Story 3 and is a large, pink strawberry-scented teddy bear.
- Whilst soft and huggable on the outside, Lotso wasn't quite as nice on the inside and made life hard for others.

