

Indoor Camping Activity Pack



VACATION CARE AND THEME-DAY RESOURCES

AGES 5–12

120 MIN

LOW PREP

YOUR INVITATION

Choose stations and roles. Make tabletop paper shelter models; use the supplied cards for pretend supplies, stories and routes.

PASS · DRAW · DICTATE · WORK BESIDE SOMEONE · JOIN LATER

Plan the session

STATION 1

CAMP MAP: mark boundaries and exits

STATION 2

SHELTER: tabletop or low cardboard design

STATION 3

SUPPLY SORT: choose five of ten picture cards

STATION 4

STORY CIRCLE: fictional adventure prompt

STATION 5

NAVIGATION: follow a floor-symbol route

STATION 6

QUIET CORNER: reading or drawing choice

STATION 7

TEAM TASK: deliver a message safely

STATION 8

PACK-DOWN: count, flatten and return

Finished—or ready to pause?

Write a camp schedule.



Educator guide



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Why this works here

The pack supplies the maps, drawing spaces and cards needed for a pretend indoor camping session, alongside educator instructions and a timed example.

How to run it

Start with the camp map and a tabletop shelter model. Use the supplied picture, story, route and message cards for the stations that fit today. Offer reading or drawing throughout. Page 11 gives preparation and a 120-minute example; adjust it to attendance and space.

Materials

A4 or Letter paper, pencils, scrap paper or clean lightweight card, tape, optional books and counters. Adults can cut the printed cards in advance; scissors are optional. Picture supplies are pretend items, not a requirement to bring real camping equipment.

Simpler way to join

Use a tabletop tent model and picture supply cards.

More challenge

Add a budget, weather scenario or accessible route redesign.

Two useful extensions

1. Write a camp schedule. 2. Create a map key for another group.

Safety boundary

Keep real exits, sightlines, alarms and fixtures clear. Build tabletop models only; do not attach fabric to furniture or fixtures or cover anyone's head. Use pictures for supply sorting. The first-aid-kit picture is a pretend planning choice, not permission to open or use real medical supplies. Adults manage any cutting and room movement under local procedures.

CUT OFF · KEEP WITH THE ACTIVITY · LAMINATE IF USEFUL

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AGES 5-12 · 120 MIN · SMALL GROUP OR WHOLE GROUP

- 1 Plan an indoor camping session with construction, storytelling, navigation and quieter choices.
- 2 Start with the camp map and a tabletop shelter model. Use the supplied picture, story, route and message cards for the stations that fit today. Offer reading or drawing throughout. Page 11 gives preparation and a 120-minute example; adjust it to attendance and space.
- 3 Safety: Keep real exits, sightlines, alarms and fixtures clear. Build tabletop models only; do not attach fabric to furniture or fixtures or cover anyone's head. Use pictures for supply sorting. The first-aid-kit picture is a pretend planning choice, not permission to open or use real medical supplies. Adults manage any cutting and room movement under local procedures.

