

## Outdoor Learning Experience (3 years)

<b>Learning experience:</b> Nature's Noises	<b>Shared by:</b> Shaireen Selamat
<b>Environment:</b> Outdoor garden area	<b>Estimated time:</b> 30 minutes
<b>Children's prior experience:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children are familiar with the garden and know how to navigate it safely</li> <li>• Strength and co-ordination to open and close the sections of the egg</li> </ul>	<b>Suitable for:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 24 – 36 months old</li> </ul>
<b>What children will experience:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children will exercise their observation skills and look for objects in nature. Children will discover things in nature that can make a sound.</li> </ul>	<b>EYDF Pillars:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Developing Child</li> <li>• The Intentional Programme</li> </ul>
<b>What you will need:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plastic eggs</li> </ul>	<b>Benefit - Risk Assessment:</b>  <u>Benefit:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children will enjoy finding objects in nature. They will start to observe the things around them more intentionally.</li> </ul> <u>Risk:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wandering too far out of sight</li> <li>• Insect bites</li> <li>• Scratches from sharp branches on plants</li> </ul> <u>Management:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure children know the boundaries of the space they can walk within.</li> <li>• Check area first to identify presence of ant nests etc.</li> </ul>

**How to make it happen:**

1. Give each child a plastic egg. Let them roam around the garden for things that can be put in the plastic egg. Have them shake it to discover whether it makes a sound.
2. Have the children guess what is in their friend's egg.
3. Ask questions to have them predict the object.
  - a. "Do you think it's hard or soft?"
  - b. "Do you think its heavy or light?"
4. Have them match the eggs as they think if they contain similar objects.
5. Open the eggs up and show its contents. Use descriptive language to describe the contents and the sound it makes.