

DOWN'S FARM PRESERVE FAMILY

SCAVENGER HUNT

(Intermediate Level)

Your team will attempt to find all of the items, answer all of the questions, and complete all of the tasks listed.

TASK #1: Name your team – The Downs Farm Trail Challenge begins at the start of the trail. Your first task is to decide on a Team Name. Your Team Name must include at least six letters. Write the Team Name here:

TEAM NAME: _____

TEAM MEMBERS: _____

REMEMBER TO STAY ON THE TRAIL TO AVOID POISON IVY



TASK #2: I spy with my little eye! Begin walking the trail. When you find Trail Marker #1 on the left side of the trail- STOP! Take 20 giant steps forward. Begin looking for the following items.



___ Plant with berries

___ Something bumpy

___ Something red

___ Bird singing

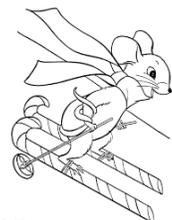
Describe the song _____

___ A flying insect

___ Old farm equipment

___ 'Skis' for a mouse
(Be creative)

___ A hole in a tree



Task #3: Family word fun and color collection! Continue walking on the trail as it bends. When you reach Trail Marker #2 complete the following task.

For each letter in the word “FRIEND”, write down an animal that begins with that letter:

F _____
R _____
I _____
E _____
N _____
D _____

Next, find and put in your bag

- 1 red leaf
- 1 orange leaf
- 1 green leaf
- 1 brown leaf

(Remember to only find leaves on the trail... don't pick any off the plants)

Task #4: Use your senses! Continue down the trail, past Trail Marker #3 quite a bit. While you are walking use your senses to find the following items. Be sure to stay left on the BLUE trail.



_____ Two different birds flying

_____ Home for an owl

_____ 5 acorns

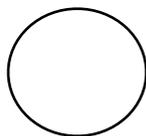
_____ A leaf with smooth edges

_____ A leaf with pointy edges

_____ A twig in the shape of a “Y”

_____ Something round

_____ A tree with two trunks



Task #5: Alone on an island! Continue on the trail until you reach Trail Marker #4. Walk over the bridge onto the island. Once you are across do or find the following things/ items.



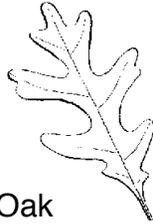
_____ Complete 10 jumping jacks

_____ Find a tree with smooth bark

_____ Find Phragmites
(*common reed found near water*)

_____ A plant with blue berries

_____ A white oak leaf



White Oak

_____ Think of 3 words that rhyme
with TREE

Task #6: Make a Wish! Go back out onto the main trail and turn left. Follow the trail, away from the water, and look for a tree on the left side of the trail that has 3 trunks growing out of one tree! This is called a coppiced tree. The hole in the center of the tree is called a fairy hole.

Make one wish while waving your hand over the fairy hole. Remember to keep it a secret! Put a check here when everybody has made a wish _____



Task #7: Next, walk a bit further up the trail, away from the water, until you reach Trail Marker #5. Go ahead and sit on the bench. Shut your eyes and listen.

Name 3 different things that you heard?

Task #8: Look high, look low! Continue traveling down the path. Eventually you will come to a 4-way intersection. There will be a small post with a red trail marker and a blue trail marker on it. Follow the trail to the right along the the **BLUE** trail. While walking down the long trail find or do the following:



____ A BIG nest in a tree made from leaves
(This is a squirrel's nest and is called a drey)

____ Something pointy

____ Vine growing up a tree

____ Lichen



____ Sing "Mary had a Little Lamb"



____ Hole in a tree

____ Something bright green

____ Something soft

____ Collect 2 hickory nuts each

____ Bird in a tree



Answer this riddle:

On a clear night, are those famous people you can see in the sky?

When you have completed this task, place a check mark here ____

Answer this riddle:

I have a trunk but I'm not an elephant. I have branches but I'm not a bank. I have bark but no bite. What am I? _____

CONGRATULATIONS!
YOU AND YOUR TEAM MEMBERS HAVE SUCCESSFULLY
COMPLETED THE DOWNS FARM PRESERVE FAMILY NATURE
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