# Great Outdoors: Close to nature

# **Activity Information Sheet:**



**Activity:** 

People talk about their passion for nature

**Duration:** 

20 minutes

Resources:

6 sound recordings which can be paused and replayed to clarify and discuss what has been heard.

A printable PDF of photos to talk about, if further prompts are required.

Extras:

Notebook or recording device to share stories about people's experiences of the natural world.

## **Activity aim:**

- To listen to a variety of sound recordings which describe people's interest in nature.
- To recall stories about landscapes, plants, insects and animals.

#### Instructions:

- 1. Be still and quiet for a minute and listen to the sounds around you.
- Explain that you are going to listen to some sound recordings where people talk about their passion for nature. These include watching badgers for the first time, recording seals on a beach, studying lichens, the joy of fields, catching butterflies and rambling around the county.
- 3. Look at the photos and talk about personal connections to landscapes, plants, insects and animals. Play the sound clips, pausing and replaying as appropriate.

### **Topics for discussion:**

- Do you have a passion for something outdoors?
- What fascinates you about nature?
- Have you ever had a close encounter with wildlife?
- How does being outdoors make you feel?
- What was your favourite sound recording and why?