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Backyard Camp Out



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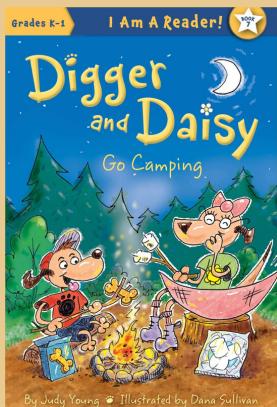
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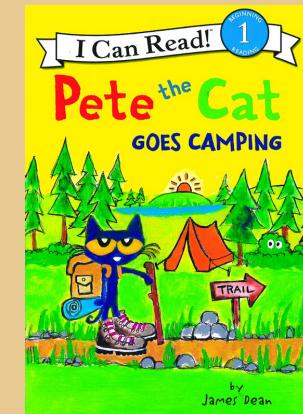
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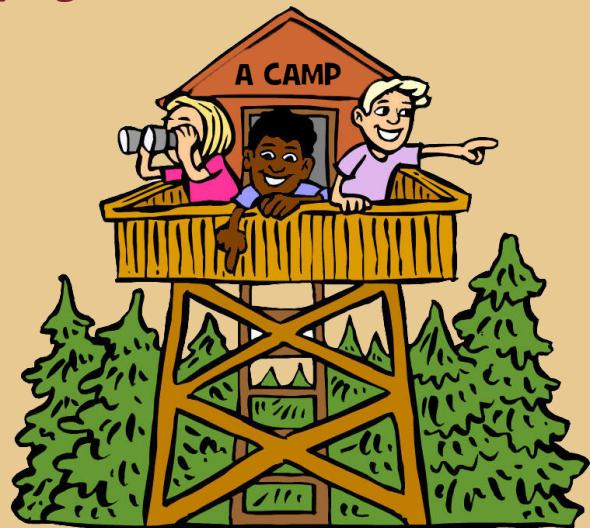
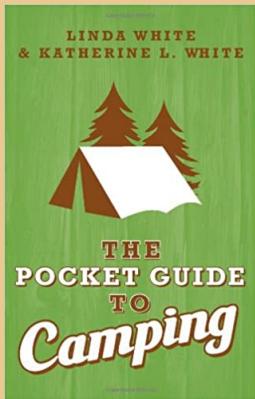
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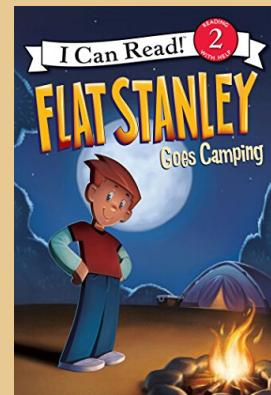
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Flat Stanley Goes Camping

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Craft & Cook

DIY S'mores Solar Oven

Supplies

Cardboard box with attached lid. Box should be at least 3 inches deep.

Clear plastic wrap

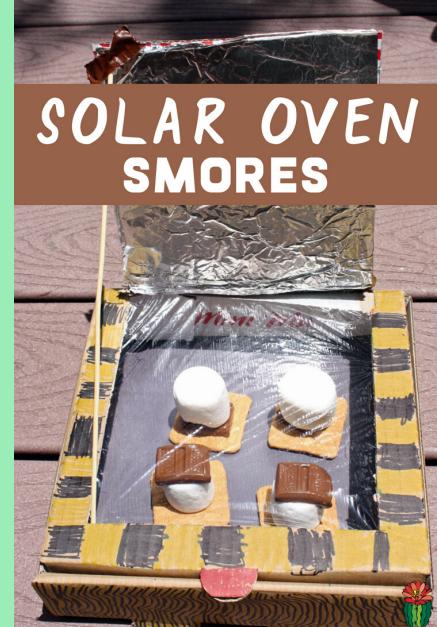
Aluminum foil

Black paper Tape (transparent tape, duct tape, masking tape or whatever you have)

Wooden skewer, stick or pencil

Scissors or Xacto knife (Adult use only please)

Ingredients for S'mores (graham crackers, jumbo marshmallows, chocolate candy bars)

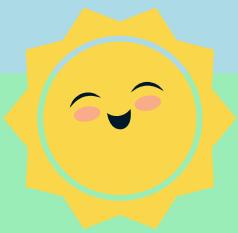


Directions

Make the Oven:

1. Line the inside of the cardboard box with black paper. A shoe box or pizza box works well because the lid stays attached.
2. With scissors or Xacto knife (with adult help), cut a three-sided flap out of the top side of the box, leaving at least a 1-inch border around the three sides.
3. On the inside of the box, cover the opening under the flap with plastic wrap and tape or glue it in place.
4. Cover the flap with aluminum foil. Make sure the foil is flat and smooth as possible to make it like a mirror.
5. Using the wooden skewer or stick, prop the flap open. You may use tape or glue to make the stick stay put.
6. Continue onto the next page to put the oven to work!





Directions (continued)

DIY S'mores Solar Oven



Put the Oven to Work!:

1. Set the oven in the direct sun, with the flap propped to reflect the light in the box. Preheat the oven for at least 30 minutes.
2. Break the graham cracker in half to make squares and place inside your solar oven with a jumbo marshmallow on top of each cracker. Don't add the chocolate yet, it will melt very quickly in the sun. Place your solar oven in direct sunlight with the flap open. Let it cook.
3. The marshmallows will take anywhere from 30 – 60 minutes to cook. Once the marshmallows are squishy, open the lid and place a piece of chocolate on top. Place another graham cracker on top of the chocolate and press down to squash the marshmallow.
4. Enjoy!

Listen



A Camping We Will Go

by The Kiboomers

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Alphabet Hike

Find various items with names that begin with each letter of the alphabet. Go in order from A to Z.



Discover

Nighttime Camping Activities

1. Make shadow puppets.
2. Go for a nighttime walk.
3. Play flashlight tag.
4. Play hide and seek in the dark.
5. Go for a midnight swim.
6. Study the stars.
7. Tell scary stories.
8. Sing around a campfire.
9. Roast marshmallows.



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