

Try This!

Scientists ask questions about many small things found in nature, the way Dr. Jovan asked questions about moss. Small things, like plants, rocks, soil, or animals, can tell scientists a lot of important information.



Go outside with your teacher, family, or friends and see if you can observe some small things in nature.

List five small things you see.



Choose one of these small items and draw a picture of it below.

A large empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for drawing a picture of one of the small items listed above.

How big is the item you drew? Use a ruler to measure the item or compare it to something else (like your hand or a coin). Record your measurement here. _____

Look at the item and decide what words you would use to describe it. What color is it? What kind of shape does it have? If a grownup says it is okay, touch and smell the item, but don't put it in your mouth! Does it feel rough or smooth when you touch it? What does it smell like? _____

How do you think this item might be useful in nature? _____
