

Mini Museum Exhibit Project Lesson 2 - Explore & Collect

Step 1: Think	 Think about the specimens you saw in the museum tour. 1. What were 4-5 different specimens you saw in the exhibits? 2. Where do you think they came from? 3. Have you ever collected anything you found in nature? What was it and why did you want to collect it?
Step 2: Learn about collecting	View <u>this presentation</u> to learn about how to collect specimens for your exhibit without breaking any rules, and respecting our plant and animal neighbors.
Step 3: Plan & Draw	 What different sections will you have in your exhibit? Look for objects that you can group together in their own sections that share different traits, such as color, shape, or something else. Example: different leaves or flowers could be in one section, different colored rocks in another section, and shells and bones in a third section. Come up with at least three sections for your exhibit to collect specimens for. Check with your teacher to make sure before you start collecting! Now draw a model of your exhibit that you can use when you create the real one in the next lesson!

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Step 4: Collect	 Explore your yard, neighborhood, or local park to collect different objects that will become a part of your exhibit. Remember the guidelines for collecting!
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