




PRINCIPLE #4: LEAVE IT AS YOU FOUND IT



-  • Bring along your camera to take photos instead of taking souvenirs.
-  • Leave plants, rocks, and historical items as you find them so others can enjoy them.
-  • Treat living plants with respect. Carving, hacking or peeling plants may kill them.

It is important to appreciate cool things in nature without taking them home with us. **Today let's look at the cool leaves in the park!**

There are different types of leaves on each plant for special reasons. **Big** and **small**, **has leaves** or **not**, **color** and **shape**. Most desert plants have very small leaves. This helps them conserve water. **Did you know cactus spines are modified leaves?!**

- Look at spines on the cacti and leaves on the ground, on shrubs, and on trees. Please don't pull any leaves or spines off of plants, dead or alive.
- Draw a picture of five leaves inside this pamphlet. Then, list something special about each one and where you found it.

THINK ABOUT IT...

-  • When is it OK to touch and handle objects that we find in nature?
-  • When is it NOT OK?



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Leave No Trace Principle #4
Self-guided Leave No Trace Learning Activity



CONNECTING PEOPLE WITH NATURE!



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DRAW A PICTURE:



WRITE SOMETHING YOU NOTICED:
