





Backyard



Materials

-  Backyard
-  Bingo card
-  Pencil
-  A comfortable spot with a good view of the outside

Students will explore the different types of living things that are all around us!

**3rd - 5th
Grade**

We share the world around us with many different kinds of organisms. An organism is a living thing like plants, birds, bugs, or any other living thing you can think of. Scientists who study these organisms classify them. This means that the scientists put organisms into groups based on ways that the organisms are alike or different - things like what it eats, or how it moves, or what it looks like. This game will help you look for some of these different groups of organisms right outside your door.

Directions

Print out the Backyard Bingo card [here](#).

Now go outside or look out a window. See how many of the things from the bingo card you can spot. When you see something, check off that box on your bingo card. The goal is to check 5 boxes in a line - either side to side, up and down, or diagonal. The box in the middle is a free space to get you started.

You can only check one box for each organism you spot.

Some organisms might fit the description of more than one box but you can only check one.

Challenge yourself to see how fast you can get five in a row. Challenge a family member and see who can get bingo the quickest. If you really want a challenge, see if you can find enough organisms to check off every box on the card!

