

SPREADING SMILES







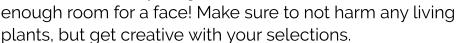




Looking for a fun and easy way to get your kids thinking about their place in the community? Try helping them spread some nature-inspired smiles throughout your neighborhood!



Go on a nature hunt, and collect an assortment of natural items from the ground, like rocks, acorns, bark, or anything with





Using a permanent marker or paint, draw fun faces or other designs on the items that you collected. Try to make designs that you think will make other people happy!



Go on a walk through your neighborhood, looking for places to leave your creations where others will see them. Try to find fun spots to scatter your treasures, such as in a park or along sidewalks and trails.



On your way home, reflect on your walk. How do you think people will react when they see your creations? How did this activity make you feel? What else can you do to help your community?









TIP: Walnuts look just like hearts when cut in half! Try looking for a nearby walnut tree, and painting the hearts so they stand out!