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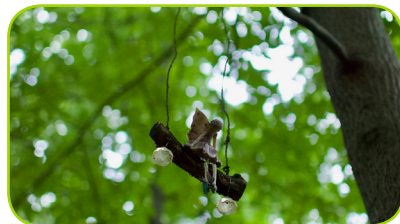
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At clue #6, stamp this box and return  
to the Admissions Desk for a reward!

## Try This!

Hike down the Tree Trail. The entrance is near the Fairy Rag Tree. Try to find a fairy in the treetops and keep an eye out for toadstools. You never know who might be under one.



## What Garden Creature Lives Here?

In autumn, Garden creatures like chipmunks prepare for cooler weather by collecting grasses and pine needles to insulate their homes from winter winds. Squirrels are busy gathering acorns and hickory nuts to store away. We know these critters well, but some say there are other enchanting creatures who live in the Garden that are more difficult to spot. Follow this Quest to learn more about them and try not to blink because you never know who might scurry by.

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# AUTUMN QUEST

1

**P**ick up a map and a rag at the admissions desk. Then hike over the Lotus Bridge to the Farm Garden. Because these plants have many colors, scents and textures, they are thought to attract elves. Carefully peek under a leaf to see if you can spot one of these enchanting creatures tucking roots into the mulch to prepare plants for winter.

*Draw a small picture of a favorite leaf on the back of this sheet.*



4

**M**eander across the walkway to the Tiptoe Garden right next to the Garden Keeper's Cottage. If you are very quiet, you might see a sprite here. Sprites love to collect bits of glass and pottery to embed into stepping stones. They spend the winter months polishing their recycled treasures. Try tiptoeing over the stones.

*Write one thing you recycle at home or school on the back of this sheet.*



2

**S**troll along Sydnor Lake past the CWD Kids Tree House. Stop when you come to a very tall pine tree with large wind chimes hanging from it. Some say that water nymphs love dancing to the magical chime music that is created by autumn winds as they blow over the lake. Do a little dance and just maybe the nymphs will join you.

*Record a sound you hear in the Garden on the back of this sheet.*



5

**F**ollow the painted honeybees on the walkway to the mulberry tree with the whimsical monkey in front of it. Many creatures play among the branches of this hundred-year-old tree. Examine the sprawling trunk for hollows where small critters might like to live for the winter.

*Name a creature that you think might like to live in this tree on the back of this sheet.*



3

**C**ontinue to follow the walkway along Sydnor Lake keeping a lookout for the Gnome Depot on your right. Using natural materials, construct and decorate a home that a gnome might like. These creatures prefer woodland habitats. Use plenty of tree debris such as fallen leaves to make them comfortable.

*Name your favorite type of habitat on the back of this sheet.*



6

**L**ook for the Fairy Rag Tree across the walkway. It is covered with colorful bits of cloth. Fairies think that the ties represent problems that fade away as the wind, rain and snow weather them. Tie your rag to a branch. As you do, think of a problem that you would like to work out.

*Write one hope you have for the future on the back of this sheet.*

