

6 Noise map.



This is a short activity that uses a child's hearing to observe the natural and built environments around them.

EQUIPMENT:

- Somewhere to sit
- Optional paper and pen

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Sit for a few minutes and take note of the noises around them. Identify natural and human made noise.
- Options:
 - Sit with eyes shut and using the enhanced hearing sense, mentally take note of all the noises that they can hear and the direction that they come from.
 - Sit with eyes open. Using a pen and paper to identify what noise is coming from what direction and how far away. Do this by using lines to indicate the direction, and the length of line to indicate how close it is.
 - Depending on age, vary the amount of detail. Eg Bird -They might describe the sound, if they can see it, the colour, if they know the bird, name it.
 - If your kids are interested, after the activity, try and identify bird using a bird book or the internet. Do this daily and build up a list of birds in your area! Birdlife Australia is a very good resource on the web.