

WHAT WENT BY?

Description:

Students will be asked to identify and provide information about 20 to 30 different items representing evidence that some thing left behind. Students will be asked to identify what went by! As an example, participants will be asked to identify an animal track and the direction in which it was going.

Number of Participants: 2

Approximate Time: 30 minutes



The Competition:

1. Each team will be given an answer sheet. Tables will be partitioned into about 20 stations. Each station and object will be numbered. The questions to be answered will be attached to the table. Examples of possible stations are:

Bruised sumac twig -- what animal made the marks

Tire track -- is it a bike, motorcycle, car, etc.?

Footprint -- is it the right or left?

Animal scat -- what animal?

Chewed nut -- what animal did this?

Leaf with holes -- how were the holes made?

NOTE: Some contests may restrict samples to tracks only.



2. Participants will begin at separate stations and proceed to the next station at a signal from the officials. Contestants must move on the signal and not before.
3. About 30-60 seconds will be given for each station. The team will record the identity of the object on the sheet and the answers to any questions.
4. Sheets will be collected at the end of the competition time period and scored for each team.

Scoring:

1. One point is given for each correct identification and one point for each correct answer.
2. In case of ties, the team with the greatest number of correct identifications will be declared the winner.

