

Build a House for a Fairy or a Gnome

AN OUTDOOR STRETCH DAY ACTIVITY

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With natural or found materials make a structure outside that fairies or gnomes would want to live in. Perhaps there is something that you can build underneath or inside of like a tree trunk (see the picture below for an idea). Don't hesitate to incorporate other non-natural objects if appropriate.

Questions to ask yourself during the process:

- What kind of materials are available outside and how can they be used to make something you would enjoy building?
- What can you use to make it stand and make it stronger if necessary.
- Identify any problems you might encounter with your materials and brainstorm solutions. No idea is too silly.
- Continue to talk through challenges and ideas as you build. Be sure to share ideas and collaborate if working with others.
- Revisions, testing and redesign should be part of the process.

This structure could be something you make to enjoy in your own yard, or other outside place for many to enjoy. Once complete, reflect on:

- What was the best feature of your structure?
- What was the most difficult part to build?
- What might you do differently next time?
- Did you make any changes along the way and how did it impact the final result?

Lastly, give your structure a name. And of course, don't forget to share it with us: <https://forms.gle/NFYKH9hfy5n3S3ug6>