



## MY WAY SALLY by Mindy Bingham and Penelope Coville Paine

Red foxes are wild relatives of dogs; civilization holds no terror for them and they are at home in a meadow or woodland. From the day Sally's curiosity gets the better of her and she follows the scent of her "cousin", she realizes that she doesn't want to follow the path chosen for her by her kennel master and her owner. She doesn't want to be involved in the destruction of any red fox.

Through a second experience at the Queen's palace (where her curiosity again leads her in difficulty), she learns what it means to be a leader. She learns that once you become a leader, you usually make the rules and people must follow you. She practices the particular running style of the red fox, and finally the other dogs decide to follow her.

As you follow her through the book, notice the beautiful and diversified flora that is found in the valley. You can identify many of them by using the pictures on the inside cover. Now that you have tuned your powers of observation, go outside and attempt this scavenger hunt.

MATERIALS: paper bag or container, pencil

**ACTIVITY**: See attached sheet.

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## STANDARDS:

BSL: 1.8, 1.11, 5.1, 5.2, 5.4, 12.2, 12.7, 12.9

NCTM: 2a, 2c, 4d, 6a

SCS: A1, A2, C1, C3, G1, H2, H4

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## **SCAVENGER HUNT**

Scavenger Hunts are probably familiar to you from your own childhood. This one is adapted to finding natural objects. You should assign scavenger lists that require each child to think creatively or to look very closely. This scavenger list is adapted from one used at the Glen Helen Outdoor Education Center in Yellow Springs, Ohio.

**Scavenger List:** This list can be adapted for all ages. It can be shortened for the available time.

Collect only things that you can return safely and without damage!

A feather

One seed dispersed by the wind

Exactly 100 of something

A maple leaf

A thorn

A bone

Three different kinds of seeds

One camouflaged animal or insect

Something round

Part of an egg

Something fuzzy

Something sharp

A piece of fur

Five pieces of man-made litter

Something perfectly straight

Something beautiful

Something that is of no use in nature\* (Everything in nature has a function)

A chewed leaf, (NOT BY YOU!)

Something that makes a noise

Something white

Something important in nature\* (Even poison oak is important to the birds that eat its berries)

Something that reminds you of yourself

Something soft

A sun trap\* (It could be black in color or a Greenleaf that captures the sun to make its own food.)

A big smile

**TEACHER NOTES:** In today's digital world, students could take pictures of each item eliminating any need to damage an object or to put it back in nature when the scavenger hunt is over.