

## Exploring Natural Textures Pre and Post Activities

### Recommended Reading:

The Very Quiet Cricket by Eric Carle

Are You A Snail? By Judy Allen and Tudor Humphries

The Five Senses by Keith Faulkner and Jonathan Lambert

A Colour of His Own by Leo Lionni

Snail Trail by Ruth Brown

### **Possible Pre-Trip Experiences**

- Take a community walk to look for different textured objects
- Collaboratively make a list of words that describe texture (e.g., fuzzy, prickly, bumpy, smooth etc.)
- Explore different uses of wax crayons with your students
- Begin a Know, Wonder, Learn (KWL) chart about natural textures to bring with you to Forest Valley
- Read books related to texture and senses

### **Possible Follow-up Activities For Exploring Natural Textures**

- Take a community walk to look for different textured objects
- Make a sensory art centre in the class of collected natural textures
- Collaboratively make a list of words that describe texture (e.g. fuzzy, prickly, bumpy, smooth etc.)
- Explore different art mediums for capturing texture (pencil, paint, pastel, chalk, etc...)
- Challenge students to write about their artwork and their artistic process