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### Explore Cincinnati Nature Center with a scavenger hunt and riddles!

Need a new way to find hidden treasures in Rowe Woods? Challenge your skills of observation and navigation with a self-guided adventure -- letterboxing and geocaching! These treasure hunts are perfect for the young explorer to go above and beyond his or her navigational skills, digging into the depths of Cincinnati Nature Center's Rowe Woods. Both letterboxing and geocaching allow explorers to discover hidden secrets by using their own sense of direction and adventure.

Several letterboxes are hidden close by the trails of Rowe Woods. After they locate a letterbox, adventurers can record their findings in a logbook, either with a stamp provided inside the letterbox or with their own stamp they brought along. It requires a skillful explorer to find the letterbox containers cleverly hidden in their natural settings!

In principal, geocaching is similar to letterboxing, but it requires the use of a GPS system to locate a "cache." Geocaching typically entails a longer hike and is more high-tech because of the use of satellites. Using your GPS as a navigational tool, you will maneuver to the location of an off-trail cache, concealed within a natural setting. Inside the cache, adventurers will discover information about the location of the cache site, as well as thought-provoking questions and a logbook to record their discoveries.

To begin your own self-guided adventure, simply stop by the front desk at the Rowe Visitor Center to begin either letterboxing or geocaching. It is not necessary to have your own GPS system to participate in geocaching; they are available to loan at the front desk.

Jon Swiger, Visitor Services Coordinator at the Cincinnati Nature Center, said, "Letterboxing is a fun and exciting way to spice up any hike at CNC. Children follow clues like a detective, winding their way through trails in search of 4 different letterboxes. Find all four for a special prize at the front desk!"

For more information, visit [www.CincyNature.org](http://www.CincyNature.org) and click on the program and events calendar, or call 513/831-1711. Cincinnati Nature Center's Rowe Woods is located at 4949 Tealtown Road, Milford, OH 45150.

Cincinnati Nature Center is a non-profit, environmental education organization. Their mission is to inspire passion for nature and promote environmentally responsible choices through experience, education and stewardship to ensure a sustainable future.

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