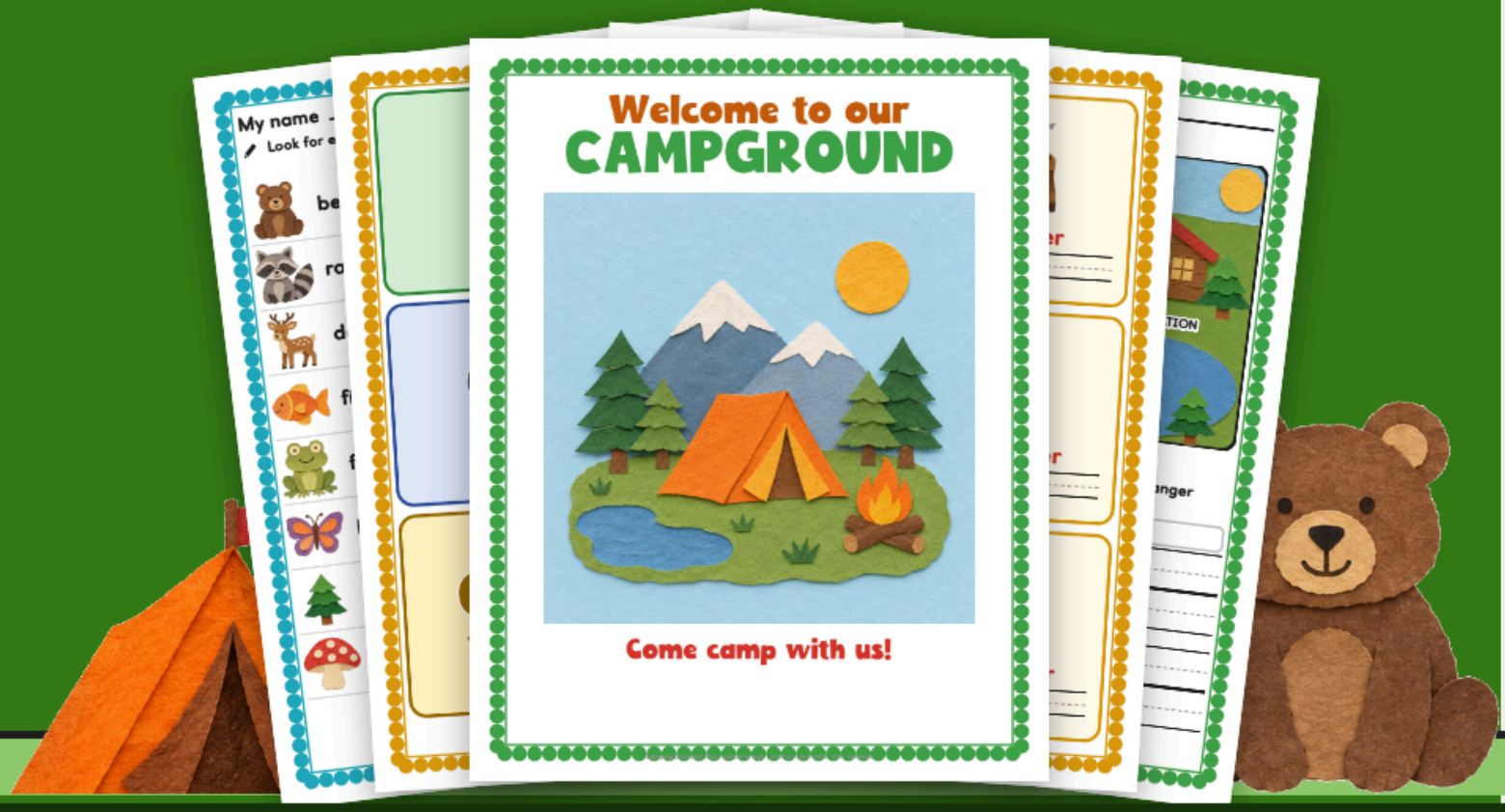
CAMPING
DRAMATIC PLAY
Campground Printables + S'mores



28 PAGES · SIGNS · BADGES · MAP

Bright Path Sped

Camping Dramatic Play: Start Here








What's inside

- **Campground props** to print on card stock, trim and laminate: a welcome sign (page 3), an open sign, a closed sign and a check-in sign (page 4), 6 gear labels (page 5), 4 packing lists (page 6), 4 how-to-play step cards (page 7), 6 ranger badges (page 8), 6 camper name tags (page 9), 3 trail punch cards (page 24) and 4 camper check-in forms (page 25)
- **Campground map** (page 10): read the map and mark it. **Nature checklist** (page 11): tick each animal or plant you spot, 3 times. **S'mores sequence** (page 12): cut 5 step cards and glue them in order 1 to 5, then write first, next, last
- **Word bank** with trace-and-write lines for 6 words (page 13) and **order forms on three levels** (pages 14-16): circle the order, trace the order, write the order
- **Tent sizes** (page 17): cut 6 pictures and glue small, medium and large in order. **Tent counts** (pages 18-19): cut 10 count cards, 1 to 10, and glue each under its number
- **More or fewer** (page 20), **count the animals and camp gear** (page 21), a **nature journal** (page 22), **draw what you pack** (page 23) and **write a sign** for your campsite (page 26)
- A class data page with the answers (page 27) and credits (page 28)

Set-up tips

- **Make a campsite corner.** A rug and a play tent, or a table with a blanket over it, is the campsite. Tape the welcome sign above it, put the open or closed sign on the check-in table and a gear label on each bin. The fire is pretend: use red and orange paper, never a real flame. No real food is needed.
- **Gather props you already have.** Flashlights without batteries, a lantern, backpacks, paper-bag logs, stuffed animals, a sleeping bag. Laminated cards last all year; a ring keeps the 4 step cards together.
- **Give every child a job.** The name tags have a Camper, a Ranger and a Cook. Children trade jobs after each round so everyone checks in, packs and cooks.
- **Model the play first.** Read the 4 step cards aloud (page 7), then act out one trip with a helper. Keep the words short: "Hello. I would like a campsite, please."

How the play goes

The camper checks in with the ranger (page 25), takes a packing list (page 6) and packs the gear it shows. Then the camper sets up the tent, spots animals on the nature checklist (page 11) and cooks pretend s'mores. The ranger hands out a badge (page 8) at the end. For a writing turn, the camper fills in an order form (page 14, 15 or 16, whichever level fits) or writes in the nature journal (page 22).

Three levels (the small shape beside the name line on pages 14-16)

- **Circle**: read the order and circle the picture (page 14). **Square**: trace the order (page 15). **Triangle**: write the order with the word bank (page 16).

A five-day plan

- **Day 1**: set up the campsite, read the signs and the step cards, trace the word bank (pages 3-7, 13). **Day 2**: play camp with packing lists and the order forms (pages 6, 14-16).
- **Day 3**: the map, the nature checklist and the s'mores sequence (pages 10-12). **Day 4**: tent sizes, tent counts, more or fewer and count the animals and camp gear (pages 17-21).
- **Day 5**: play again with punch cards and check-in forms, then fill in the nature journal and write a sign (pages 22, 26). You need crayons, scissors, glue sticks, card stock and a laminator if you have one.

PREVIEW

OPEN

Come and camp!



CLOSED

See you tomorrow!



CHECK IN

Tell the ranger your name



PREVIEW

My Packing List

Name _____



tent ☐



lantern ☐



backpack ☐

Draw or write: _____

_____

My Packing List

Name _____



flashlight ☐



boots ☐



map ☐

Draw or write: _____

_____

My Packing List

Name _____



backpack ☐



marshmallow ☐



flashlight ☐

Draw or write: _____

_____

My Packing List

Name _____



lantern ☐



tent ☐



boots ☐

Draw or write: _____

_____

PREVIEW

Junior Ranger



Tent Builder

My name _____

Junior Ranger



Trail Hiker

My name _____

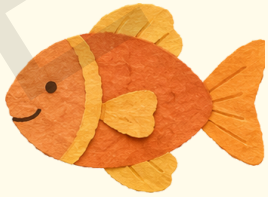
Junior Ranger



Bear Watcher

My name _____

Junior Ranger



Fish Spotter

My name _____

Junior Ranger



Fire Watcher

My name _____

Junior Ranger



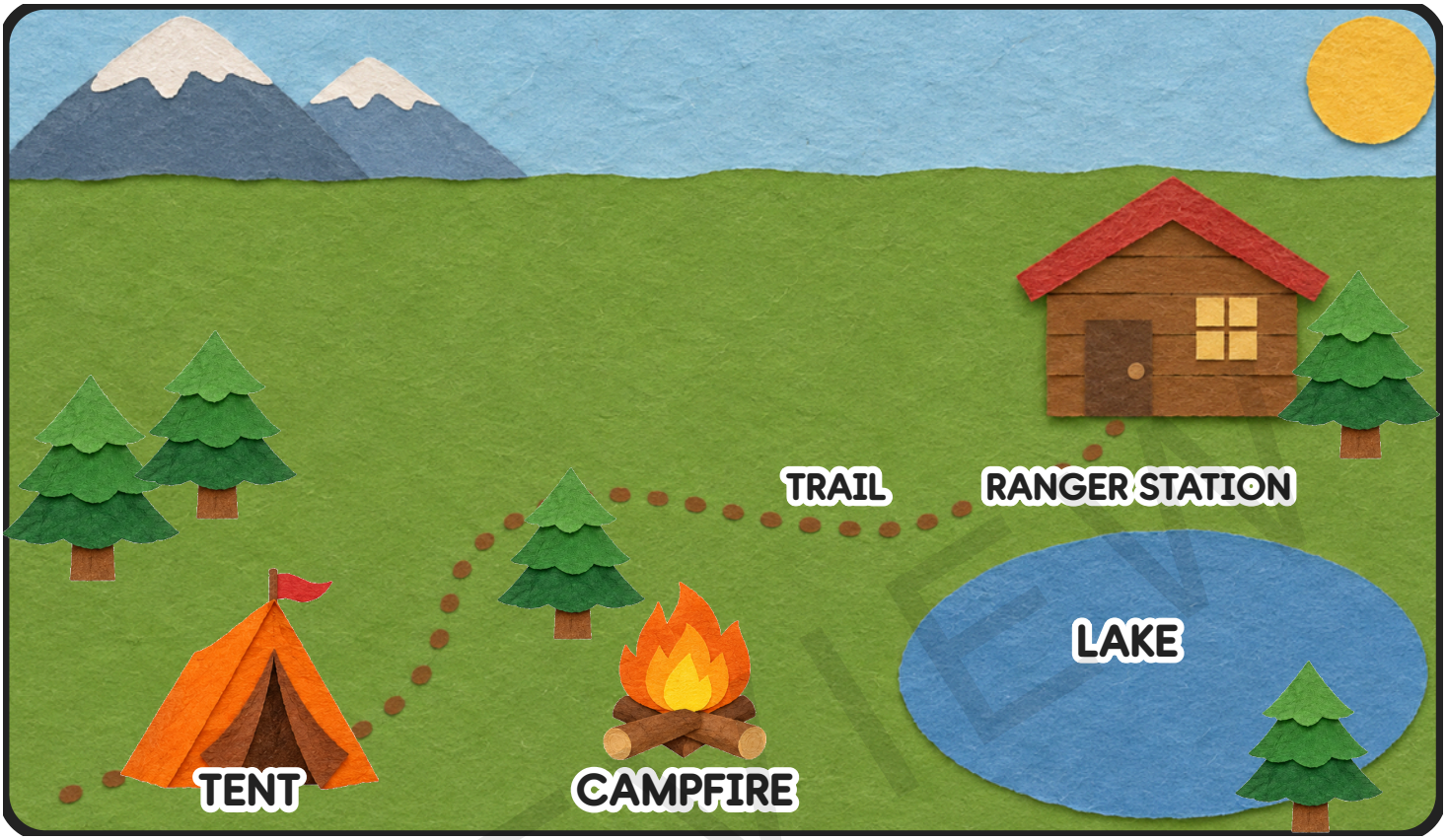
Star Counter

My name _____

PREVIEW

My name _____

Look at the map. Do each job.



- [ ] Color the tent orange.
- [ ] Circle the lake.
- [ ] Draw an X on the campfire.
- [ ] Put a star by the ranger station.

tent lake trail campfire trees

The campfire is near the _____

My favorite place is the _____

Level up: draw a trail on the map. Then write about it.

My trail goes from the _____ to the _____

PREVIEW

My name _____

Look for each one. Tick a box when you see it.

	I saw it: 1st time	2nd time	3rd time
 bear	☐	☐	☐
 raccoon	☐	☐	☐
 deer	☐	☐	☐
 fish	☐	☐	☐
 frog	☐	☐	☐
 butterfly	☐	☐	☐
 tree	☐	☐	☐
 mushroom	☐	☐	☐

PREVIEW

My name _____

Trace the word. Write it.



tent



lantern



flashlight



backpack



marshmallow



campfire

PREVIEW

My name _____

Look at the order. Trace the words.

Order 1



2 tents

two

Order 2



3 lanterns

three

Order 3



2 flashlights

two

Order 4



1 backpack

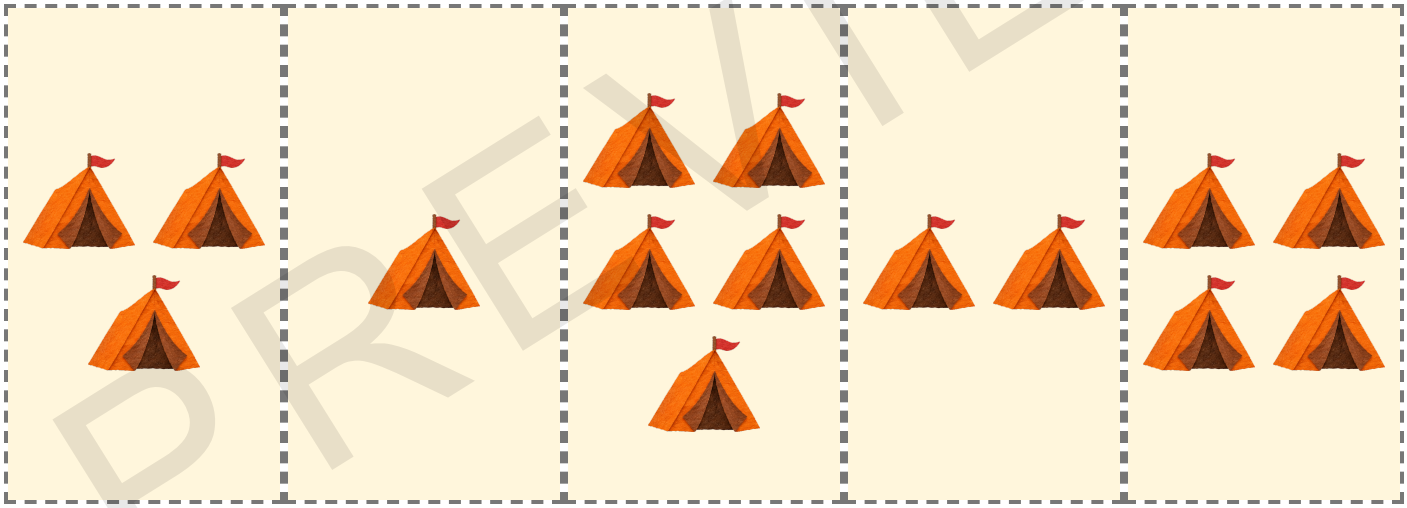
one

PREVIEW

My name _____

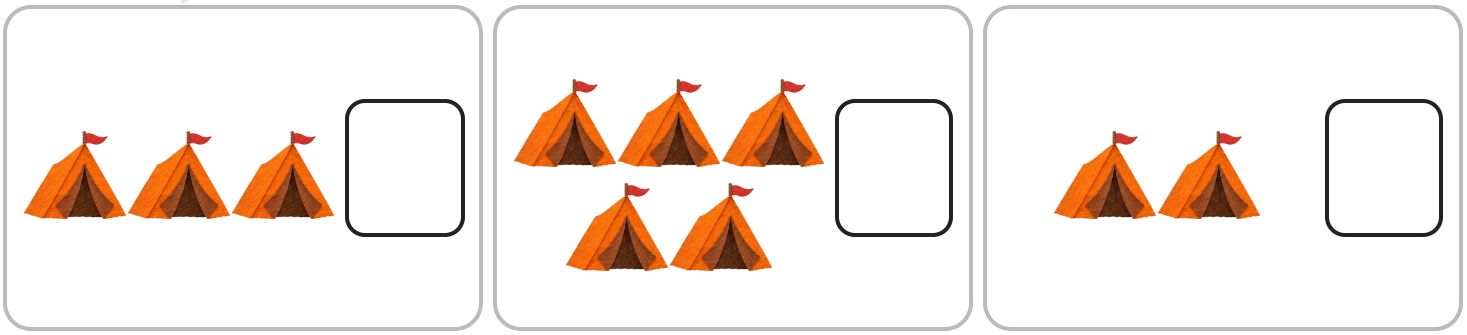
Cut the cards. Glue each one under its number.

1	2	3	4	5



PREVIEW

Count the tents. Write the number.

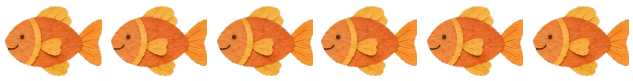


My name _____

Which campsite has more? Circle it.

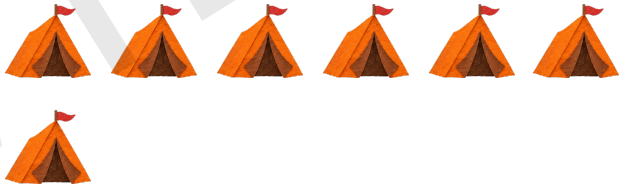


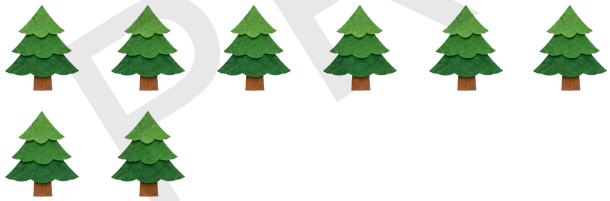






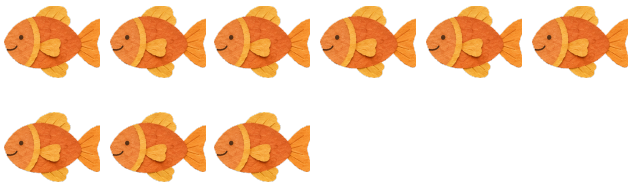












PREVIEW

My name _____

Draw what you saw at camp. Then write.

PREVIEW

big small brown green fast quiet

I saw a _____

It was _____

Today at camp I _____



Camp Trail Punch Card

Name _____

1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10



Camp Trail Punch Card

Name _____

1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10



Camp Trail Punch Card

Name _____

1	2	3	4	5
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PREVIEW

My name _____

Write a sign for your campsite.






fun cozy big quiet warm hike

Come camp at my _____

_____

You can _____

_____

I like camp because _____

_____

Draw your campsite.

PREVIEW