



Busy Beaver

A combination of an interactive hike and hands-on activities — all focusing on the behaviours, adaptations, and habitat of the North American Beaver.

Duration: Full day

Curriculum Reference: Science and Technology

Grade: 3

Minimum Supervision Requirements: Teacher + 1 additional supervisor

Learning Objectives:

1) To introduce students to structures in nature and beaver behaviours and adaptations in a series of fun, hands-on, role play activities.

Big Ideas:

- How has a beaver adapted to better survive in specific Canadian habitats?
- What aspects make structures in nature durable and able to withstand natural forces?
- How do beavers and their structures impact humans? How do we impact them?



Sample Itinerary

(Times will vary based on bus charter timing)



10:00am	Students arrive	Welcome chat, washroom break, snack
10:30am	Beaver Habitat Hike	Go for a hike to visit a beaver habitat and discuss behaviours and adaptations.
11:45am	Return to Outdoor Centre for lunch	Hike back to the Outdoor Centre. Wash hands and get ready for lunch
12:45pm	Tidy up lunch	Tidy up lunch, washroom break
1:00pm	Dam Building/ Mapping	Participate in a dam building activity and/or map- ping activity.
2:00pm	Clean up, Depart	Final washroom break and snack. Bus departs (2:30)