Y5/6 Maths Outdoor Challenges



Relay Trim Trail/Obstacle Course	Grassy Fractions	Playground Areas.
Times		
	You need: pen and paper, squared paper to	You need: pen and paper, newspaper,
	make grias, measuring equipment for , field or grass greas	measuring equipment for length,
You need: Trim trail or obstacle course,		playground/field
timers, pen and paper, playground/field Estimate how long it will take each of	First make yourself a 10 x 10cm 100 square.	Make a square metre from newspaper.
your team to get round the trail as a relay.	Mark out a grid on the grass that is 50cm x 50cm.	Choose 6 different spaces outdoors. Use your newspaper square metre to
Does it matter who goes first/last?	Mark the grid into smaller squares using your 10 x 10 cm 100 square.	estimate the area of each space.
Work together as a team to find the best team combination to get the fastest time.	Work as a team to investigate which square in your grid has:	measuring equipment.
What if you started the trail at the end	the highest fraction of grass	How close were your estimates?
and came through back to the start. Would it make a difference?	• the highest fraction of weed	Could you think of a something better to use to make your estimates?
If you don't have a trim trail then make up your own obstacle course you can use.	 the highest fraction of flowers Mark your findings on your 100 grid and then compare results with a different group. Estimate how many blades of grass are within a 1cm square and use this to 	
	estimate how many in your whole grid. How close to 1 million are you?	
Rainy Day Puddles	Shadowy Spaces	Leafy Sort
You need: pen and paper, measuring equipment, graph paper, rainy day!	You need: pen and paper, measuring equipment, graph paper, sunny day!	You need: pen and paper, collection pots, leaves, book about different types of leaves
Next time it rains go outside and find 3 different puddles. One in the sun, one in the shade and one	On a sunny day draw around different people's shadows.	As a group collect 100 leaves. Collect as many different types of leaf as you can.
in a mix of sun and shade.	How are you going to find the area of the shadow?	leaves based on their shape.
 Measure the following: Width at the widest part The outside edge. Estimate the area of the puddle 	Compare with others. Who has the most efficient strategy?	Describe your set of leaves using fractions and %s. Can you simplify any of the fractions?
	l est out your different strategies.	
Every half an hour measure the same measurements. Once you have 4/5 measures over the day, then exects line graphs for your	Is it easier or harder depending on the height/length of the shadow?	How does your set of leaves compare to another groups?
puddles. Compare with other groups.	Look at the angles within your shadows can you spot any acute, reflex, obtuse, right angles.	