

Ben: Hello, everyone. Let me introduce myself - my name's Ben and I'd like to tell you about a course you can do on Saturday mornings.

I'm from an organisation called '**Nature**' and we run courses for young people like you to do during the weekends. Now, we know that at school you learn a lot about things like science and maths, but this course is really about giving your youth group the chance to come and find out about **wildlife**. It's an area that tends to get forgotten.

We usually take groups like yours to a wild place that's near their home. Sometimes we go to a beach or a lake, but we've planned for your group to go to a **forest**. That's the closest place for you, and the easiest to get to.

Now, we'd like you to come and do some activities with us. You spend six hours each week with US and the course lasts for **12 weeks**, depending on the weather. That might sound like a long time, but we think you'll be sorry when it's over!

Taking part in our activities means you get to do all sorts of things that you wouldn't normally be allowed to do at home. That includes how to safely climb trees, cut wood and build a **fire**.

While you're with us, we'll also show you how to make things out of different materials. On the last course, everyone designed backpacks which they were very pleased with. This time we thought we'd get you to design and make a **birdhouse**. When it's finished, you can take it home and show your family. We think you'll enjoy doing this.

Now, any questions ...?