

## Journey: Between Earth & Sky: Part 3

This is the third part of the journey called “Between Earth and Sky” where we take a trip with our clever flower friends across the country. Remember to reflect on what you’ve done and learned so far. Are you ready for more? Let’s go!

### Steps:

1. Have a good trip!
2. A walk in nature to find textures
3. Getting ready for the clover project
4. Special skills

### Purpose:

When I have earned this award, I’ll be able to use my special skill to help my friends.

**Step 1:** Have a good trip!

### Materials:

- Luggage tag/bookmark
- Crayons/markers
- Assorted items for decorating

Today we will learn how to say, “Have a Good Trip” in Italian, the language that both Lupe and Clover probably know, because they have family all over the world. In Italian, “Have a good trip” is “Buon viaggio!” Here is a simple [video](#) to help with pronunciation. Add this phrase to your bookmark and practice saying it to your family!

During our last meeting, we paid attention to Daisy’s special skills. Today we’ll pay attention to our own skills. Choose a skill that you are especially good at. You will use it today during our meeting.

- Are you good at speaking up? Helping others? Being patient?
- What do you think it would be like if everyone in the world shared your special skill?
- Would the world be a better place if everyone shared your special skill? How so?

At the end of this section, we’ll talk about how our special skills worked out for today.

**Step 2:** A walk in nature to find textures

### Materials:

- Paper
- Crayons/markers

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Everything has a texture. That means some things are rough, smooth, hard, or soft depending on what they are and what they are made of. For example, a sweater is soft, but a table is hard. A stone may be smooth, but tree bark can be rough. How something feels is called its texture. Visit Sesame Street with Abby Cadabby to [watch](#) a fashion show with many textures! Find different objects in your house and describe its texture. What is your favorite texture?

Go outside with a piece of paper and some crayons and a hard surface for you to draw on. Use your crayon to draw some textures you find out in nature or use your crayon and make a rubbing of the texture. How many different textures can you find?



Next, we'll talk about our favorite places. You can use textures, colors, and smells to describe places. Have your parent or sibling describe their favorite place to you and see if you can guess. Then you describe yours and see if they get it correct!

### Step 3: Getting ready for the clover project

An important part of this Journey is our clover project. When we work on this project, you'll be using your special skills to care for the Earth. Think about a place you want to help preserve and protect or a topic you want to educate people on. Some ideas to consider include:

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1. Partnering with your school library or other community building to make posters encouraging people to mind their 'seeds and weeds'
2. Make a booklet, play, or other creative endeavor to offer tips for protecting local vegetation to other girls, families, or schools
3. Learn about a local bird or critter that needs protecting and create a simple way to spread the word
4. Be creative!

Start thinking about some ideas and what places you want to protect or what ideas you want to educate people on. During the next section, there will be a video with some Cadettes showing their ideas on making a Clover Project. You can get ideas and inspiration from them on how to commit to your project! We will start the project in the next section.

**Step 4:** How we used our special skills

### Materials:

- Slips of paper
- Pencil or pen
- "A Salty Lake and the Smell of Pine" and "Toward the Coast of California" from the journey guidebook

What special skill did you try or think about today? Write it down on a piece of paper and place it in your firefly suitcase. What can you do at home to make even more use of this skill of yours? How about at school? Is there any way for you to use this skill in your neighborhood too? Discuss with your parents.

Before the next section, please read "A Salty Lake and the Smell of Pine" and "Toward the Coast of California" in your book.

Congratulations! You have earned your Firefly award today! It shows that you have a special skill you can use to help others and the planet. We'll be putting these skills into action when we work on our clover project in the next section. Only one more section to go! WOO!