

- **Activity-** Stick alphabet

- **Activity Goals:** To encourage students to work on letter recognition and creation while interacting in their outside, local environment. Reinforces the Handwriting Without Tears curriculum. Encourages students to think creatively.
- **Materials:** Sticks found on the ground outside
- **Process:** Have the class go outside to a location where there is an abundance of sticks. Pick up a stick and demonstrate how it can look like a letter (eg- "Y"). Pick up two sticks and demonstrate how they can be put together to create other letters (eg- "T" or "M"). Ask students to work together to create the remainder of the alphabet. Once a letter is created, set it to the side in alphabetical order. This encourages students to look for the letters that are missing and allows them to see their progress.
- **Modifications:** Have an alphabet chart available for reference. Encourage students to create upper case and lower case letters.

Additional lesson plan examples can be found on my educational website at:

<http://dailyglimpse.weebly.com/sample-unit--lesson-plans.html>