

Bunyip Trail Activity Booklet





While you are enjoying your walk along The Bunyip Trail, don't forget:

- **Children should be accompanied by adults at all times**
- **Always stay on the path**
- **Be aware of natural hazards**
- **Ensure you are wearing appropriate foot wear and clothing**
- **Do not enter the trail during or after periods of heavy rain**
- **Never go into the water**
- **Beware of the Bunyip!**

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Activity 1: You can see that Berkeley's Creek is a natural environment for different animals and insects. Look around you and make a list of animals and insects that you can see on this trail.



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Activity 2: Berkley's Creek is completely free of litter (so far!). Look around you – can you see any litter on the Bunyip Trail?

What is the difference between wood debris and litter?

Why is river litter bad but wood debris good?



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Activity 3: In the story, the bunyip spoke to a platypus in the reeds of the river. Reeds are very important to the river. Read the 'Did You Know?' section to find out why. Platypuses are very odd looking creatures.

Can you name three things that make a platypus unique?

What other animals or birds can you see here?



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Activity 4: Look around, can you see some different looking trees? Not all of them are the same, they have different shapes leaves, different types of trunks and are different sizes. However, they do have something very important in common. Do you know what this might be?

What do you like best about these trees?



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Activity 5: In the story you can see some very large trees behind the emu. This trail has some very large trees too, like the Red Gums you can see to the right of the trail. Have a look at the height of the trees. How old do you think they are?



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Activity 6: The bunyip would have loved to sit and watch the butterflies flying around him here. Look at the picture on the board. Can you see any butterflies like this flying around the trail? Draw any that you can see.

Why do you think butterflies all have different designs and colours?



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Activity 7: That looks like a very small rucksack to take camping! Imagine you were going to camp here for one night. Make a list of five things you would need to pack.

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Activity 8: Many different animals and insects in Australia are nocturnal, meaning they come out at night to feed and explore. Can you think of a nocturnal animal or insect that you wouldn't like to meet at night?



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Activity 9: Use a mirror or phone to look at your own face. Who do you think you look like the most?

Draw a picture of yourself and write down one fact or talent that makes you unique – everyone has at least one!



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The Bunyip Trail Map

