



Activity Sheet - Peaty Poems!

Materials required: Pen, paper, imagination!

Materials provided: General information about peat, seaweed and heather (ling).

Method: Think about peat, seaweed or heather. Crofters used these things on the croft, and they were really important for lots of different reasons. Write a poem about peat, seaweed or heather. Remember to describe it as much as you can! Ask yourself these questions, and include some of your answers in your poem.

- Where do you find it?
- What does it look like?
- Does it have a smell?
- What does it feel like when you touch it?
- How do you collect it? Can you pick it up?
- Do you have to use any tools to collect it?
- Does it make a noise when you stand on it or pick it up?
- Can you cook with it?
- Can you eat it? What would it taste like?
- What else can you do with it?
- What happens to it if it's left? Does it dry up? Does it go soggy? Does it start to smell?
- What happens if you burn it? Does it make a big fire? Can you smell it burning? What does it look like afterwards? What does it feel like afterwards? Can you touch it?