

Outdoor & Woodland Learning Activity Sheet

Activity:	Path Work Exploration									
Habitat:	Woodland, moorland, mountain, croftland	Season:	S	✓	S	✓	A	✓	W	✓

Level	
Early	✓
First	✓
Second	✓
Third and Fourth	✓
Senior Phase	

Curriculum topics			
Expressive Arts		Health and Wellbeing	✓
Languages	✓	Mathematics	
Religious & Moral Ed		Sciences	✓
Social Studies	✓	Technology	✓

Equipment*
Words
Suilven before and after photos
Worksheet
Tools (some available from CALLP)
Visual board available from CALLP

Time
Various

Key outcomes
Understand importance of paths
Understand the importance of path maintenance
Learn about path maintenance tools and what they are used for
Awareness of path work and what it involves
Understand individual responsibility for sticking to paths

*Items depicted in bold are available from CALLP

Activity description
<p>Activity to explore paths and why maintenance of them is important. Attached are words and pictures to print out, but being outdoors on a path and having visuals present in the environment is preferable. Use the attached to mix and match with what is available. Good quality before and after shots from Suilven path work are available from the resource file in the CALLP office, along with a workshop to explore the contrast.</p> <p>Journey through exploration could be:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Who uses paths? (red colour-coded words overleaf) 2. Erosion = what is it (Blue colour-coded words overleaf) 3. Tools that are used for path maintenance (orange colour-coded words overleaf) 4. Materials (grey colour-coded words) 5. Feature (red-colour coded words) 6. Why use paths? (yellow colour-coded words)* <p>* “Why use paths” – paths are created through repeatedly walking over an area: a stretch where vegetation has been trampled and ground has been compacted is easier to walk along and they tend to be created over time. They are quicker and easier. Path maintenance is carried out to look after these established paths and reduce surrounding vegetation and landscape becoming damaged.</p>

Notes

Who uses paths?

Erosion

Tools

Materials

Feature

Why use paths?

People

Badger

Deer

Sheep

Otter

Water

Footfall

Time

Pinch Bar

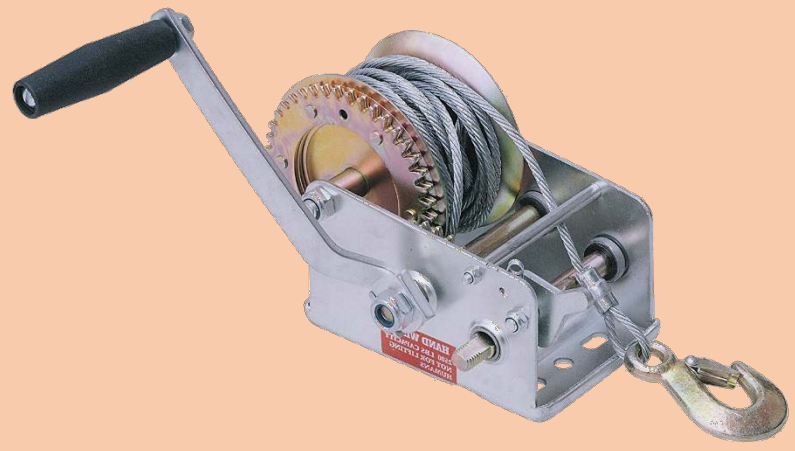
Winch

Spade

Mattock

Boulders		Rocks
Stones		Water Bar
Cross Drain		Pitching
Surfacing		
Easier		Quicker
Care for landscape		







Cross Drain



Water bar

Pitching



Surfacing

