

LAND ART: SPIRAL

A spiral is a very common shape in nature, visible in flowers, pine cones, snail shells, snakes, and more. Students can become land artists by creating a spiral together as a class or in small groups. They can either choose a material in advance (e.g., stones, leaves) or each student can find natural materials they like and add them to the spiral.

If working as a class, once everyone has found their items (specify the number of items beforehand), you can turn it into a ceremony. Students stand in a circle, and a student volunteer starts the spiral in the middle. Then, the next student who believes their chosen item would fit, continues the spiral. Proceed in this way until everyone has contributed and students are happy with the final shape. Encourage students to be silent and think carefully about which item they choose and when, considering which will fit best.

After completing the spiral, have students observe it and share their feelings about it. They can also give it a name if they want. Taking a photo of the spiral can create a nice memory for everyone.