



Climate Fortune Teller

Background

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This activity targets the complex emotions surrounding a grand problem while inspiring individuals towards reflection, communication, and action. It aims to be fun, repeatable, shared, while allowing multiple outcomes and inspiring place-based learning of urban and natural environments.

How will you inspire others to reflect and take climate action?

How can you identify emotions and turn them into actionable climate steps?

Supplies

- Printed fortune teller template
- Scissors
- Markers, crayons, colored pencils, supplies to color in templates

Guiding Questions

- What is unique about your current environment? How can prompting place-based awareness promote climate action?
- How can you identify emotions and turn them into actionable climate steps?
- How can shared joy and fun inspire climate conversations?



Creating a Climate Fortune Teller

Instructions

- Cut out the square fortune teller from the template
- Color in the design as you like
- Follow the folding instructions carefully
- Once finished assembling, play the activity by choosing one of four choices based on your favorite environment, current location, and climate emotion, and spelling out each option of choice
- Take turns reading your friends' or family's fortunes and explore resources local to Boston!

Resources

- Install the iNaturalist app: www.inaturalist.org
- Get Inspired about climate art:
 - StoneLivingLab.org → Education → Activities & Resources → Climate Carts → Climate Collage
 - [Climate Carts](#)
- Explore an interactive map of the Boston Harborwalk:
 - BostonHarborWalk.org
- Check out the [Calendar of Events on Boston Harbor Islands](#)
- Visit [5 Harborwalk Gems Worth Visiting](#)
- See if you can find your location on the Climate Ready [Flood Maps](#)



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Frequently Asked Questions

How can an art activity inspire climate action?

- By allowing creative expression in how visitors interact with the activity (coloring or folding it), this aims to inspire users to reflect on their emotions and promote place-based awareness to fuel climate action. People really can take action from any location. Luckily, the activity can be used over and over again and generate many outcomes for its users.

What ages is this activity for?

- For all ages! The fortune teller should be fun for younger learners, but also inspire nostalgia in our adult visitors. People of all ages can become motivated to learn about their environments and take first steps toward climate action.



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Climate Catcher

Put paper face down, fold on both diagonal lines. Unfold.

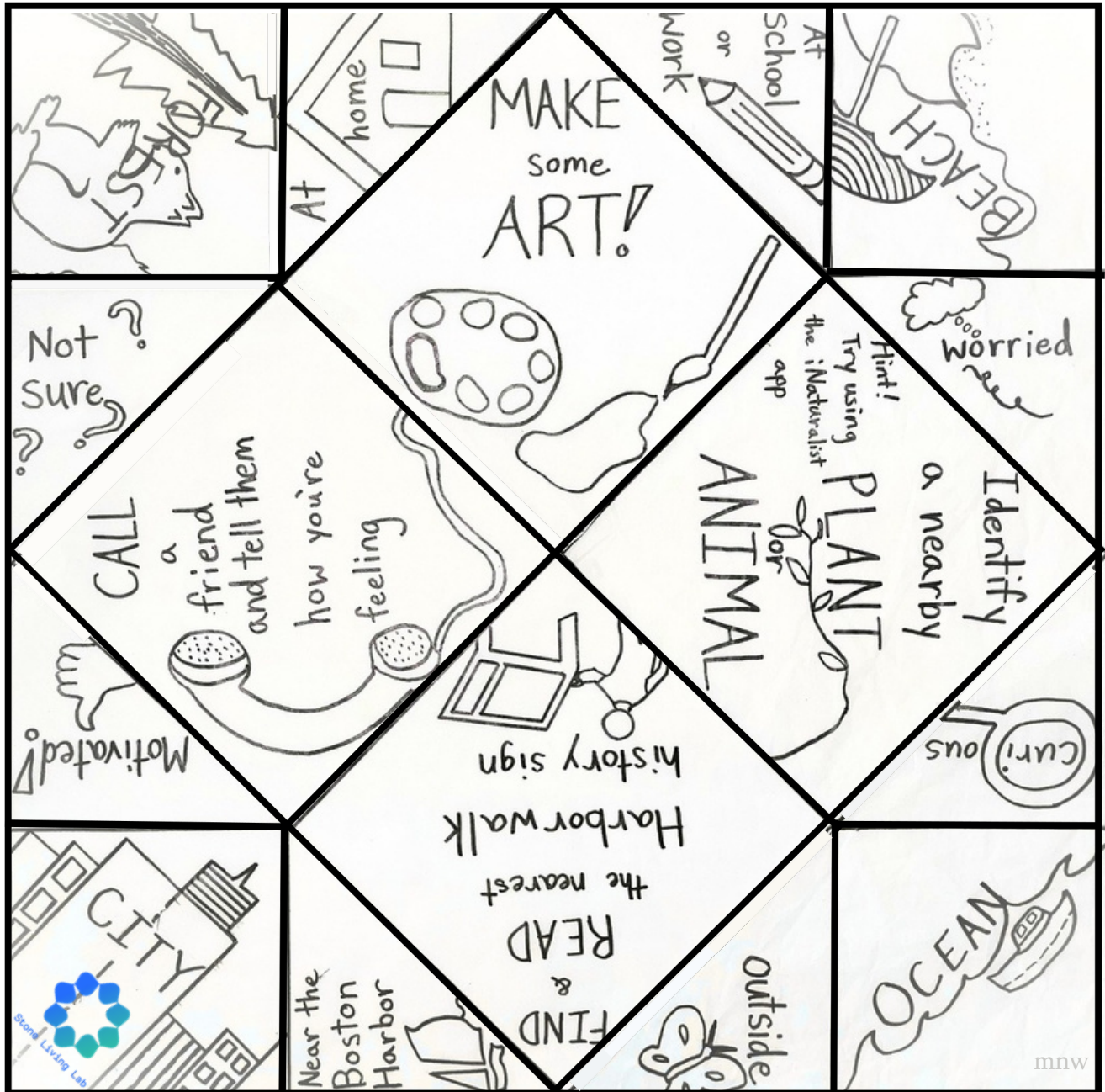
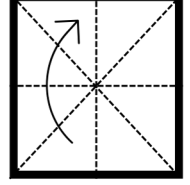
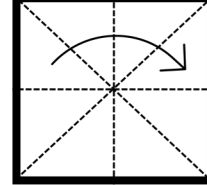
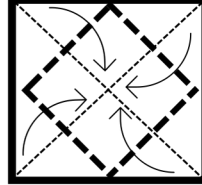
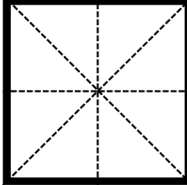
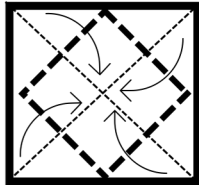
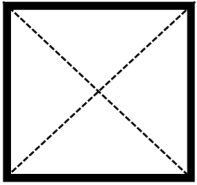
Fold all four corners to the center.

Turn paper over.

Once again, fold all corners to the center.

Fold paper in half and unfold.

Fold in half from top to bottom. Do not unfold.



Turn your emotion into environmental action,
wherever you are!



So you care about nature and want to protect it...
Let's turn your feelings into action!

Read your fortune and take the first step to
learn about your environment!

- 1. Which place is your favorite?*
- 2. How do you feel when you think about
climate change or the environment?*
- 3. Where are you right now?*

Creating a Climate Collage

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