

## EDUCATOR'S GUIDE: GETTING STARTED WITH

# INATURALIST



### **Step 1: Create an account.**

Learn how to navigate the app before introducing it to your students. Start by installing the iNaturalist app, available on Google Play or Appstore.



### **Step 2: Make an observation.**

Select "New Observation" and upload an existing photo or audio file. You can also take a new photo or make a recording from within the app. Make sure to take a few pictures from different angles to make it easier to identify the organism.



### **Step 3: Include the time and location.**

If not already added, input the time and location of your observation as accurately as possible. You can adjust your camera settings to allow your camera app to automatically collect this information.



### **Step 4 (Optional): Identify the organism**

Tap on the "What did you see?" and classify the organism to the best of your ability. It is OK to not know the exact species! Simply labeling the photo as "plant" or "insect" can help your observation get identified by others in the iNaturalist community.

**TAP THE GREEN CHECKMARK TO PUBLISH YOUR OBSERVATION, AND YOU'RE DONE!**

**WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU MAKE A FEW OBSERVATIONS TO BECOME FAMILIAR WITH THE APP BEFORE USING IT WITH YOUR CLASS.**