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# Branching Activities for Turtles, Tortoises, and Terrapins





## Watch for turtles of all kinds crossing the road!

-Slow down and be cautious if you're driving near habitats turtles could be living in. Stop and allow the turtle to cross the road, or safely pull over and help escort the turtle across the road!

#### Participate in a beach clean-up!

Adult turtles can be found swimming in the ocean hunting for food or coming up onto the beach to nest. By picking up trash and cleaning our beaches and oceans, we can help provide turtles with a safe and healthy environment.





#### Turtle Basking STEM Challenge:

Turtles need to bask in the sun and outside of water in order to keep their shells healthy. If there aren't sufficient basking areas they will stack and take turns basking.

Make bottle cap turtles like the ones from the picture and see how many you can stack on top of each other without the turtles falling!

### Make your own Reptile Egg:

#### Supplies:

- one unshelled, boiled egg
- 1½ cups / 375 ml cups of cider vinegar
- tablespoon
- dessert plate

Directions: Hard boil the egg and let it cool off. Then place it in a clear mason jar with some cider vinegar. Leave it in the fridge for a few days and when you take it out observe the texture and appearance of the egg. This is what reptile eggs tend to look like. Feel free to dissect it open and see what the inside looks like!





