



## Keep a 'Bare' campsite --not a 'Bear' campsite

Spot the differences between these two campsites. In which campsite do you think bears could get into trouble?



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## **Bear Safety at Home and** in your Neighbourhood

(Answers to 'How Bear Smart are you?)

1. Smelly garbage is left out. People could store garbage where it is difficult for bears to get at it - in the garage or even in a shed. Don't let garbage pile up. Get rid of it often and clean the trash can with disinfectant before it gets too smelly.

## 2. The compost is open and has fish and meat leftovers inside.

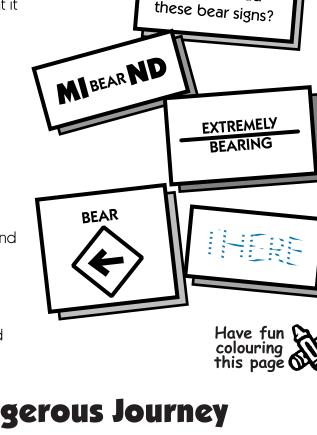
This compost should be closed and used only for yard trimmings like grass and leaves; never for egg shells, meat, fish, oil or milk products. Worm composters can be used for other food waste such as fruit and vegetables. They don't smell and can be kept inside.

- **3.** There is a fresh pie in the window. Let the pie cool off inside.
- **4.** The door is open. Try to keep windows and doors closed to avoid an unwanted visitor.
- **5.** There is a steak on the barbecue. These folks should be outside watching their food. They could try to barbecue out of the wind. When they're finished, they should clean the barbecue and store it covered and out of the wind.
- 6. Pet food is left outside. These people could feed their pets inside. It's also a good idea to keep pets inside at night.
- 7. Bone meal and fish fertilizer are being used in the garden. Use mulch or any plant-based fertilizer instead.



9. There is a bird feeder in the tree. Bird feeders should not be used during bear season - March through November. There is lots of natural food for birds at this time of year.

10. There is a beehive with honey. Most people don't have beehives, but if they do, an electric fence can help keep bears out. An electric fence also works well for orchards, gardens and chicken coops.



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