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It may be helpful to write out how you wish to introduce the Nature IN-Deed as you present it to your student or child, to help inspire them to think of themselves as caretakers of our land.

This document is an outline, not a script, so please feel free to adapt and change as necessary.

Did you know that YOU have been chosen to receive a special gift?

What do you think of when you hear the “park”? Slides? Swings? Playgrounds?

Well, we have a NEW way to think about a park. When you hear that word, we want you to think of trees, birds, insects, and presents. Wait, presents?! Yes, presents.

The State of Indiana has decided to give you a gift, but it’s not one that you unwrap, it’s one that you protect, just like a special birthday gift. Indiana created The Children of Indiana Nature Park in Centerville, Indiana in honor of kids like you. It doesn’t have swings or slides; instead, it has trees, trails, tracks, and turtles. Indiana thinks you are so important, that you can claim a “deed” for a piece of this land.

What’s a deed? It means that you are in charge of protecting something special. You or an adult who is with you can claim your deed on this website. The deed is an invitation for you to learn about your little piece of land and other land near you.

Why is this land important? What can you do to protect this land or the land that we live on?

Start exploring nature today!