



Bear Aware

Family Report Card

Check off the following questions to see how bear aware you and your family are! For each question you answer with “yes”, add 1 point. Total your points to find your Bear Aware Score!

Parents, please help your child with the answers and discuss your bear awareness.

We store our garbage in a locked garage, shed, or basement.	
We only put our garbage out at the curbside after 6 a.m. on garbage collection day.	
We take down any bear-accessible birdfeeders between the months of April and December.	
We manage our fruit trees by picking fruit before or as it ripens and picking up all windfall fruit.	
We have pruned our fruit trees so they are not excessive in size or have replaced fruit trees with ornamental species if we do not want the fruit.	
We clean our BBQ after every use by running the burners on full for 15 minutes, scrubbing the cooking surfaces, and emptying the grease trap.	
We store our clean BBQ in our garage or lockable shed.	
We do not feed our pets outside, or if we do then we remove any excess food or dirty bowls as soon as our pet has finished eating.	
We do not store any pet-food outside.	
We do not add any oil, grease, cooked food, meat, fish, or dairy products to our compost.	
We layer our compost with layers of brown yard waste, dry leaves, or shredded paper, and always make sure any kitchen scraps are buried.	
Our outdoor fridges and freezers are kept in a garage or lockable shed.	
We have seen the “Staying safe in Bear Country” DVD, available from Okanagan Regional Library.	
Your Bear Aware Score!	/13

