Flowers are beautiful to look at... and they also help the world in all sorts of ways! Start at your computer to learn more about the flowers that grow naturally in your area. Then head outside to find the flowers that grow near you and practice your photo skills. Follow these steps:

1. **Assemble your field guide!**
   
   Do a computer search to see what flowers grow in your state or region. Are there any places you can go to find them growing naturally? Once you’ve identified the types of flowers you’re most likely to see, find out what’s special about them.

2. **Get to know your tools!**
   
   Once you’ve got the information in hand, find a camera and spend some time learning how to use the different settings. How can you take a good wide shot? How can you take a good close-up?

3. **Perform your flower census!**
   
   Once you’ve got your field guide and you know how to use your camera, you’re ready to head outside. On your next hike, camping trip, or park visit, see how many of the flowers you can find and photograph. Practice taking different kinds of photos and see if you can spot the things that make each flower special!
Tip: This activity can help you earn your Flowers and Digital Photographer badges.

How many did you find?