

# Kite Flying Checklist

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- How to fly a kite
  - Check the local weather to determine if conditions are good for kite flying. You need to have light to moderate winds (beginners) or gusty winds (experienced)
  - Locate a large and windy open area free of trees, power lines or anything that might be in the way
  - Hold kite in both hands and toss it lightly into the wind until the wind catches it. For best results, a moderately strong wind is needed
  - You can also let out a small length of the kite string, holding it in your hand, running with the kite behind you until the wind lifts it
  - Start letting out the string until the kite reaches a comfortable height This can be done from 40-100 feet.
  - Don't forget to keep an eye on your kite as both wind speed and direction are prone to changes. When the kite drops, run or pull the string to give it the extra lift
  - When you have had enough and wish to bring the kite down, wind down the string around its spool
  - Make sure you pick it up before it hits the ground