

Course Description:

Students in this course will continue using their senses to explore their world. Students experience nature walks, gardening, and imitative games by exploring animal tracks, astronomy in the winter, animals and their offspring, shapes in nature, winter and the five senses, properties of matter, spring clouds, rainbows and evaporation, making maple syrup, spring flowers, spring plant growth, earthworms, evening stars and constellations, birds, pet care, bees and pollination, the sounds of spring, and frogs and ponds.

Module	Lesson Title	Objectives
19	Animal Tracks	- Identify animal tracks in the snow. - Explore the characteristics of snow.
20	Astronomy in Winter	- Read animal and nature stories and poems. - Observe the winter stars.
21	Animals and Offspring	Match common animals with their offspring.
22	Shapes in Nature	- Discuss winter weather conditions. - Make a wreath to feed the birds in your yard. - Recognize letter shapes in nature.
23	Winter and the Five Senses	- Use the five senses to discuss winter. - Explain how water turns into ice.
24	Properties of Matter	- Identify small objects by feeling them. - Identify objects using a bag game. - Identify objects by playing a shaker game.
25	Spring Clouds	- Read the story "Proud to Be a Cloud." - Look for images in the clouds. - Explain why clouds are important.

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26	Rainbows and Evaporation	- Read a story about Rainbow Raindrop. - Observe puddles after it rains.
27	Making Maple Syrup	- Read the story <i>The Maple Tree</i>. - Discover how maple syrup is made. - Draw a picture of a maple tree. - Make leaf rubbings.
28	Spring Flower Growth	- Plant your own flower seeds to care for daily. - Explore different weather conditions. - Walk in directions: left, right, and straight.
29	Spring Plant Growth	- Find different kinds of new shoots in your area. - Define germination. - Identify and label the parts of a plant.
30	Earthworms in Soil	- Read the story <i>Earth the Earthworm</i>. - Go outside and dig for earthworms. - Grow potato hair.
31	Evening Stars and Constellations	Study the evening stars and talk about the constellations.
32	Birds and Bird Nests	- Identify different birds. - Study bird nests.
33	Pet Care and Nature Observations	- Learn the importance of taking care of pets. - Look for spider webs. - Observe nature in the spring.
34	Bees and Pollination	- Read the story <i>Stardust</i>. - Find the star in the middle of an apple. - Observe bees.

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35	The Sound of Spring	• Listen to the sounds of spring this week. • Make up a story about the magic of the firefly. • Care for a plant. • Identify smells that occur indoors and in nature.
36	Frogs and Ponds	• Plant a summer house with sunflowers. • Read <i>The Pond Ritual</i>. • Learn about frogs and the pond habitat. • Identify the parts of a frog's life cycle.
	Humans and the Environment	• Explain actions humans are taking to protect the environment.

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Resources	Think Like A Scientist (optional)	• Describe summer. • Record observations about summer. • Identify and discuss safe and healthy practices in science. • Demonstrate safe practices during investigations (such as using materials safely and washing hands). • Demonstrate appropriate use of natural resources. • Explain how to use natural resources appropriately. • Demonstrate how to take care of natural resources (reuse, recycle, conserve).