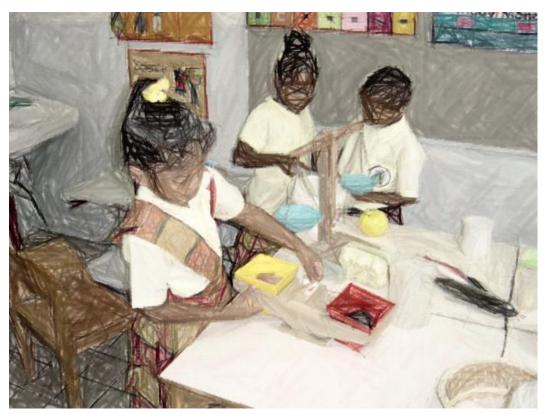
Foundation Based Education Cycle One

Learning to Do, Learning to Be, Learning to Know, Learning to live Together



Science & Technology

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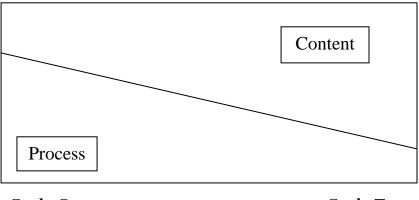
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Introduction

Science is an educational area that seeks to help the children describe and explain the natural and physical world. Technology helps the children apply scientific knowledge, skills and concepts to meet needs and solve problems.

Young children are naturally curious and this curiosity leads them to explore the world around them. This domain area gives the children an opportunity to communicate their questions and make sense of their environment. Young children explore their world by observing and manipulating common objects. They investigate and interpret their observations through their senses.

During Cycle One, Science and Technology experiences must provide a foundation for more formal instruction later on. At this level there is a stronger emphasis on the process skills than on content knowledge as opposed to Cycle Two where content plays a greater role.



Cycle One

Cycle Two

The class setting for Science and Technology should be intellectually challenging and interesting. Tools and simple equipment must be available for use in gathering data to extend the senses. A science learning center should be set up where children can explore the properties of objects such as magnets and materials such as water.

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The main objectives of Science and Technology in the first cycle are:

- To motivate children with interesting science material and to help them build a foundation for language, mathematics, science and technological skills.
- To introduce children to important cognitive and process skills such as observing, comparing, space/time relationships, communicating and manipulating.
- To challenge children with problem solving steps i.e. identifying a problem, proposing a solution, implementing the proposed solution, evaluating the success of the solution and communicating the results.

In order to have a successful Science and Technology program teachers should:

- Base activities on children's prior knowledge and experience.
- Encourage children to ask questions and let them give possible explanations.
- Listen to their ideas.
- Keep activities short and within the children's developmental range.
- Make science experiences as interactive as possible by providing hands-on/enquiry activities.
- Vary the activities; use the outside as much as possible.
- Encourage the children to collect the materials they need.
- Establish a home / school connection.
- Encourage children to take things home and/or bring things from home.
- Provide opportunities to investigate familiar products and materials.
- Use simple tools and technology to construct and create.
- Enjoy the science time. Enthusiasm is contagious!

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EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCE

Standards / Goals

1 Earth and Space Science: The student understands atmospheric processes and the water cycle.

2 Earth and Space Science: The student understands Earth's composition and structure.

3 Earth and Space Science: The student understands the composition and structure of the universe and Earth's

place in it.

#10 Technology Sciences: The student understands the nature of technology. #11 Technology Sciences: The student understands the design of technology.

#13 Basic Science and Technology Skill: The student can define the nature of scientific and technological inquiry.

#14 Basic Science and Technology Skill: The student can explain the nature of scientific knowledge.

#15 Basic Science and Technology Skill: The student understands the abilities for a scientific and technological world.

TOPIC: WEATHER

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or Teacher-directed Experiences
Communication Skills: attentive listening, writing and speaking Social Skills: staying with the group, looking at the speaker, sharing material, using quiet voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving Process Skills: observing, comparing, measuring, classifying, predicting, investigating, using space / time relations, communicating, manipulating, interpreting	Outdoor environment Related books: • 'Sergio and the Hurricane' - Alexandra Wallner • 'Rain' by - Kristin Ward • 'Weather' Gallimard Jeunesse • 'Rain' - Joy Palmer • 'Weather Watch' - Julian Rowe and Molly Perham • 'Wind and Weather' - Barbara Taylor • 'My Science Book of Weather'- Neil Ardley

Poems and videos related to theme
Construction Material e.g. different types of paper and cardboard boxes
Art materials e.g. paper, glue, markers, fabric, straws, art sticks, wood, paint, scissors, prick pins, paint, paintbrushes etc.
Puzzles related to theme
Material for role-play (props, clothes)
Weather Chart
Materials for experiments e.g. ice, water, thermometer, containers, various types of materials: cotton, knitwear, rubber, plastic wrap, newspaper, rubber bands, paper cups, eye droppers Examples of clothing for a weather doll/bear
Posters/pictures showing different weather conditions

Target Behavior	Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
1. Explore and observe changes	Weather Observation	Whole Class and Small	Teacher observes or records a
in the weather on a daily basis	Vocabulary – sunny, rainy,	group	child:
	windy, cloudy, rainbow, sunshine, clouds, sun, hot, cool	Process Skills: Observing, predicting, comparing, measuring, classifying	Observing and telling about daily weather conditions.
	warm, breezy, chilly	Daily Weather Chart activities Each morning groups of children or individuals will go outside	Drawing a picture about the daily weather condition.
		and report on the weather and complete the chart.	Writing about the daily weather condition.
		Sort weather pictures	Identifying symbols or pictures on a weather chart
			that represent the daily weather condition.
			Telling how the weather condition affects him/her.
			Comparing weather

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			conditions over a period of time.
2. Identify appropriate dress for different weather conditions	Matching clothes with weather conditions Weather affects decisions made about clothing	Whole Group During Shared Reading read "Bear Gets Dressed" by Arnold Lobel (Harper & Row) Small group / Centers Process Skills: Communicating, comparing, classifying, inferring Sort collections of clothes (or pictures of clothes) into piles i.e. for sunny days, for windy days for cold days Dress dolls or teddy bears in clothing suitable for the weather conditions Process Skills: Manipulating, comparing, investigating Teacher prepares squares of material cut larger than the rim of a coffee can. (There must be enough samples of material for each group of five students.) The children must investigate the type of material that is suitable for rainy weather. Newspaper is spread out to protect work surfaces from spills. A square of material is spread over the top of an open coffee can and secured with a	 Teacher observes or records a child: Sorting appropriate clothing for given weather conditions. Conducting an investigation and recording the results Using process skills

		rubber band. The children use an eyedropper to drop water on the material and observe what happens. After trying several samples of material they record what happens and tell which material is better for rainy day wear and why.	
3. Explore and describe different kinds of weather	Types of weather conditions e.g. sunny, windy, rainy, cloudy Vocabulary: temperature, thermometer, rainfall, rain gauge, wind vane, north, south, east, west	Small group / Centers Process Skills: Observing, comparing, communicating, manipulating Simple experiments to: Measure heat, rainfall, wind strength and direction Teacher demonstrates how to use a thermometer. Children will then measure the temperature in different places i.e. in the sun, in the shade. Process Skill: Manipulating Create weather collages, 3D pictures Make pinwheels, sun visors, sail boats, Create weather books	Teacher observes or records a child: Telling how weather conditions are alike / different. Observing a science experiment and telling / drawing / writing what was observed. Creating working models. e.g. sailboats, pinwheels, rain gauge, wind vane Identifying different weather conditions. Predicting what will happen e.g. when ice is placed in the sun.
4. Design, construct and use a weather instrument	Weather instruments that measure the: • Amount of rainfall. • Direction of the wind.	Whole Class Process Skill: Communicating Discussion about weather instruments	Teacher observes or records a child: • Drawing a design for a weather instrument.

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5. Develop an awareness of the water cycle	• Strength of the wind. Formation of clouds Types of clouds	Small Group / Centers Process Skills: Observing, using space / time relations, comparing, communicating, manipulating, measuring, investigating The children can create a mini weather station using home- made instruments. Daily rainfall, temperature, wind direction and wind strength can be measured and recorded. Whole Class or small group Process Skills: Observing and predicting Observe the types of clouds on rainy, sunny and cloudy days	 Constructing a weather instrument. Using a home-made weather instrument. Recording information from observations. Teacher observes and records a child: Explaining in their own words the different processes of the water cycle.
	 What causes the rain to fall Movement of water through the Water Cycle: Where does rain come from? Where does rain go? Can you see water go up? Can you see rain come down? Vocabulary: evaporation, condensation 	Process Skills: Investigating, observing, manipulating Experiment: Put cold water in a pan and let it boil. Place ice in a screw top glass jar and tighten the cover. Hold the jar over the pan. (Use oven mitts) Discuss what happens.	

TOPIC: WATER

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or Teacher-directed Experiences
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking, eye-contact with the speaker, writing Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving Process Skills: Observing, communicating, using space/time relations, manipulating, measuring, investigating, predicting, inferring	Teacher Resources: • 'McGraw Hill Science' Grade K, 1 & 2 • 'Primary Science for the Caribbean: How to Teach Primary Science' – Ralph Douglass • 'Teaching Elementary Science' – William K. and Mary K. Esler Books related to topic: • Linkers 'Water discovered through Art and Technology / Science' – Karen Bryant-Mole • Macdonald Science Starters – 'Drips and Drops' • Science Explorers 'Water' – Nicola Edwards and Jane Harris, • Rainbow – Science is Fun 'Floating' – Charles Warren Water, ice, containers, spoons, a rock, a sponge, a coin, a block, a craft stick, a cork or any other small items, stop watch or timer, clock Pictures of sources of water

Target Behavior	Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
1. Identify and observe the	Water is wet and flows.	Small group / Centers	Teacher observes or records a
properties of water	Water takes the shape of the	Process Skills: Observing,	child:
	container it is in.	communicating, comparing,	Articulating the properties of
• Water is wet and flows.	Water reflects.	manipulating, predicting,	water with use of appropriate
	Water is transparent.	investigating	vocabulary.
	Things look different when	Let the children have free play	Describing experiments
	placed in water.	in the Water and Sand tray.	
	Vocabulary: wet / dry, flow,	Place some sand on sheets of	
	transparent, reflect, reflection	newspaper and place water on	
	Tall, wide, long, round, fast, faster,	sheets of newspaper. Ask the	
	fastest	children to place water on the	
	Justest	newspaper. The children are	
		asked to describe the two sets of	
• Water takes the shape of the		newspaper.	
container, which it is in.		Ask the children <i>How does water</i>	
,		<i>move?</i> ¹ Let them have drop races.	
		Place water in several differently	
		shaped containers and freeze it.	
		In order to have the children predict	
		ask them what shape the ice will be.	
Water reflects.			
Water reflects.		Whole Class	
		Let the children observe	
		pictures of reflections and	
		discuss experiences of seeing a	
Things look different		reflection in the water.	
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¹ Place a row on water drops at one end of the cookie tray, tilt the tray slowly and see which drop wins the race

when placed in water.		Small Group / Centers	
Water makes things look		Place water in a clear plastic	
bigger.		container e.g. a cut water bottle	
		and let a child hold the bottle	
		and look at their hand through	
		the container, Ask Does your	
		hand look different when you look at	
		it through the water?	
		Place a drop of water on a piece	
		of clear plastic. Hold the plastic	
		over a letter in a book and let a	
		child look at the letter.	
		Place a paintbrush in a	
		transparent container filled with	
		water. Let the children look at	
		the paintbrush from the side of	
		the container.	
2. Identify and observe the	Water has three forms.	Whole class or small group	Teacher observes and records a
states of water	When water changes from one	Process Skills: Observing,	child:
	form to another the amount	communicating, using space/time	 Identifying and naming the
	stays the same.	relations, manipulating, measuring,	three forms of water.
	Vocabulary: wet / dry, liquid, solid	investigating, predicting, inferring	 Using suggested process skills
	(ice), gas (steam), evaporate, freeze,	Freeze and boil water and	when experimenting with
	water vapour, melt, boil,	discuss observations	water.
	condensation	Pour a cup of water in a plastic	
		container and put in the freezer.	
		When it has turned to ice, let	
		the ice melt and measure the	
		amount of water in the	
		container.	
		Put an ice cube in a paper cup	

3. Discuss sources of water	Sources of water Vocabulary: source, tap, faucet, pond, spring, water tank, cistern, well	and discuss what happens. Guess how long the ice-cube will take to melt under different conditions, (in the sun, in the fridge, in the classroom, in the shade). Let the children observe what happens as water boils. Place a cold spoon at the end of the steam and discuss what happens. Make a glass of ice-water and observe how long it takes before condensation is seen. Place a child's hand in cold water and then warm water and ask them to tell the difference. Whole Class or small groups Discussion about sources of water based on picture discussion or during Shared Reading Process Skills: Observing, comparing, communicating Children collect water from different sources and compare them (by sight or smell). Children can infer that most of our water comes from the rain.	The teacher observes and records a child: • Telling sources of water. • Telling why water from certain sources cannot be used for drinking.
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4. Tell ways of using water	People use water for many different reasons. Vocabulary: bathing, washing, drinking, cooking, cleaning etc.	The process by which desalination takes place can be demonstrated ² Whole Class Discussion during Shared Reading The children create a 'Uses of Water' booklet	Teacher observes or records a child: • Telling, drawing, writing about uses of water.
5. Demonstrate and tell how to conserve water	It is very important not to waste water by leaving taps running.	Whole Class Discussion Demonstration by teacher Process Skills: Observing, using space/time relations, measuring Small group / Centers In order for the children to become aware of how much water is wasted by dripping taps they can: Count drops from a dripping tap in a given period of time, e.g. one minute Measure the amount of water that drips in an hour.	Teacher observes or records a child: • Telling ways of saving water at home or at school.
6. Explore and identify what sinks or floats.	When you put something in water it either stays on the top (floats) or goes under the water (sinks). Vocabulary: float / sink, heavy /	Small group/ Centers Process Skills: Observing, communicating, comparing, using space/time relations, manipulating, classifying, investigating	Teacher observes or records a child: • Testing for floating and sinking

² Salted water can be boiled in a small pan. As steam forms a cold metal spoon is placed in the steam. The drops of condensed water that form on the spoon are caught as they drip. This water will be fresh. If the water is allowed to boil until there is none left in the pan, the children will observe that salt is left as a residue.

	light	Children can work in pairs. Each group is given a bowl of water, a rock, a sponge, a coin, a block, a craft stick, a cork or any other small items. The children are asked to investigate which sink and which float. Give children a pumice stone to drop into the water and ask them to observe and tell what happens.	 Making boats that float Telling the result of an experiment.
7. Design and construct a boat that floats	Designing and making a boat that can float.	Small Group / Centers Process Skills: Observing,	Teacher observes or records a child:
	that can moat.	communicating, comparing, using space/time relations, manipulating, classifying, investigating, measuring The children can make boats and test their design to see if the boat sinks or floats. They can also see how long it takes to sink.	Making and testing a boat.

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or Teacher-directed Experiences
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking, eye-contact with the speaker, writing Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving Process Skills: observing, communicating, investigating, controlling variables, manipulating, comparing, predicting, inferring, using space/time relations	 Teacher Resources: 'McGraw Hill Science' Grade K, 1 & 2 'Primary Science for the Caribbean: How to Teach Primary Science' – Ralph Douglass Teaching Elementary Science' – William K. and Mary K. Esler Related books: 'Air & Flying' – David Evans and Claudette Williams Modern Curriculum Press – 'Science Level A, Life – Health – Earth – Physical' Jars with covers, mesh, rubber bands, pumps, bicycle tires, inflatable toys, balloons, A bucket, lengths of rope, dish liquid, empty dish liquid bottles, straws, cups of water, umbrella, soda cans, paper to make fans Six large sheets of tissue paper, glue, a hair dryer Paper to make airplanes, windmills, streamers, feathers, beads, cloth for parachutes, string, objects to be used as a weight for the parachutes

Target Behavior	Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
1. Recognize the importance of	Air is important for breathing,	Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a
air	making things move, pumping	Process Skills: Observing, predicting,	child:
	things up, drying and cooking.	controlling variables, investigating	• Telling why air is important.
		The teacher can collect two	• Carrying out experiments
	Vocabulary: air, breathe, wind	insects and put one in a jar with	and communicating what
		a cover without holes and one in	took place.
		a jar with a mesh cover. The jars	1
		can be placed in the Science	
		Center for observation. The	

2. Investigate the presence of air around us	Air is present but cannot be seen. Vocabulary: air, gas, invisible	dries and tell what happens to the mark. Small Group / Centers Process Skills: Investigating, communicating On a windy day the children can go outside and put up an umbrella. Question 'What do you feel when you push or pull an umbrella in front of you?'	Teacher observes or records a child: • Carrying out experiments. • Describing /drawing what happened.
		Process Skills: Manipulating, comparing Children can make a display of inflatable objects e.g. balloons, tires, toys. Small Group / Centers Process Skills: Investigating, inferring, communicating The children can work in pairs, each makes a mark on the chalkboard with a wet sponge. They blow on the mark until it	
		children can observe what happens to the insects. The children can breathe in and out whilst holding their diaphragms.	

The children can fan their face with their hands to feel the air. Process Skill: Manipulating Let the children make paper fans. Process Skills: Predicting, observing, communicating Place an empty soda can in water and observe what happens. Take an empty dish liquid bottle and squeeze it. (This needs to be done in an open place.) Process Skills: Observing, communicating Let the children go outside on a windy day and feel the breeze and discuss what they feel. Process Skills: Manipulating, observing, investigating, communicating In pairs they can blow up a balloon and let the air escape and see how it feels on different parts of the body. Blow through a straw into a cup of water and observe what happens. Make bubble mix in a bucket. Give each child a length of wire and let them make a loop at one

2 Investigate how six tales	Air taleag un ang ga	end. Dip the loop into the mix and make large bubbles. Challenge them to discover how to get the air out of the bubbles.	Too show absorring or responds -
3. Investigate how air takes up space	Air takes up space.	Small Group / Centers Process Skills: Observing, investigating, manipulating, communicating Blow up paper bags Ask 'What will happen if you burst the bag with your hands? Place an empty soda can or a blown up balloon in the water tray and observe what happens. Make a hot air balloon by pasting six large tissue paper leaf shapes together. Place a hair dryer under the opening, turn it on and observe what happens to the balloon.	 Teacher observes or records a child: Following instructions for doing experiments. Answering guided questions.
4. Investigate how air moves different things	Air can cause movement.	Small Group / Centers Process Skills: Comparing, using space/time relations, investigating, communicating, manipulating Children can make parachutes and test them. Try to move beads by blowing into a straw Try to move cut out paper butterflies using a fan. In pairs, one holds two pieces of	 Teacher observes or records a child: Following instructions for doing experiments. Answering guided questions.

		paper and the other blows between them. The children explain what happens. Children can see how long they can keep a feather in the air by blowing on it	
5. Design, construct and use an	Making fans, kites, windmills,	Small Group/Centers	Teacher observes or records a
object that proves:	paper planes	Children can make windmills,	child:
• Air surrounds us.		kites, paper planes or streamers	Designing and using the
• Air takes up space.		and fly them.	created object or model.
• Air can be used to move			
objects.			

TOPIC: LAND

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or Teacher-directed Experiences
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking, eye-contact with the speaker, writing Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving Process Skills: observing, classifying, comparing, manipulating, communicating, predicting	Teacher Resources: • 'McGraw Hill Science' Grade K, 1 & 2 • 'Primary Science for the Caribbean: How to Teach Primary Science' – Ralph Douglass • 'Teaching Elementary Science' – William K. and Mary K. Esler Books related to topic: • 'Talk about Sand' –Angela Webb • 'I Am a Rock' – Jean Marzollo • First Look – 'Under the Ground' – Daphne Butler • 'Rocks and Soil' – Kay Davies and Wendy Oldfield Outside environment Different rocks, sand, sand tray, plastic sieves, sand tools and shapes, small buckets and spades, scales, hand lenses, coins, pumice rocks, jars, paper cups, soil Sorting trays, Venn diagrams, hoops, paper plates with sections, string

Target Behavior	Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
1. Identify different earth	Earth materials consist of dirt,	Small Group / Centers	Teacher observes or records a
materials	sand and rocks.	Process Skill: Comparing	child:
	Vocabulary: soil, sand, sift,	Take some dirt from different	Comparing soil from
	smooth/rough, sharp, shiny,	environments and compare	different places and
	bumpy, heavy/light	them.	identifying differences.
		Process Skills: Classifying,	Examining dirt and
2. Classify rocks according to		measuring	telling/drawing what is
their properties		Collect rocks and sort them	observed.
		according to their attributes	00001.04.

3. Observe and identify what soil / sand is made of	Soil consists of stones, living and non-living things. Sand comes from rocks and shells. Sand is made up of grains. Dry sand flows like water. Sand absorbs water easier than soil. Sand behaves differently when wet.	such as color, shape, size, texture, weight Process Skills: Observing, classifying, investigating Use coins to scratch different rocks and observe what happens, then sort the rocks accordingly. Process Skills: Predicting, investigating, inferring, observing, classifying, communicating, manipulating Rub two rocks together and tell what happens. Pour vinegar on rocks, observe what happens and sort Whole Class Process Skills: Communicating, observing, comparing, classifying Field trip to the beach to collect shells, pebbles and sand. Small Group / Centers Process Skill: Investigating Free sand play to observe how sand flows when dry, how sand moves when wet / dry, what happens when you blow on sand, the differences between wet and dry sand, which sand is better for molding shapes.	 Examining and sorting rocks according to own criteria. Experimenting with rocks. Teacher observes or records a child: Telling the differences between sand and soil. Telling the differences between wet and dry sand.
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		Process Skill: Observing, comparing Take up some dirt and look at it	
		under a hand lens and sift it.	
		Repeat with sand from the	
		beach.	
		Compare results.	
		Process Skills: Observing,	
		investigating, hypothesizing, using	
		space/time relations	
		The teacher makes three small	
		holes in the bottom of two cups.	
		Fill one cup with sand and one	
		with soil and pour water into	
		each.	
		The children observe what	
		happens and see which holds	
		water longer.	
		Create pictures using sand.	
		Use shells to make craft or	
		pictures.	
4. Design and construct a paper	Making a paper weight	Small Group / Centers	Teacher observes or records a
weight	Vocabulary: paper-weight	Process Skills: Comparing, using	child:
		space/time relations, investigating,	 Creating a paper weight.
		communicating, manipulating	
		Create a paper- weight.	

TOPIC: THE SKY

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or Teacher-directed Experiences
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking, eye-contact with the speaker, writing Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving Process Skills: observing, comparing, inferring, manipulating	 * 'McGraw Hill Science' Grade K, 1 & 2 * 'Primary Science for the Caribbean: How to Teach Primary Science' – Ralph Douglass * 'Teaching Elementary Science' – William K. and Mary K. Esler Books related to topic * 'Why Does the Moon Change Shape' – Isaac Asimov, * 'The Magic School Bus – Lost in the Solar System' – Joanna Cole & Bruce Degen * 'Do Stars Have Points' – Melvin and Gilda Berger * 'Me and My Place in Space' – Joan Sweeney Outdoor environment Art material: card, construction paper, glue, paint, colors, markers, prick pins, paintbrushes, silver paper or foil, hangers (wire), star cut-outs Posters / pictures of day and night skies: Calendars

Target Behavior	Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
1. Observe and identify	Different objects (celestial	Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a
objects in the day and	bodies) can be seen in the day	Process Skill: Observing	child:
night sky	and night skies.	The children go outside to look at	Naming, identifying and
	Vocabulary: moon, stars, sun, sky,	the sky (Do not let the children look	describing objects seen in the
	sphere, planet	directly at the sun) and discuss what is	day and night skies.
		seen.	Telling about daytime and
	Day and Night	Process Skill: Comparing	night time activities.
	Vocabulary: rotate, spin, Earth	Compare objects seen in the day and	 Describing how the shape of
		night sky (To look at the night sky can	Describing now the shape of

	Stars	be a parent/child assignment)	the moon seems to change.
	The sun is the closest star.	Compare posters or pictures of day	
	The sun is a ball of hot gases.	and night skies	
	The sun gives us light and heat.	Teacher demonstration of the	
2. Tell how day and	The sun causes seasonal	rotation of the Earth around the sun	
night occurs	changes.	Process Skill: Manipulating, inferring,	
		using space, / time relations	
	Moon	Children can make their own	
	The moon is not a star.	models and <i>infer</i> that different places	
3. State the different	The moon is our nearest	on Earth receive sunlight at the	
phases of the moon	neighbor in space.	same time.	
	The moon changes (full, half,	Calendar Activity	
	crescent)	Record the days when the moon is	
		full, half or a crescent	
	Earth	Small Group	
	Earth is a planet.	Process Skill: Manipulating	
	There are other planets that	Children can create day / night	
	move around the sun.	mobiles with cut out (pricked) stars,	
	Vocabulary: planet, solar system,	moons and suns.	
	universe, telescope	Discuss / role – play day and night	
		activities	
	Extension Topic — 'Man in Space'	Collect pictures of sunrise, sunsets	
	(Link with Social Studies)	Create pictures of sunrise or sunset	
		Make a collage or models of the	
		moon phases	

Process Skill: Observing, manipulating The children can make a constellation box ³	
Flash light black	
paper	

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³ To make the constellation box, cut off one end of a large shoe box. Cut out a circular hole about 6 cm. diameter in the opposite end. With a pin puncture holes in a piece of black construction paper. The holes must be made in the pattern of a common constellation. Tape the paper over the cut-off end of the box. Make the room dark and shine a flashlight through the hole

LIFE SCIENCE

Standards / Goals

4 Life Science: The student understands the structure and function of cells and organisms.

5 Life Science: The student understands the relationships among organisms and their physical

environment.

6 Life Science: The student understands biological evolution and the diversity of life.

#13 Basic Science and Technology Skill: The student can define the nature of scientific and technological inquiry.

#14 Basic Science and Technology Skill: The student can explain the nature of scientific knowledge.

TOPIC: LIVING AND NON-LIVING THINGS

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or Teacher-directed Experiences
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking, eye-contact with the speaker, writing Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving Process Skills: communicating, observing, comparing, inferring, manipulating, classifying, investigating, predicting, controlling variables	Teacher Resources: • 'McGraw Hill Science' Grade K, 1 & 2 • 'Primary Science for the Caribbean: How to Teach Primary Science' – Ralph Douglass • 'Teaching Elementary Science' – William K. and Mary K. Esler Immediate and School environment Poems, books, and videos related to theme Concrete materials: living specimens of plants, animals (pets e.g. hamsters, cats) and examples of non-living things Artificial plants Aquarium/nest/ a toy barn, doghouse, terrarium Magnifying glasses Plastic/real/stuffed/magnet animals, fruits, vegetables Material for role play (props, clothes) Posters/pictures/charts of living and non-living things (different

types of animals, plants, people), magazines
Venn and Carroll Diagrams or strings/threads, hoops/sorting rings

Target Behavior	Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
1. Tell the differences between living and non-living things	Differences between living and non-living things Living things breathe, move, grow, feed and reproduce. Vocabulary: living, non-living, dead Breathe, gills, nose, lungs, mouth Crawl, wiggle, glide, leap, walk, fly etc. Hatch, birth, young, seed, seedling Names of Baby Animals e.g. calf, chick, lamb etc. Names of male, female animals e.g. cow / bull, hen / rooster etc.	Whole Class Process Skills: Communicating, comparing, manipulating, classifying Discussion about the differences between living and non-living things using: posters / pictures, videos, plastic or living specimens Tour of the school or immediate environment to identify samples of living and non-living things Small group / Centers Process Skills: Observing, classifying, manipulating Observing in the Science Center, which contains plastic or living specimens of animals, plants, and examples of non-living things Having the children sort examples of living and non-living things using a Venn/Carroll Diagrams, hoops/sorting rings	 Teacher observes or records a child: Listing differences between living and non-living things. Sorting examples of living and non-living things. Identifying/pointing out living and non-living things using pictures and real objects.
2. Demonstrate an understanding that all living things have needs	What living things need to survive: air, food, water, shelter	Whole Class Process Skills: Communicating Discussion about what living things need to survive (food, air, water, shelter) using video, posters/charts, role-plays Small group / Centers Process Skills: Communicating, manipulating,	Teacher observes or records a child: • Telling what living things need to survive.

investigating, comparing, controlling variables, predicting, measuring

Take two glass jars and put live cockroaches in each. Cover one with wire mesh secured by a rubber band and cover the next with a screw top cover. Let the children predict and then observe what happens.

Take two similar potted plants. Smear the leaves and stem of one with Vaseline (to stop air from entering the plant). Leave the plants in the sun and water them regularly. Let the children observe and see what happens. Let the children observe what happens when they pinch their nose and close their mouth. Place a wet cotton ball into a washed half eggshell and sprinkle grass seeds on it. Observe what happens.

A control experiment can be set when the seeds are placed on a dry cotton ball. For enjoyment the eggshell can be decorated as a face and set on a decorated strip of 1 by 6 inch card strip. When the grass sprouts it will become 'hair'. 4

Three groups of children can plant a bean in two separate pots with the same conditions with one exception.



3. Classify living things into groups	Classifying living things: Humans, animals, plants Animals - insects, birds, reptiles, amphibians, mammals Plants - herbs, shrubs and trees Other ways of classifying - external coverings, ways of moving, habitat, movement, sounds made	Group One — Waters one container and not the other Group Two — Places one pot in sunlight and the other in the dark Group Three — Uses sand in one container and soil in another Children can compare and contrast the results. Whole Class Discussion about the various groups that living things belong to using posters/pictures/charts Sing songs/recite poems/rhymes Small group / Centers Process Skills: Classifying, communicating, comparing, manipulating Having the children sort examples of livings things into the various groups (fishes /birds/insects or living things that fly / crawl/swim/ walk) using a Venn/Carroll Diagrams, hoops/sorting rings Role play animal movements and sounds Cut and paste activities using magazines Matching activities	Teacher observes or records a child: • Sorting living things into the various groups and giving reasons for choice (using a Venn/Carroll Diagrams, hoops/sorting rings) • Demonstrating how animals move and make sounds that animals make.
4. Recognize and name	Parts of plants (root,	Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a
the different parts of	stem, leaf, trunk) and	Using an actual or artificial plant to point out	child:
plants and their functions	their functions	and name the parts and their functions	Naming and identifying the
	Root – stabilizes the	Making a collage	different parts of the plant and
	plant and provides	Small group / Centers	their functions.
	food and water	Process skills: Observing, comparing, classifying,	
	Stem – supports other	manipulating	

5. Identify how animals are alike and different	parts of the plant Leaf — makes food Identification of animal characteristics Classification by similar characteristics e.g. presence of a backbone, body covering, facial features Vocabulary: backbone, feathers, fur, skin, scales, eyes, ears, mouth, nose, beak, wings, legs, footprints	Collecting and comparing leaves and roots of different plants Nature walk in the immediate environment to observe and compare plants Making and comparing leaf prints and rubbings of e.g. a tree trunk Whole Class Process Skills: Communicating, observing, classifying, inferring Using children's suggestions create an animal ABC, then classify the animals from the suggested list (e.g. those with / without a backbone). Zoo trip Show and tell (animals) Small Groups / Centers Process Skills: Observing, communicating, manipulating, classifying, inferring Using cut-out pictures of animals, plastic, sponge animals the children can identify similarities and differences between different types of animals	Teacher observes or records a child: • Identifying how animals are alike and different. • Classifying animals by similar characteristics.
6. Investigate features that help animals and plants live and survive in different environments	Easily observable physical features that help animals / plants live in certain places e.g. Ducks — webbed feet, oily feathers Birds — differently shaped beaks for	Whole Class or Small Groups Discussion about how animals defend themselves using secondary sources e.g. videos, books Process Skills: Observing, communicating, comparing, classifying, investigating Observe and compare animals in natural settings e.g. by the beach, in the school environment (indoors and outdoors)	 Teacher observes or records a child: Identifying features that help animals and plants live in certain environments. Listing ways in which animals defend themselves.

Related Topics: • Animals of Long Ago (Dinosaurs) • Habitats	feeding Fish — gills, scales, body shape —Survival Features Cactus — fleshy stems, no leaves Plants — brightly colored flowers or fruits Shells — turtles, tortoises, crabs Use of color for camouflage Stings — bees, wasps, scorpions, centipedes		
7a. Differentiate between	Names of young	Whole Class or small group	Teacher observes or records a
old and young animals	/parent animals and	Process Skills: Communicating, observing,	child:
and plants	plants	classifying	Matching and naming parents
71 11	Animals reproduce by	Collect and match pictures of old and young	and young of different living
7b. Identify the different	laying eggs or giving	living things	things.
ways in which animals	live birth.	Sequence pictures to show stages of growth.	Identifying ways in which
reproduce	Plants reproduce by producing seeds or by	Investigate the life of a butterfly, frog, hen Watch related videos	animals and plants reproduce.
	growth from plant	Grow peas or beans	
	parts.	Grow plants from cuttings e.g. carrot, onion,	
	Vocabulary: hen/chick,	potato, 'spider' plant	
	cow/calf, dog/puppy,	Process Skills: Investigating, controlling variables,	
	cat/kitten,	observing, comparing, communicating,	
	plant/seedling,	manipulating, measuring,	

horse/foal,
frog/tadpole...
Cutting, stem, root, leaf,
seed
Live birth, eggs, hatch,
lay, life cycle, caterpillar,
cocoon, butterfly,
tadpole, frog, chick,
chrysalis, change, egg
yolk

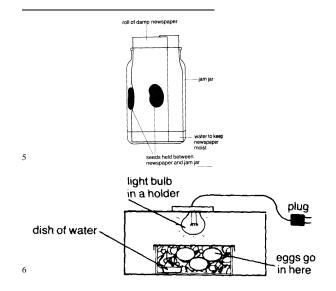
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⁵Germination experiments are to be set up consecutively:

- 1. Seeds with water
- 2. Seeds without water
- 3. Seeds placed in a dark place with water
- 4. Seeds placed in a dark place without water Changes (if any) to seeds are recorded. Growth can be measured with standard or non-standard units.

Take three, green, potted plants. Place one in the sunlight and cover one with a large brown paper sack. Let the children observe and tell what happens after two or three days. Let one plant stay without water and observe what happens to the plant.

⁶Incubate an egg until it hatches.



The box can be a shoebox filled with grass. Be sure to use fertilized eggs.

TOPIC – THE HUMAN BODY

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or
	Teacher-directed Experiences
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking, eye-contact with the speaker, writing Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving Process Skills: communicating, observing, comparing, inferring, manipulating, classifying, investigating, predicting, controlling variables	,
	PowerKids Readers, Clean and Healthy series: 'Washing My Hands'; 'Brushing My Teeth'; 'Eating Right'; 'Let's Exercise'; 'Taking Care of My Hair'; 'Taking My Bath' Let's Explore Science 'Me and My Body' — David Evans and Claudette Williams Literature, magazines, cassettes and videos related to theme Male / female dolls, full-length mirror, materials for making stethoscopes, clay / plasticine, crackers, stopwatch, skeleton, measuring equipment, soap, old white T-shirt, white face cloths Immediate school environment Tray with 5 — 10 items on it e.g. a plastic cup, a book, a soft toy, a Lego block, a cylindrical block, a bell, a tissue, a pencil, a ruler and a rag Blindfolds, a bag containing different items with different textures

Several paper bags filled with fruit or vegetables that have a strong scent, fine haired paintbrushes, feathers

Hand lenses, small mirrors, parts of objects e.g. a leaf, a piece of bark or shell; cup, commercial posters or pictures with hidden pictures, 'find the difference' pictures, string or hops, tape recording of everyday sounds, objects of different textures for a Feely bag, pieces of fruit, food or vegetables, small cups with different flavoured drinks, percussion instruments, 'smell pots and strongly scented items e.g. onion, herbs, milk, drink mix or coffee, orange, chocolate, vinegar etc.

Target Behavior	Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
1. Identify basic body parts and	Identifying and naming body	Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a
their functions	parts and their functions	Process Skills: Observing,	child:
	Skeleton – gives the body shape,	communicating, manipulating,	Naming, locating and
	protects vital organs (brain,	measuring, comparing,	labeling body parts correctly.
	lungs, heart and stomach)	investigating, space/time relations	Telling the basic functions of
	Muscles – help the body to	Using a child, puppets or dolls	each body part.
	move	teacher can name parts of the	The second secon
	Skin – protects the body	body.	
	Brain – controls thinking and	Trace the outline of a child onto	
	body function	large sheets of paper and place it	
	Lungs – help us to breathe	on a bulletin board. Let the	
	Heart – pumps blood through	children place body part labels	
	out the body	in the correct position.	
	Stomach – breaks down food	Singing songs such as 'Head,	
	Vocabulary: skeleton, skull, pelvis,	Shoulders, Knees and Toes' that	
	ribs, lungs, heart, stomach, muscles,	help children to remember body	
	contract, extend, urinate, stool,	parts	

⁷ Smell pots can be made by covering empty yogurt pots with pieces of panty hose held in place with a rubber band.

digest	Playing a simplified version of 'I
	Spy'
Curriculum Link: Health and	Give the children clues and let
Physical Education	them guess the body part, e.g. 'I
	am thinking of a body part that I
	use for chewing.'
	Small Group / Centers
	Pairs of children can listen to
	each other's heartbeat using
	home-made stethoscopes.
	Older children can use a
	stopwatch to count how many
	beats are heard in one minute.
	Results can be graphed.
	Use clay to make models of the
	internal organs.
	Children can measure different
	parts of the body e.g. feet and
	graph the results.
	The children can look at their
	skin through a magnifying glass.
	Using markers, draw the outline
	of a heart, stomach and lungs on
	an old white T-shirt. Children
	can wear the shirt and identify
	the internal organs.

2a. Identify and name the senses and sense organs	We have five senses – touch, taste, sight, hearing and smell. Vocabulary: sense names, eyes, ears, nose, mouth, tongue, skin, hands	Whole Class Discussion stimulated by Shared Reading, singing or rhymes e.g. 'Two Little Eyes' Process Skills: Communicating, observing, manipulating Project - Creation of an interactive sense display	Teacher observes or records a child: • Identifying, naming and matching the senses and the respective body parts.
3. Develop an awareness that senses can be used to learn about the environment	Our senses help us to learn about our environment.	Whole Class Process Skills: Observing, communicating, comparing Sight — ⁸ Change Game ⁹ Kim's Game Sense Walk — Teacher uses open-ended questioning to help the children identify what they hear and see. A child is blindfolded and placed in the middle of a circle of children. Someone calls the child and the child must find the person. The teacher asks if it	 Teacher observes or records a child: Identifying given items using their senses. Telling why we need the senses. Identifying the source of a sound.

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⁸ Let the children find a partner. Each child looks carefully at the other. One partner closes their eyes and the other makes a change in his/her appearance. His/her partner opens his/her eyes and tries to find the change. The partner's roles are reversed. *The teacher may help those children who have difficulty in changing their appearance. Changes must be simple e.g. changing shoes, undoing a button. The teacher can also demonstrate by letting the children find a change that he/she made.*

⁹ The teacher places up to ten items on a tray and lets the children look at them for 2 or 3 minutes. He / She removes the tray and asks the children to name the objects that were on the tray.

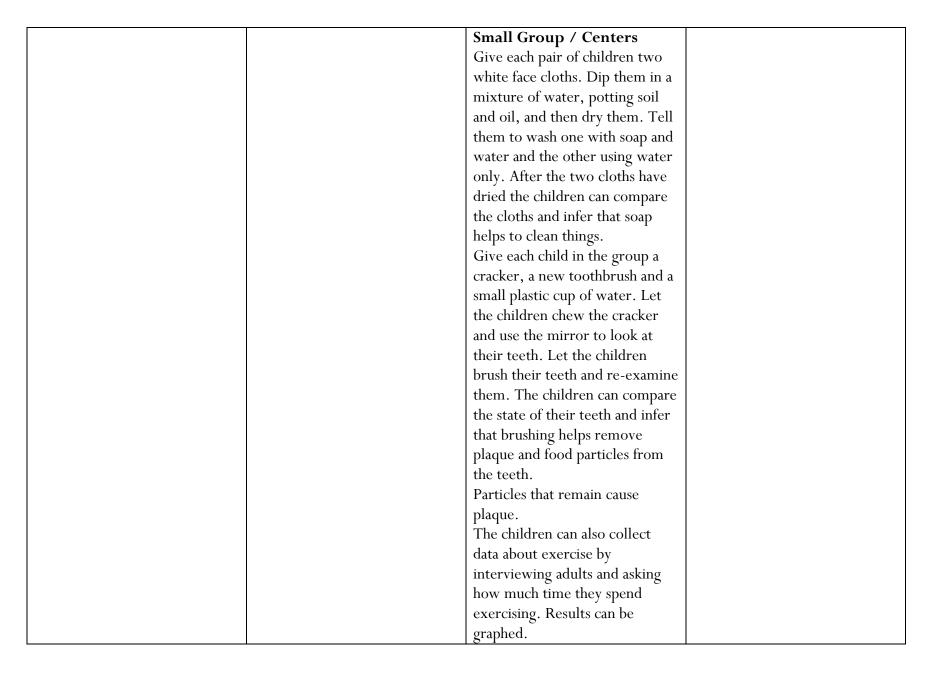
was easy to find the person and
why/why not).
Small Group / Centers
Process Skills: Communicating,
manipulating, predicting, inferring
Feely Bag – A bag is filled with
different items. A blind folded
child must guess what the items
are.
What is in the Bag? – Children
must identify what is in the bag
by smelling and feeling.

4. Participate in simple Exploration using the senses. **Small Group / Centers** Teacher observes or records a experiments to discover Vocabulary: high / low; Process Skills: Communicating, child: information using their senses hard / soft; same / different; sweet manipulating, classifying, inferring, • Comparing items and telling / sour; bitter / salty; investigating about differences. hot / cold; rough / smooth; **Sight** • Noting differences and dry / wet; loud / soft Observing given natural objects similarities between pictures. with or without a hand lens and • Identifying objects by smell, then comparing what has been taste or touch. observed. • Identifying objects by sound. Identifying an object by its part • Identifying objects by their e.g. a shell, a flower, a leaf etc. parts. Explore a given area within a hoop and telling /drawing what was observed. Play 'I Spy' Sound Children are asked to guess the sound after listening to a recording e.g. rain, a kettle whistling, crying, a dog barking etc. The children can work in pairs. One is seated and blindfolded. The other plays a note on a triangle in various positions and the partner has to point to the direction of the sound.

5. Identify ways of maintaining body function	Healthy habits: proper nutrition, exercise, rest, hygiene	Touch Use a Feely bag Individual children can test themselves for sensitivity for touch by touching parts of the body with a feather or a strand of hair or a fine paintbrush. 10 Taste Blindfolded children can be given small pieces of food to taste and identify e.g. pretzels, pickles, grapes, candy, citrus fruits or different flavours of juice. Smell Smell pots can be used for smelling. A child sniffs one pot and guesses what is in the container. Whole Class Discussion about personal health habits Small Group/Centers	Teacher observes and records the child: • Identifying ways of
	Curriculum Link Health and Physical Education	Small Group/Centers Process Skills: Observing, communicating, investigating,,	maintaining body function. • Collecting and organizing data
	Social Studies	comparing, interpreting, comparing,	aucu

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¹⁰ Safety rules must be adhered to. Children should be reminded to take care of their sense organs and not to taste, touch or smell objects or substances without adult presence.



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

PHYSICAL SCIENCE

Standards / Goals

7 Physical Science: The student understands the structure and properties of matter. # 8 Physical Science: The student understands the sources and properties of energy.

9 Physical Science: The student understands force and motion.

#10 Technology Sciences: The student understands the nature of technology. #11 Technology Sciences: The student understands the design of technology.

#13 Basic Science and Technology Skill: The student can define the nature of scientific and technological inquiry.

#14 Basic Science and Technology Skill: The student can explain the nature of scientific knowledge.

#15 Basic Science and Technology Skill: The student understands the abilities for a scientific and technological world.

TOPIC: MATTER

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or Teacher-directed Experiences
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking, eye-contact with the speaker, writing Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving Process Skills: communicating, observing, comparing, inferring, manipulating, classifying, investigating, predicting, controlling variables	 Teacher Resources: 'McGraw Hill Science' Grade K, 1 & 2 'Primary Science for the Caribbean: How to Teach Primary Science' – Ralph Douglass 'Teaching Elementary Science' – William K. and Mary K. Esler Books related to topic: Everyday Science series – 'Changing Form', 'Materials' – Peter Riley 'Bright Ideas for Science' - Scholastic Sorting trays, plastic plates, hoops, string, Venn and Caroll diagrams, small containers, beads, blocks, laces, assorted plastic toys, teddy bear counters, colored counters, objects with different textures e.g. sandpaper, colored strings, toys, cubes, colored paper clips, buttons

and other items that can be sorted by color, shape, texture and size,
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A large transparent container, water, rocks or other solid items,
balloons, clay, string, a straw, an empty juice box, a sponge

Target Behavior	Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
1. Classify objects by their properties	Materials can be classified according to size, color, shape, texture, weight or any other criteria such as natural or artificial, living, non-living, (suggested by the teacher or children). * A very good way to start a topic on matter is for the children to make collections of different kinds: wood, plastic, cloth, metal, stones and rocks, shells, paper. The children can sort and group them. They should be encouraged to feel and touch the materials and describe them verbally.	 Small Group / Centers Process skills: Observing, comparing, communicating, classifying, measuring The children are given a mixed bag of objects to sort. Each group is given 5 plates, one has: 2 items that are the same shape and color but different sizes 2 items the same shape, weight and size but a different color 2 items with the same color, weight and size with different shapes 2 items that have the same color, weight, size and shape but different texture 2 items that have the same color, size, shape, texture but different weights The children will find out why the items are different. 	Teacher observes or records a child: • Sorting objects and giving reasons for choice.

2. Sort matter by its physical	Matter is anything living or non-	Small Group / Centers	Teacher observes or records a
properties	living that has mass and takes up	The teacher provides each group	child:
	space.	with different objects or	Classifying objects or
	Mass is the amount of material	materials that are examples of	materials as being solid,
	that an object has in it.	the different states of matter	liquid or gas.
	Volume is the amount of space	(solid, liquid, gas) e.g. water,	1 0
	that an object takes up.	beads/cubes, an inflated	• Giving examples of solid,
	Matter can be described by its	balloon.	liquid or gas
	state.	Through guided questioning the	
	The three states of matter are	child can discover the properties	
	solid, liquid and gas.	of each state.	
	Vocabulary: matter, solid, liquid,	Can you hold it in your	
	gas	hands?	
		• Can you pour it?	
		• Does it change shape?	
		• Is it a solid, liquid or gas?	
		Children can find or collect	
		examples of each state of	
		matter.	
3. Explore properties of matter	Matter has three states.	Small Group / Centers	Teacher observes and records
	All matter has mass (weight) and	Process Skills: Observing, predicting,	when a child:
	takes up space.	communicating, measuring,	• States the properties that all
	Vocabulary: space, level, rise	manipulating	matter share.
		Matter takes up space.	
		Fill a transparent container with	
		water and mark the water level.	
		Drop a rock or another solid	
		into the water and observe what	
		happens (the water level rises)	
		Repeat but add water or another	

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		liquid instead of a rock.	
		Blow air into a balloon and	
		observe what happens.	
		Put a balloon over the neck of a	
		clean 2-litre plastic soda bottle.	
		Ask group members what is in	
		the bottle. Holding the balloon	
		tightly on the neck, ask a child	
		to squeeze the 'empty' bottle	
		and state what happens.	
	Weight, mass, weigh, heavy / light,	Matter has mass (weight)	
	heavier / lighter	Children weigh different solids	
	J J	and liquids.	
		Children find a way to compare	
		the weight of an inflated and a	
		deflated balloon.	
4. Investigate the differences	A solid has a shape and volume	Small Group / Centers	Teacher observes or records
between the states of matter	of its own.	Process Skills: Observing,	when a child:
	A liquid has a certain volume	communicating, comparing,	Tells the differences between
	but no shape of its own. It takes	classifying, manipulating,	the states of matter.
	the shape of the container into	investigating	the states of matter.
	which it is poured.	Observe different solids when	
	A gas has no volume or shape of	placed in water to see if their	
	its own.	shape changes.	
	Vocabulary: liquid, solid, gas,	Pour liquids into different	
	shape, volume, container	containers and freeze. The ice	
		will be the same shape as the	
		container.	
		Boil water and watch as the	
		steam disappears. (The steam	
		disappears because it diffuses into	

the air.)	
	er into a glass, blow air
	hrough a straw. The air
changes	into bubbles.
Blow up	o different-shaped
balloons	s (The balloon shape
determi	nes the shape of the air).
5. Investigate ways in which Matter can be changed. Small (Group / Centers Teacher observes and records
matter can be changed. It can be changed by changing <i>Process S</i>	kills: Observing, when a child:
the form or the state. communi	<i>icating, comparing,</i> • Demonstrates how to change
You can change the form by classifying	ng, manipulating, the form or state of matter.
stretching, twisting, bending, investiga	
squashing and mixing with Each chi	ild in the group is given
water. an object	et and asked to change its
	g. clay, balloons, string,
a straw,	an empty juice box, a
sponge	
1 0	hildren can design a
table to	record their results.
Take se	veral substances such as
sugar, d	rink mix, oil, flour and
	ace them in separate
, ,	ers, add water to them
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	ord results.
	ater or juice in several
	tly shaped containers
	eze it. In order to have the
	predict ask them what
	e ice will be.
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	Related Topics: Same / Different Materials Water Paper Change (Cooking)	happens. Children observe melting by placing shallow bowls filled with ice-cubes, butter or ice cream in the sun. Children place a shallow bowl of water in the sun and note what happens after a period of time. Children observe what happens to a candle, paper, an egg (boiled or fried) or other foods (e.g. popcorn (microwavable)) when heated. *Stress safety rules	
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TOPIC – HEAT

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or Teacher-directed Experiences
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking, eye-contact with the speaker, writing Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving Process Skills: communicating, observing, comparing, inferring, manipulating, classifying, investigating, predicting, controlling variables	 Teacher Resources: 'McGraw Hill Science' Grade K, 1 & 2 'Primary Science for the Caribbean: How to Teach Primary Science' – Ralph Douglass 'Teaching Elementary Science' – William K. and Mary K. Esler Immediate Environment Objects or pictures of: the sun, candles, iron, stove, coals (lit), lamps, flashlights, bulbs etc.

Two smooth stones, rocks, sticks or wooden blocks 11 Thermometers (Different kinds), containers for water Shallow bowls, ice-cream, butter/margarine, ice, a candle, matches, paper, an egg, pot or frying pan or microwave oven Plastic cups, hand-towel or sock, aluminum foil, paper, kitchen
paper, warm water Objects made of different materials e.g. rubber, wood, plastic, paper, metal Poster showing uses of heat

Target Behavior	Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
1. Recognize that there is a	a. Where there is light heat is	Whole Class / Small Group	Teacher observes or records a
relationship between heat and	produced.	Teacher-directed activity.	child:
light	b. There can be heat without	Process skills: Observing, comparing,	• Sorting the objects / pictures
	light.	communicating, manipulating	into the given subsets.
	Vocabulary: heat, hot, warm, cold,	Teacher shows the children	3
	friction, light	objects and or pictures of a	
		number of objects such as the	
		sun, candles, iron, stove, coals	
		(lit), lamps, flashlights, bulbs,	
		hair dryer etc.	
		Children talk about each object	
		/ picture and then children sort	
		them into subsets using hoops or	
		Venn or Caroll diagrams:	
		Those that produce heat and	
		light	
		• Those that produce heat.	

¹¹ The children will not be reading degrees. It is suggested that strips be made to tape on the Fahrenheit side of the thermometer. The strips can be coloured to match areas on the thermometer (Centigrade degrees) e.g. Cold (below 0-blue), cool (0-20-green), warm (20-30-yellow), hot (above 30-orange)

2. Demonstrate how heat can be produced	Friction produces heat. Vocabulary: rub together, palm	Process skills: Observing, comparing, communicating, manipulating, investigating, controlling variables, space/time relations On a sunny day children can place different objects in the sun. After a time the children can touch the objects and tell how they feel. As a control similar objects can be put in a cupboard or in the shade. The teacher can switch on a lamp and allow one or to children to place their hand above the bulb and tell what they feel. (This activity must be strictly supervised.) Whole Class Process Skills: Observing, communicating, manipulating,	Teacher observes or records a child: • Predicting that the objects
		comparing, investigating, predicting Teacher asks children to rub the palms of their hands together, (teacher demonstrates first), and tell what happens. Teacher repeats by letting the children rub two wooden blocks or two rocks. Teacher lets the children predict what will happen to the blocks, sticks or	get hotter when they are rubbed together. • Demonstrating how to produce heat.

		rocks.	
3. Identify instruments that can	Measurement of heat	Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a
be used to measure how hot or	Vocabulary: thermometer,	Process skills: Observing,	child:
cold something is	temperature	communicating, manipulating, predicting, inferring Discussion about measuring instruments known by the children. Teacher shows the collection of thermometers and lets the children tell of experiences with them. Teacher fills two bowls one with warm water and one with cold and lets the children tell which is hotter. Their predictions are confirmed with the thermometer Small Group / Centers Children then predict and measure the heat in different places e.g. in the sun or shade, by a window, in a cupboard. Children can infer and tell the hottest, coldest spots in the classroom and then check by using a thermometer to measure.	 Telling experiences of using a thermometer. Measuring with a thermometer and communicating results by telling or drawing.
4. Recognize and observe how	Heat changes matter.	Small Group /Centers	Teacher observes or records a
heat changes matter	Heat comes from different	Process skills: Observing,	child:
S	sources.	communicating, investigating,	Telling / drawing what has

5. Recognize that dark materials	Vocabulary: solid, liquid, melt, evaporate (some children) Dark materials absorb more heat	manipulating, controlling variables Children observe melting by placing a tray with a piece of chocolate, ice, a candle and a slice of cheese in the sun. Children place a shallow bowl of water in the sun and note what happens after a period of time. Children observe what happens to a slice of bread when placed in a toaster and what happens to water when boiled. Children can put 5 ice-cubes into each of two transparent containers. One is filled with cold water and the other with hot water. After 5 minutes they can observe and compare the number of ice cubes remaining in each container. Some children can have an ice- cube melt race. Each team is given one ice cube and asked to find ways to melt their ice cube before the other teams melt theirs. Whole Class	 been observed. Using enriched vocabulary. Explaining an experiment. Predicting changes.
absorb heat and light materials	than light ones.	Process Skills: Observing,	child:
reflect heat		comparing, communicating,	Explaining why darker
		investigating	objects are hotter when
		Let the children go outside.	placed in the sun.

		Place large sheets of black and white construction paper in an area which is exposed to the sun. After several minutes let them feel the papers. Discuss the results. Discuss the type of clothes to be worn on a sunny day.	Telling why it is important to wear light-colored clothes on sunny days.
6. Identify common examples of good/bad conductors of heat	Conductors of heat allow heat to pass through easily. Metals are good conductors. Plastic, glass, wood and paper are poor conductors. Vocabulary: conductor, poor/good, metal, plastic, hot, warm, cool, cold	Whole Class Process skills: Observing, comparing, manipulating, communicating Place spoons with different handles e.g. metal, wooden and plastic in a container of moderately hot water. After some time let the children touch the spoon handles and say if the handle is hot, warm, cool or cold. Small Group / Centers Place different objects in the sun and after some time let the children tell which is hotter (objects must be made of different materials e.g. rubber,	Teacher observes or records a child: • Identifying which items let the heat pass through and which do not.
7. Demonstrate how insulation works	Insulators keep heat inside.	wood, plastic, paper, metal). Whole Class / Small Group Process skills: Observing, comparing, communicating, manipulating, investigating, inferring, controlling variables Place warm water in	Teacher observes or records a child: • Predicting and giving reasons for the prediction

		different containers such as:	Recording observations.
		Regular cup	Giving reasons for what has
		Insulated cup and let the	been observed.
		children predict which cup	
		will keep the water warm.	
		Children can them see if	
		their predictions are right	
		Fill several cups with warm	
		water. Wrap different materials	
		around the cups e.g. aluminum	
		foil, a sock or hand-towel, a	
		piece of kitchen paper. Let the	
		children infer which will keep	
		the water warm for a longer	
		time. Ask the children why.	
8. Find a way to keep a bottle of	Materials that keep heat inside	Whole Class / Small Group	Teacher observes or records a
water cool	can also keep things cool.	Process skills: Observing, comparing,	child:
		communicating, manipulating,	Investigating with different
		investigating	materials.
		The children use different	Problem solving.
		materials to wrap bottles of cool	g i se
		water to see which keeps the	
		water cool for the longest time.	
9. Explain why we need heat	Uses of heat	Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a
		Process skills: Observing,	child:
		communicating	Identifying uses of heat.
		Discussion using a poster	
		Role-play	
		Demonstration of uses of heat	
		e.g. cooking, warming	

TOPIC: LIGHT

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or
	Teacher-directed Experiences
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking,	Teacher Resources:
eye-contact with the speaker, writing	• 'McGraw Hill Science' Grade K, 1 & 2
ocial Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet oices, participating, staying on task, taking turns	 'Primary Science for the Caribbean: How to Teach Primary Science' – Ralph Douglass
Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving	• 'Teaching Elementary Science' – William K. and Mary K. Esler
Process Skills: communicating, observing, comparing, inferring, manipulating, classifying, investigating, predicting	• 'Finding Out – Primary Science for the Caribbean' Bk. 2 – June Mitchelmore
	• 'Science – Silver Burnett & Ginn
	• 'Let's Explore Science - Color & Light' – David Evans and Claudette Williams
	• 'Newbridge Early Science Big Book – Light'- Melvin Berger
	• 'Science for young children – Shadows'- Judith M. Taylor, 'My Shadow' – Sheila Gore Simple
	Science series and other books related to theme
	Immediate Environment
	Picture cards of or objects that provide light
	Shoeboxes and small colored blocks or other colored items
	Seeds or potted plants
	Hoops or sorting trays or Venn diagrams
	4 flashlights with varying degrees of brightness or a lamp, a candle,
	a kerosene lamp, a flashlight with a florescent bulb, pictures of the
	sun and moon
	Shiny metal objects, aluminum foil, mirrors
	Flashlights, dominoes, white sheets of paper, large cardboard box
	Prisms, oil, bubble mix, hose, colored sheets of cellophane

Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
Uses and sources of light	Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a
• For sight	Process skills: Observing,	child:
 For sight For plant growth For seeing color 	Process skills: Observing, communicating, manipulating, comparing Ask the children to close their eyes and tell what they can see. Let them discuss how they found objects during an evening power outage. Discussion during Shared Reading activities Building a collection of items or pictures of items used to provide light Small Group / Centers Process skills: Observing, comparing, communicating, manipulating, classifying, inferring Let the children use shoeboxes and fill them with colored blocks or other items. They can cover the box and make a pin- hole at one end to let the light in. They will infer that they need light to be able to see the blocks and colors clearly. They can also note changes when bigger holes are made. Germination experiments can	 child: Telling or drawing uses of light. Sorting for given criteria. Experimenting.
	Uses and sources of lightFor sightFor plant growth	Uses and sources of light For sight For plant growth For seeing color Whole Class Process skills: Observing, communicating, manipulating, comparing Ask the children to close their eyes and tell what they can see. Let them discuss how they found objects during an evening power outage. Discussion during Shared Reading activities Building a collection of items or pictures of items used to provide light Small Group / Centers Process skills: Observing, comparing, communicating, manipulating, classifying, inferring Let the children use shoeboxes and fill them with colored blocks or other items. They can cover the box and make a pin- hole at one end to let the light in. They will infer that they need light to be able to see the blocks and colors clearly. They can also note changes when bigger holes are made.

 2. Investigate the properties of light Develop an awareness that light varies in brightness 	Brightness of light Vocabulary: bright, brighter, brightest, dull, dim, brightness	need sunlight for growth. The relationship between sunlight and vitamin D can also be discussed with older children. Sorting pictures or objects e.g. flashlight, candle, light bulb, iron, kettle into subsets such as those that provide light and those that do not or natural and man-made sources of light e.g. moon, torch, dragonfly, fire, lamps Whole Class (can be repeated in small groups) Process skills: Observing, comparing, investigating Display 4 flashlights with varying degrees of brightness or 4 lamps with bulbs of different wattage (25, 40, 75, 100) or a candle, a lamp, a bright flashlight and a florescent lamp and ask the children to compare the intensity of the light. They can order them with number cards or words depending on their level. Discuss experiences of bright	Teacher observes or records a child: Ordering objects in terms of the brightness of the light they provide.
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		stormy days.	
		Discuss which is brighter the sun	
		or the moon/stars.	
Develop an awareness that	Light shines through transparent	Small Group / Centers	Investigating and
light shines through some	objects.	Process skills: Observing, comparing,	communicating results of
objects and is reflected by	Some materials reflect light	communicating, manipulating,	observations.
others	better than others.	classifying, investigating	
	Vocabulary: transparent, clear, dull,	Let the children collect different	
	shiny	items made of wood, fabric,	
		metal, plastic, china, glass,	
		paper and cardboard. The	
		children then shine a flashlight	
		on them and record what they	
		observe. The teacher uses	
		guiding questions such as: What	
		sort of objects does the light	
		pass trough? Can you see light	
		through your hand? What do	
		you see when you shine the light	
		on?	
	Vocabulary: reflect, reflection,	Let the children collect shiny	
	smooth, shiny, reflectors, periscope	metal objects including	
		aluminum foil. Ask them what	
		they see when they look at	
		them. They can also use one or	
		more mirrors. They can also try	
		to draw a picture or write whilst	
		looking in a mirror.	
		A sheet of card can be covered	
		with foil and bent. Children can	
		tell what happens to the	

4. Develop an awareness of how shadows are formed	Formation of shadows Light is necessary for the formation of shadows. Shadows are produced when light cannot pass through a solid object or shape. Vocabulary: shadow, dark, light	reflected image. The foil can also be crumpled and the image seen compared with when the foil is smooth. The children can also see if they can reflect the light on to the ceiling or wall. Older children can make a periscope using a ruler and two mirrors attached to the ruler with plasticine. The mirrors can be placed at different angles and the results of observations noted. Whole Class Process skills: Observing, comparing, communicating, manipulating, measuring If possible let the children search for shadows on a sunny and a cloudy day. On a sunny day let them play 'Shadow Tag' (children try to tag each others shadow by jumping on it) Let the children compare shadows e.g. whose is longer, wider etc. They can measure them with non-standard units. Indoors the children can use a	Teacher observes or records child: Describing experiences with shadows. Observing that there are no shadows when the sun is not out. Communicating what has been done or observed during exploration.
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5. Investigate how shadows travel 6. Investigate ways in which we	Shadow position/movement Vocabulary: longer, shorter, behind, in front, left, right Using shadows	paper. (The room must be darkened.) Small Group / Centers In the Science Center the children can observe what happens to the shadow when the flashlight is held in different positions. If the room cannot be darkened the activities can be done in a cardboard box. Whole Class Process skills: Observing, comparing, communicating, measuring On a sunny day let the children explore how the shadow copies them. Take the children outside at different times of the day and let them stand in the same place and observe the position and length of their shadow. If there is a pole in the school environment the children can measure its shadow at different times of the day. Parents can be asked to do these activities at the weekend. Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a child: • Measuring shadows. • Noting that the shadow changes position according to where the light source is. Teacher observes or records a
make use of shadows	Shadows show the shape of	Process skills: Observing, comparing,	child:
	objects without detail.	communicating	Making shadow pictures or
	Vocabulary: shade, patterns, blinds,	Let the children stand in the	patterns.

	parasol	shadow of a building or tree on a	2 11 4:6: 1 1
	parasor	8	 Identifying shady areas.
		sunny day. Ask them how they	
		feel (cool).	
		Let them observe and discuss	
		other areas of shade e.g. under a	
		sunshade or shop blind or	
		umbrella.	
		Small group / Centers	
		Process skills: Observing, comparing,	
		communicating, manipulating	
		Let the children make animal	
		shadow shapes on the wall	
		outside or use a white sheet as a	
		screen and a flashlight to	
		represent the sun.	
7. Investigate how light	Light rays bend as they pass	Small Groups / Centers	Teacher observes or records a
produces color	through water.	Process skills: Observing, comparing,	child:
	White light can be separated	communicating, manipulating,	 Communicating the results
	into the rainbow colors when it	investigating, predicting	of observations of refraction
	is refracted through a prism,	Put a straw into a glass of water	of light. (The term refraction
	soap bubble or drop of oil on the	and let the children look at the	will not be used by the
	surface of water.	straw from the side and tell	children.)
	Vocabulary: bend, light ray, colors,	what they see.	, ,
	rainbow, through, prism	Let the children look through	
	0 1	prisms and record what they	
		see.	
		Children can look for rainbows	
		or create them using a hose.	
		A bowl of water can be put in	
		the sun. Drops of oil are	
		dropped onto the surface of the	

water. The children look at the
water and say what they see.
The children can work with a
partner and create a rainbow.
Place some water in a
transparent tray. One child
holds a mirror in the tray of
water. The other child shines a
flashlight on the mirror and tries
to 'catch' the rainbow on a
white sheet of paper held in
front of him or her opposite to
the mirror.
Two children can cover the end
of their flashlights with different
colors of cellophane and then
shine them on to the same spot
of a piece of white paper. They
will observe that a different
color is seen.

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TOPIC – SOUND

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or	
	Teacher-directed Experiences	
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking,	Teacher Resources:	
eye-contact with the speaker, writing	• 'McGraw Hill Science' Grade K, 1 & 2	
Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns	• 'Primary Science for the Caribbean: How to Teach Primary Science' — Ralph Douglass	
Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving	• 'Teaching Elementary Science' – William K. and Mary K. Esler	
Process Skills: communicating, observing, comparing, inferring,	Books related to topic	
manipulating, classifying, investigating, predicting	• 'Hearing' –Angela Littler	
	• 'Sound Experiments' – Ray Broekel	
	'First Science' Making Sounds' Julian Rowe and Molly	
	Perham	
	• 'Everyday Science – Sound' – Peter Riley	
	McGraw Hill Science Grade K Teacher's Edition	
	• SRA learning Center Science – 'Air and Sound'	
	Immediate school environment, pre-recorded sounds on audio-	
	tape, cassette player, objects and instruments to create sounds,	
	blindfolds	
	Posters of scenes where sounds are being made e.g. a busy street, at	
	work, a farm yard, a circus, zoo or Coney island scene, in the	
	home/yard, pictures of farm animals, noisy objects such as an alarm	
	clock, a watch, clothes, earmuffs, construction paper, tape, glue, card (to make megaphones), a megaphone	
	Junk material, rubber bands, combs, empty containers, bottles,	
	pencils, foil, cling film to make instruments and paint to decorate	
	them	
	Paper cups and string to make toy telephones	

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Target Behavior	Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
Target Behavior 1. Identify sounds in the environment	Content Identifying sound source Auditory discrimination Objects, animals and humans make distinctive sounds. Vocabulary: sound, direction	Whole class Process skills: Observing, comparing, communicating Children are asked to close their eyes and listen for one or two minutes and tell or draw what they heard. The teacher makes different sounds in different places in the classroom using a variety of objects. The children with eyes closed are asked to identify the sound and say where the sound is located. This activity can be done outside. A child can be	 Assessment Opportunities Teacher observes or records a child: Discriminating between sounds. Identifying sounds heard. Drawing the correct object for sounds heard. Identifying the direction of a sound. Making and identifying animal sounds.

2. Create sounds using objects or their bodies	Many things can be used to create sound. Sound is created by vibrating objects.	Whole Class Process skills: Observing, comparing, communicating, manipulating During Shared Reading the teacher can tell a story stopping at certain points for the children to make representative sounds, e.g. the sound of footsteps, rain. Children can feel their throats to see what happens when they speak or hum. They can then use a balloon to demonstrate how vocal cords work. 12	 Teacher observes and records a child: Creating sounds to illustrate a story. Creating sound pictures for given words in the listening center. Recognizing that sound is made when something vibrates
		Children can create sound pictures using a variety of objects and instruments.	
3. Classify sounds heard	Sounds can be pitched at different levels Pitch has to do with how fast or slow something vibrates. The faster something vibrates the higher the pitch. Vocabulary: high / low, loud / soft, pitch, speed, vibrates, faster / slower, megaphone	Whole Class or Small Group Process skills: Observing, comparing, communicating, manipulating, investigating Children listen with eyes closed and identify loud / soft sounds heard. They can draw a picture or tell what they heard. Children look at posters and identify whether the sounds being made are loud or soft. Let the children hold plastic rulers on the end of their desks	 Teacher observes or records a child: Identifying and ordering loud / soft sounds. Telling or drawing objects, animals that make given sounds. Experimenting and making sounds louder or softer Experimenting and making high and low pitched sounds.

¹² Blow up a balloon and stretch the neck as you let out the air. The sound will change as the neck of the balloon is pulled in and out.

		and slap the other end. They listen to the pitch. They vary the pitch by moving more of the ruler on or off the desk. Small Group / Centers Children can make loud / soft sounds using a variety of objects. Children can make sounds louder by making and using a megaphone or softer by wrapping a noisy object in clothes or by using earmuffs or by covering the ears.	Making and using megaphones.
4. Design and construct musical instruments and use them to accompany singing, action rhymes and / or musical activities	Instruments created from 'junk' material can make musical sound. Vocabulary: names of instruments *In order to raise the level of thinking children can use different materials or objects and compare and contrast the sound that is produced; e.g. vary the thicknesses of the rubber bands when making the guitar or vary the length of the cardboard tube when making a trumpet.	Small Group / Centers Process skills: Observing, comparing, communicating, manipulating, measuring, investigating Making musical instruments Guitar — Use a 500g margarine tub and thick rubber bands or a book, two pencils and rubber bands. Trumpet — Use a cardboard tube from a roll of kitchen paper, smooth aluminum foil attached over one end of the tube with a rubber band. Make an air hole in the foil with a sharp pencil. Use a comb to make a harmonica. Organ - Use bottles filled with	 Teacher observes or records a child: Making musical instruments. Identifying the pitch of the sound created. Recognizing that sounds produced by the instruments are dependent upon the materials used to make them.

moves	Sound moves in waves away from what is being vibrated. Sound waves travel through different materials. A sound is made by tiny, fast air movements, which make your eardrums vibrate. Vocabulary: vibrate, sound waves	different amounts of water. The child can blow across the bottles to make different notes. These can be ordered according to the pitch of the notes made. Drums can be made out of different containers covered at one end with plastic wrap or other suitable material. Whole Group Process skills: Observing,, communicating Teacher - directed The teacher demonstrates how sound waves move by dropping a pebble into a bowl of water and having the children observe the rippling effect. Small Group Experiments Process skills: Observing, comparing, communicating, manipulating, investigating, predicting Take a ticking clock outside and tie it to a clothes line with a piece of string. Place your body in different places and listen for	Teacher questions children to evaluate understanding. Teacher observes or records a child: Demonstrating social skills when working with others. Following instruction. Predicting and inferring (Teacher uses open-ended questioning)
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better along wood than in the air)
Children can tap objects on
different surfaces and create
sounds e.g. fabric, wood or in
water.
Take a very long piece of garden
hose and use it as a telephone.
Make tin can or paper cup
telephones and experiment with
them. They can try speaking
with the string tight or loose and
see if their partner can hear
them. (A tight string can vibrate so
the sounds will be heard.)

TOPIC: ELECTRICITY

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or
	Teacher-directed Experiences
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking,	Teacher Resources:
eye-contact with the speaker, writing Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet	 'McGraw Hill Science' 1 & 2 'Teaching Elementary Science' – William K. and Mary K.
voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving	Esler • 'The Big Book of Safety for Young Children' – Cindy
Process Skills: communicating, observing, comparing, inferring, manipulating, classifying, investigating, predicting	Barden • Websites: www.brainpop.com/science/electricity
	• www.edisonkids.com Books related to topic

 'Everyday Science: Electricity' – Peter Riley
 'Let's Explore Electricity and Magnetism' – Karin
Underwood and Heather Monaghan
• 'Do-it-Yourself Science: All About Electricity' – Melvin
Berger
• 'Simply Science: Electricity' — Darlene R. Stille
'Science Factory: Electricity and Batteries – Michael Flaferty
Immediate school environment
A collection of electrical items e.g. toys, small appliances,
flashlights
Safety goggles, batteries, battery holder, wire, flashlight bulbs and
holders, brass fasteners, large paper clips, buzzers, crocodile clips
and leads

Target Behavior	Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
1. Identify sources and uses of	Electrical energy can be used to	Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a
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		Making a display of items using electricity	

		Children can do home projects	
		e.g. List electrical items used in	
		each room of the home and	
		outside.	
		Comparing batteries	
		Invite an older person to tell	
		how they survived without	
		electricity.	
		Write about experiences of	
		power outages.	
		Small Group / Centers	
		Children can cut pictures of	
		electric items and sort them into	
		those which make sounds or	
		light, those used for heat or to	
		make things cold or those that	
		move. Some items will fit in	
		two subsets. Charts can be	
		created to show results.	
2. Identify and demonstrate	Electricity needs to be handled	Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a
ways to use electricity safely	with care.	Process Skills: Communicating,	child:
	A strong electric current passing	observing, inferring	 Naming or telling ways of
	into your body can cause shock,	Teacher demonstrates how to	using electricity safely.
	bad burns or heart attack.	use electricity safely.	using electricity safety.
	Electric current produces heat	Discuss pictures that show safe	
	that can cause fire.	and unsafe practices.	
	Do not run electrical cables	Invite someone from GEBE to	
	under carpets or rugs.	talk about safety.	
	Some batteries are dangerous	Small Group / Centers	
	e.g. car batteries.	Design safety posters.	
	Safety Rules:	Write and perform skits about	

	Never stick metal objects into	electrical safety.	
	electrical appliances that are	Be a safety detective for a day	
	turned on.	and note unsafe situations.	
	Never use electrical appliances	and note unsare situations.	
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	near water.		
	Do not plug in a cord with wet		
	hands or while standing in		
	water.		
	Checked for frayed wires or		
	overloaded sockets		
	Do not use appliances with loose		
	cables or exposed wires.		
	Do not fly kites near overhead		
	cables.		
	Be careful not to touch		
	appliances that have been turned		
	off and may still be hot.		
3. Investigate how electric	Electricity flows through a	Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a
circuits work	circuit. When the circuit is	Discuss safety procedures for	child:
	broken the flow of electricity	making circuits.	Describing what happens
	stops.	Discussion about circuits known	when they switch on a
	Electrical conductors e.g. metals	to the children e.g. a toy race	circuit.
	are materials that allow	car or train on a track.	Making circuits
	electricity to flow through	Human Circuit	independently and
	them.	The children stand in a circle.	comparing them.
	Electrical insulators e.g. rubber	One child is the battery and	
	do not allow electricity to pass	another child the bulb. The	Explaining how circuits
	through them.	battery starts by clapping hands	work and what happens
	Switches control the flow of	against the child next to	when there is a break in the
	electricity.	him/her. Each child repeats the	circuit.
	(Good preparation will ensure a	action with the child to the right	Making simple predictions

positive experience for the children.

- Check the bulbs before giving them to the children.
- *Check the batteries.*
- Check the leads, if you are using crocodile clips make sure that there are no breaks between the wire and the clip.
- Make sure that the voltage of the battery matches that of the bulb.)

Vocabulary: circuit¹³, electric current, bulb, battery, volts, terminal, + (positive), - (negative), blow, bulb holder, lead, crocodile clip, screw, unscrew, wire, circuit break, switch

until 'the bulb' is reached. The 'bulb waves his/her hands up to show the bulb is on. To show what happens when a circuit is broken two children drop out of the circle so that clapping has to stop. Balls can be passed around for variation. The more balls used the greater the flow of electric current.

Safety Procedures for students:

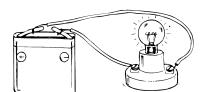
- Treat fragile bulbs gently.
- Open and close crocodile clips carefully.
- If something is damaged or not working properly let an adult know.
- Dispose of broken pieces immediately.
- Keep your working area clean and tidy.

Small Group / Centers

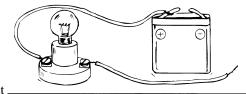
Process Skills: Observing, comparing, communicating,

and confirming or rejecting them by investigation.

• Using materials safely.



¹³ A complete or closed circuit



A broken circuit

manipulating, investigating, predicting, inferring (Whether these activities are whole class or center will depend on the level and ability of the children) Set up the equipment for a circuit and ask the children to join the battery and bulb with two leads. Let them investigate what happens if the bulb is unscrewed or you undo the crocodile clip. Let the children assemble the circuits themselves and ask if they can use one lead to light the bulb or what happens inside the bulb. Let the children find as many ways as possible to break the circuit or set up a circuit with a break and ask them to make it complete. Some children may want to investigate electrical conductors by using different materials to bridge the gap in a circuit. The children can predict which materials will allow the electricity to pass through and then see if the results match their predictions. Spoons made

		of wood, metal and plastic,	
		rulers, pipe cleaners, rubber	
		bands, plastic tubing, aluminum	
		foil, coins can be used.	
4. Use their knowledge of	Bulbs in circuits can be replaced	Small Group / Centers	Teacher observes or records a
circuits to construct models	by buzzers. When using buzzers	Children can replace light bulbs	child:
using lights or buzzers	the way that the wires are	in their circuits with buzzers.	• Using circuits in models.
	connected is important.	(The positive terminal on the battery	0
		(+) must be connected to the positive	
		or red wire of the buzzer).	
		They can use their circuit to	
		provide light or doorbells for a	
		model house.	

TOPIC: FORCE AND MOTION

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or	
	Teacher-directed Experiences	
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking,	Books related to topic:	
eye-contact with the speaker, writing	'Make It Go - David Evans and Claudette Williams	
Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet	McGraw Hill Science 'Make Things Move' Activity Notebook	
voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns	'Everyday Science: pulling and Pushing' – Peter Riley	
Manipulative Skills: cutting, painting, drawing Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying,	• 'My Science Book of Movement' – Neil Ardley	
generating ideas, expressing ideas, problem solving Process Skills: communicating, observing, using space relations, comparing, inferring, manipulating, classifying, investigating,	Picture Cards of various objects, hoops or yarn to make two hoops,	
	labels – moves, does not move	
	Large poster e.g. of Coney Island, a playground or a street scene	
controlling variables	Full-length mirror, plasticine	
cond onling variables	Small objects e.g. a small wagon, a toy car, a pull-along toy, a	
	heavy school bag, (items that must be pushed or pulled	
	Hoops, labels – roll / slide, objects that can be rolled e.g. ball,	

marble, a toy car, a toilet roll tube or cylindrical block and objects
that slide e.g. a pencil, a book, a ruler, a clothes pin.
Toy cars, toy trucks, sand, masking tape, large blocks to make
inclines, 3 smooth boards to make ramps, pieces of carpet and
matting. Marbles, a track (can be made from plastic tubing)
Items with wheels, pulleys, cotton reels, ropes, buckets.

Target Behavior	Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
1.Develop an awareness of force	A force is any push or pull on an	Whole Class	Teacher observes and records a
	object that causes it to start	Process Skills: Observing, using	child:
	moving, stop moving or change	space relations, communicating,	 Defining force.
	direction or speed.	manipulating, classifying	 Demonstrating the effects of
	Vocabulary: force, push, pull,	The teacher gives each child a	force.
	stretch, twist, bend, squash, squeeze,	piece of plasticine (clay, 'Play	101001
	press, scratch, lift, kick, throw	Dough') and asks them to	
		demonstrate each type of force	
		using the plasticine. Teacher	
		names an action e.g. push, pull	
		and the children do the action.	
		The activity is repeated with	
		other action words, however	
		this time the teacher asks the	
		children to decide if the action is	
		a push or a pull e.g. stretching is	
		a pull, pressing is a push.	
		A discussion can follow on how	
		force is used in a school day	
		Curriculum Link	
		In Physical Education the children	
		can demonstrate push or pull by	
		kicking, bouncing or throwing a	

2. Evnlore how things move	Identifying things that move	Small Group / Center Paper / pencil races: The children use air force and move the pencil by blowing through a drinking straw. Water wheels can be made to demonstrate water force. The teacher gives each child a circle of thin card. The children make cuts in the circle to form flaps. And fold them back. A pencil is pushed through the center of the circle. The children then work in pairs. One pours water over his/her partner's water wheel. The force of the water makes the water wheel spin. The children can experiment with empty washing-up liquid bottles filled with water and see how far they can make a rubber duck move across a water tray. Whole Class	Teacher observes and records a
2. Explore how things move.	Identifying things that move Vocabulary: up / down, back / forth, roll, slide, bounce, throw, lift fast / slow bend, twist, turn, nod shake, side to side	Whole Class Process Skills: Observing, communicating Use a poster and let the children tell how the things move e.g. slide, roll, swing, spin, lift. Small Group / Centers Process Skills: Observing,	 Finding different ways of moving a ball. Child: Sorting correctly into given criteria.

		communicating, classifying, comparing, using space relations, manipulating Give pairs of children picture cards to sort into things that move and things that do not move. Give the children different items e.g. a car, a ball, a yo-yo, a rocket, a swing, a top, a block and let them say how they move, Whole Class Outside let the children work in pairs to move a ball to each other in different ways. Curriculum Link — Physical Education Ask the children to move their body parts and say how they move and which can move in different directions	Using appropriate vocabulary.
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		Children can also use a full- length mirror to monitor their	
		movements.	
3. Recognize that a push or a	Objects can not move by	Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a
pull is needed to move certain	themselves. A push or a pull is	Process Skills: Observing,	child:
objects	needed to start the motion.	comparing, communicating,	 Inferring that moving heavier
	Vocabulary: push, pull, drag, force,	manipulating, inferring, using space	objects requires more force.
	heavy / heavier / heaviest, light /	relations	 Identifying and sorting
	lighter / lightest	Ask two children to move a box	, 0

of items without lifting it up.
One pushes the box to move it,
the other pulls the box toward
him/her to move it. Let the
children discuss the actions.
They can also compare the
strength of force needed to
move a full, empty or half-full
box of books.

Questions:

Which is easier to move? Why? Which required more force to move it?

Small Group / Centers

Give groups of children several objects e.g. a small wagon, a toy car, a pull-along toy and let them sort them, using Venn diagrams, into those that must be pushed or pulled or both. The children work in groups and give each group objects that can be rolled e.g. ball, marble, a toy car, a toilet roll tube or cylindrical block and objects that slide e.g. a pencil, a book, a ruler, a clothes pin. Let the children move each object and sort them into subsets (In order for the children to infer ask them why the objects move

- objects that are pushed or pulled.
- Drawing objects that are pushed or pulled.

4. Explore how weight, surface or incline (slope) affects motion	Objects that are round roll. Flat objects slide. The incline of a ramp or slope affects the speed of movement. The type of surface also affects the speed. Vocabulary: fast / faster / fastest, weight, slope, incline	differently) Small Groups / Centers Process Skills: Using space relations, observing, communicating, comparing, manipulating, controlling variables, investigating 14 The children can explore how weight, 15 surface or 16 incline affects motion	Teacher observes or records a child: • Investigating the effects of weight, surface and incline on motion.
5. Demonstrate how wheels make things easier to move	Wheels make motion easier. Vocabulary: pulley	Make a display of all objects that have wheels. (Items can be brought from home) Whole Class demonstration repeated in Small Center Groups Place some rocks in a Ziploc bag. Let a child push the bag by hand. Then let the child put the bag on a toy flatbed truck. Ask the child which was the easier way to move the bag of rocks and what makes it easier. Let the children move toy cars with the wheels removed and tell why wheels are necessary.	 Teacher observes or records a child: Experimenting and solving problems Telling why wheels make it easier to move heavy objects. Adding items to the class display Explaining what has been observed.

Let the children 'race two toy trucks, one without cargo and one with cargo (sand) and mark where each truck stops

15 Set up three slopes at the same height. Cover two with different materials e.g. a carpet, a mat. Let the child roll the same toy vehicle down the slopes and observe what happens.

¹⁶ Set up two or three different slopes varying the incline. Let the children push cars down the slopes and observe what happens.

		Let one child sit in a box and ask his or her classmates to use broom handles to move him/	
		her. (This can be done with a	
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		heavy book and cylindrical,	
		wooden building blocks)	
		Let the children experiment	
		with pulleys in lifting buckets of	
		sand. (Simple pulleys can be made	
		with cotton reels and rope)	
6. Design and construct a model	Wheels make motion easier.	Small Group / Centers	Teacher observes or records a
that uses wheels to make it go	Vocabulary: wheel, axle, pulley, cog	Process Skills: Using space relations,	child:
	wheel	observing, communicating,	Making models with wheels
		comparing, manipulating	that can move.
		Children use materials available	
		to make cars, carts or pulleys.	

TOPIC: MAGNETS

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or	
	Teacher-directed Experiences	
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking,	Teacher Resources:	
eye-contact with the speaker, writing	• 'McGraw Hill Science' 1 & 2	
Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns Manipulative Skills: cutting, painting, drawing	 'Teacher Edition K: Science Horizons' – Silver Burdett & Ginn 'Science' – Silver Burdett & Ginn 	
Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving Process Skills: communicating, observing, using space relations,	'Teaching Elementary Science' – William K. and Mary K. Esler	
comparing, inferring, manipulating, classifying, investigating,	 'DiscoveryWords Teaching Guide 1: Magnets' Houghton Mifflin Science 	

predicting			
Children should be told not to put magnets near electrical	Websites: <u>www.brainpop.com/science/forces/magnetism</u>		
	• <u>www.eduplace.com</u>		
equipment or near computers.	Books related to topic:		
	• 'Simply Science Magnets' – Darlene R. Stille		
	• 'Science Factory: Magnetism and Magnets' – Micheal Flaherty		
	• 'What Makes a Magnet' – Franklyn M. Branley		
	• 'Everyday Science: Magnets' – Peter Riley		
	 'Simple Science: My Magnet' – Robert Pressling 'Amazing Magnets' – Julian Rowe and Molly Perham 'Magnets' – Ed Catherall 'Science Book of Magnets – Neil Ardley 'Science with Magnets' – Helen Edom 		
	Assorted magnets, a bag of small objects, tape, paper clips (plain		
	and colored), paper, card, small toys, colors, crayons, markers,		
	transparent container, water, glass jars or containers, yarn or		
	string, iron filings, 'Ziploc' bags, magnetic games		

Target Behavior	Content	ent Suggested Experiences Assessment Opportun	
1. Investigate magnets:	A magnet is anything that will	Small Groups / Centers	Teacher observes or records a
• What they are	attract or pull iron, steel and	Process Skills: Observing,	child:
What they do	certain other metals to it.	comparing, communicating,	• Experimenting with magnets.
I vilac they do	Vocabulary: magnet, bar, horseshoe,	manipulating, classifying,	Predicting and classifying.
	attract, iron, steel, metal	predicting	8 , 8
		Provide the children with	
		magnets (bar or horseshoe) and	
		several small objects in a bag.	
		The children can view the	
		objects and predict whether or	

		not the magnet will attract them Predictions are recoded on a chart. Predictions Attracts Does not		
		The children the predictions and results.		
2. Tell how magnets are used in daily life	 Magnets are used for: Toys and games Can openers Doors Refrigerator magnets Magnetic numbers and letters 	Whole Class Process Skills: Observing, communicating, manipulating Discuss a poster or collect magnetic items used at home or at school.		Teacher observes or records a child: • Participating in the discussion and giving suggestions as to how magnets are used.
3. Investigate magnetic force	Magnetic force is the push or pull created by a magnet. Magnetic force can pass through air and some other materials without touching them. The strength of the magnet being used or the thickness of the material will affect the magnetic force on the object. Vocabulary: magnetic force, magnet, pull, pulling, push, pushing, thick, thickness, strong, strength	Small Group / Centers Process Skills: Observing, using space relations, comparing, communicating, manipulating, investigating, inferring Put a metal spoon near a magnet and then pull it away. The children should feel the push as the magnet pulls the spoon and the pull when they are separated. Place a paper clip on a plastic boat and place the boat in a clear container of water. Use a		Teacher observes or records a child: • Inferring that magnetic force can move an object without touching it. • Investigating the strength of the magnetic force.

		magnet undermeeth the	
		magnet underneath the	
		container and try to move the	
		boat.	
		See how many sheets of card or	
		paper can be held by a	
		refrigerator magnet.	
		Find out if a magnet can attract	
		through wood.	
		Place paper clips in a glass and	
		try to lift them by placing the	
		magnet on the side of the glass.	
		Place paper clips on toy cars and	
		race them without letting the	
		magnet touch the cars.	
		Mazes can be drawn on cards.	
		Children can draw an animal on	
		a piece of card and cut it out and	
		attach a paper clip to it. The	
		child has to guide the 'animal'	
		through the maze using a	
		magnet.	
		Children can try to lift paper	
		clips off the table using a	
		magnet. By placing objects	
		between the raised paper clips	
		and the magnet they can	
		investigate which objects make	
		the clip fall. The children record	
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4 C 4 1 C	C 4 4 1	their findings.	T 1 1 1
4a. Compare the strength of	Some magnets are stronger than	Small Group / Center	Teacher observes or records a
different magnets	others.	Process Skills: Observing,	child:

	Magnets differ in shape, size, strength and thickness. Vocabulary: Bar, magnet, horseshoe magnet, ring / disc magnet, strip magnet, flat, paper clips	comparing, communicating, manipulating, investigating Different kinds of magnets are tied to a piece of dowelling at regular intervals and the same height. The piece of dowelling is held over a bed of paper clips. The children can guess which magnet will attract the most paper clips, and then check the results.	 Investigating the strength of magnets. Recording data.
4b. Compare the strength of different parts of a magnet Use bar magnets that are painted in red and blue.	Magnets have poles. Two poles that are alike push apart. Two poles that unlike pull and stick together. Vocabulary: push apart (repel), pull, attract, ring magnet	Use a bar magnet to pick up paper clips and observe where the paper clips stick. (<i>The magnetic force is strongest at the poles.</i>) Try with a ring magnet. Place the ends of two bar magnets together and observe and record what happens. Turn one of the magnets around and repeat the investigation. Try to line up four or five bar magnets so that they stick together. Place five ring magnets on a pencil held vertically. Change some around and record what happens.	 Telling that magnets have poles. Telling that unlike poles attract and like poles repel. Applying knowledge gained by positioning magnets so that they attract each other.

5. Observe magnetic patterns	Different kinds of magnets make	Small Group / Centers	Teacher observes or records a
	different patterns.	Process Skills: Observing,	child:
	Vocabulary: patterns	comparing, communicating	Comparing patterns made by
		Place some iron filings in a	magnets.
		'Ziploc' bag and lay the bag on a	8
		table. Spread the filings out.	
		Place two bar magnets on the	
		bag with unlike poles next to	
		each other but not touching.	
		Observe and draw what you	
		observe.	
		Repeat the experiment with	
		other types of magnets.	
		Compare the results.	
		Draw a face on a thin sheet of	
		card. Draw large eyes, nose and	
		mouth but not eyebrows or hair.	
		The teacher pours some iron	
		filings on to the picture.	
		The child holds a magnet under	
		the card and tries to complete	
		the picture by moving the filings	
		around and positioning them to	
		make hair, eyebrows and a	
		moustache or beard.	

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

TECHNOLOGY SCIENCE

Standards / Goals

The student understands the nature of technology. #10 Technology Sciences: #11 Technology Sciences: The student understands the design of technology. The student understands the scientific ¹⁷enterprise. #12 Technology Sciences:

#13 Basic Science and Technology Skill: The student can define the nature of scientific and technological inquiry.

#14 Basic Science and Technology Skill: The student can explain the nature of scientific knowledge.

The student understands the ¹⁸abilities for a scientific and technological world. #15 Basic Science and Technology Skill:

TOPIC: SIMPLE MACHINES

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or Teacher-directed Experiences
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking, eye-contact with the speaker, writing Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving Process Skills: communicating, observing, comparing, inferring, manipulating, classifying, investigating, predicting	Related Books: • True Book 'Experiments With Simple Machines' – Salvatore Tocci • 'Machines We Use' – Sally Hewitt • 'Work and Simple Machines' – Jon Richards • 'Science Experiments With Simple Machines' – Ashton Nankivell www.ed.url.edu/smart96/elemsc./smartmachines/machine.htlm Simple machines: e.g. scissors, stapler, sharpener, nutcracker, tongs, bottle opener, pliers, hammer, saw, screw, screwdriver, nuts and bolts, nail, ramps, rake, broom, pulley, wheels and axles Pictures of tools Toy tools

¹⁷ Undertaking

¹⁸ Identifying a problem; proposing a solution; implementing proposed solutions; evaluating a product or design; communicating a problem, design and solution

Tongue depressors, rulers, teddy bear counters, pencils Construction material
Paper, card, glue, tape, scissors, string, straws, rulers, toothpicks, plastic bottle caps, cotton reels

Target Behavior	Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
1. Observe, identify and use	A simple machine (tool) is used	Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a
simple machines	to make work easier.	Process Skills: Observing,	child:
	Work is the process of making	comparing, communicating	 Naming simple machines.
	an object move.	Teacher displays five or more	• Explaining ideas clearly.
	Vocabulary: Names of simple	simple machines, e.g. a pair of	 Selecting appropriate tools
	machines found in the immediate	scissors, a bottle opener, a	and using them correctly.
	environment	broom, a stapler, a knife and a	and using them correctly.
		pencil sharpener.	
		She then asks the children to	
		name more objects that make	
		work easier. Pairs of children	
		can then select one simple	
		machine, describe it, tell what it	
		does and explain how it makes	
		work easier.	
		Small Group	
		Process Skills: Observing,	
		comparing, communicating,	
		manipulating, comparing,	
		investigating	
		Give each group a job to do e.g.	
		cutting a piece of card, opening	
		a bottle of juice, keeping papers	
		together, breaking open a nut	
		and ask them to do it without	

2. Demonstrate an awareness of	Safe use of selected simple	using any tools. Then let them select an appropriate tool to do the job and compare the results. Home/School Link Children can draw or collect pictures of simple machines used in the home. Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a
safety procedures to be followed when using simple machines	machines. Vocabulary: safety, warning, instructions, warning label	 Process Skills: Observing, communicating, manipulating Discussion and teacher demonstration Tools/simple machines in the classroom Safe handling of specific tools e.g. scissors, stapler, knives Following safety warning labels on simple machines 	child: • Handling and using tools correctly.
3. Explore how simple machines work	Simple machines work in different ways. There are different types of simple machines. Vocabulary: lever, ramp (inclined plane), pulley, wheel and axle	Whole Class Process Skills: Observing, communicating, comparing, manipulating, investigating Levers Teacher shows the children how to open a can by using a screwdriver to lift off the cover. He/ She explains that a lever helps to lift things. If there is a see-saw in the playground let the children observe how it	 Teacher observes or records a child: Identifying the different types of simple machines. Constructing a simple machine. Telling how simple machines make work easier. Giving examples of the use of simple machines in the home, school and community.

works. There is a load, a force and an area of support. When using a screwdriver you use force to push it down and it is supported by the rim of the can. When you push down the load (cover) goes up. **Small Group** Let pairs of children make their own see-saws using rulers and blocks or tongue depressors and pencils. They can experiment by moving the pencil (support) and applying different amounts of force to see how it affects the load (teddy bear counters) that is to be lifted. The children can identify tools that are levers e.g. bottle openers, scissors. Ramp **Whole Class** Let the children go outside and look at ramps. (They are usually placed by steps) Ask the children why ramps are built. Let them discuss how ramps make moving heavy items easier. **Small Group** Let the children build ramps

using construction material for model homes. They can also go on a 'ramp hunt' and tell where they have seen ramps in the community. **Pulley Whole Class** The teacher demonstrates the use of the pulley and asks the children how it makes work easier. If the school has a flag post, he/she can show how a pulley is used to raise the flag. Let the children tell other ways a pulley is used e.g. men lifting buckets of sand/water on construction sites, raising buckets at a well, a fisherman reeling in his catch. **Small Group** The children can design and make their own pulleys. Wheel and axle **Whole Class** The teacher uses toy vehicles to demonstrate the use of the wheel and axle. The children can discuss how wheels make work easier.

The children can design and

Small group

	construct a simple machine that	
	has a wheel and axle, e.g. a cart.	

TOPIC: ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or
	Teacher-directed Experiences
Communication Skills: attentive listening, clear and fluent speaking, eye-contact with the speaker, writing Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using quiet voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns Critical Thinking Skills: analyzing, synthesizing, evaluating, applying, problem solving Process Skills: communicating, observing, comparing, inferring, manipulating, classifying, investigating, predicting	Outside Environment Related Books: • 'How Green Are You?' – David Bellamy • 'One Child' – Christopher Cheng and Steven Woolman • 'In My Neighborhood – Garbage Collectors" – Paulette Bourgeois and Kim LaFave • 'Saving Our Planet Series – Ava Deutsch Drutman • 'Land' – Primary • 'Air' – Primary • 'Water' – Primary Rubber gloves, waste bin with garbage, petroleum jelly and index cards Newspapers, wire mesh and water 'Junk' materials such as bottle caps, paper cups Art supplies

Target Behavior	Content	Suggested Experiences	Assessment Opportunities
1. Develop an awareness of how	The environment is the world	Whole Class	Teacher observes or records a
human activities affect the	around us.	Process Skills: Observation,	child:
environment	Human beings affect their environment. Any type of change people make to the environment affects animals, plants and the land. Littering is an example of poor environmental behavior. Vocabulary: waste, litter, change, environment	communicating, comparing Let the children observe the state of their classroom / playground at the beginning of the day and then in the afternoon before leaving for the day. Children note changes. Discuss the changes and how they can be prevented. Teacher uses this example to illustrate how human action affects the Earth. Further explain to the children that the Earth has limited resources and cannot cope with all the waste that we produce.	 Telling, drawing or writing about changes observed in the classroom. Telling, writing or drawing ways in which they can improve the condition of their classroom.
2. Identify helpful and harmful changes to the environment	Human beings affect the environment in helpful or harmful ways. Clearing land for construction of roads and housing can affect animals and plants. Vocabulary: reuse, reduce, recycle, waste	Whole Class Process Skills: Observation, communicating, comparing, classifying The children can compare two photographs of a certain community, (each photograph must have at least a decade between them). The children can note the changes and classify them as harmful or helpful.	Teacher observes or records a child: Classifying changes to the environment as helpful or harmful. Classifying waste.

		The children can also observe	
		changes in the school	
		environment in the morning and	
		afternoon hours.	
		The teacher can empty the	
		classroom waste bin on large	
		sheets of newspaper. Using	
		rubber gloves the waste can be	
		classified, e.g. paper, metal,	
		plastic and food. Discussion can	
		be held as to which items are	
		genuine waste. Further	
		discussion can be held about	
		what can be:	
		Reused / recycled	
		Used for gardening as	
		compost	
		Real waste	
3. Identify ways of reducing	The effects of pollution often	Whole Class / Small Group	Teacher observes or records a
pollution of the environment	change the environment.	Process Skills: Observation,	child:
	There are many kinds of	communication, comparing,	 Demonstrating and telling
	pollution e.g. air, water and	investigating	ways of reducing pollution.
	land.	Air Pollution	7 81
	Air pollution is caused by	In order to observe how	
	industrial smoke e.g. GEBE;	polluted the air is the children	
	fumes from cars and burning	can cover index cards with	
	leaves and trash.	petroleum jelly and leave them	
	Water pollution happens when	in different parts of the	
	sewage, chemicals and trash are	classroom or playground. After	
	dumped into water e.g. Great	a few days they can check and	

observe the foreign matter that Salt Pond. Oil spills also affect has been collected on the cards. the water. Littering causes land pollution. The children can record the We can reduce pollution by number of times that they see reusing, reducing or recycling the air being polluted by waste products. vehicles or burning trash in one week and discuss what could be done to reduce air pollution. Water Pollution Collect samples of water from the Great Salt Pond, Belair Pond, the sea, a well and rain. Leave them for a few days until the pollutants settle and see which has less dirt. Visit Belair Pond and The Great Salt Pond at Sucker Garden and discuss the differences in terms of the effects of pollution. Discuss ways of water pollution prevention. Land Pollution Weigh the contents of the class waste bin everyday for a week to see how much waste is collected. Graph the daily results. Discuss findings. Older children can remove bottles, cans and other items that can be reused or recycled. Reweigh the waste and compare

the weights				
Research w		ed goods		
are used for.				
¹⁹ Make recycled paper from				
different ty	pes of was	te paper		
		is stronger		
or looks the best. Use the				
recycled pa	per to mal	ke cards.		
Create som				
material	0	,		
	rt to show	how waste		
can be redu				
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	of			
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Paper	Reuse	Wash		
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		reuse		
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Bottle	Reuse	As		
caps		counter		
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Water	Reduce	Turn off		
	waste	taps		
		after use		
Invite some	eone from	Public		

¹⁹ Soak old newspaper in warm water overnight to make a pulp. Spread some of the pulp evenly on a letter-size piece of wire mesh. Place a 'Handy Wipe' cloth over the mesh and squeeze out as much water as possible. Remove the mesh carefully. Place another cloth on top of the pulp and place the cloths and pulp between two boards and leave to dry. Before it is totally dry, remove the boards and cloths. Lay your paper on newspaper to finish drying.

	Works to speak to the class	
	about how waste is collected,	
	disposed of and controlled.	
	Visit the Dump.	
	Compare photographs of	
	Philipsburg in the 20 th century	
	and present and observe the	
	changes around the Dump.	
4. Create a poster to encourage	Small Group / Centers	Teacher observes or records a
recycling or design and	Create a model out of junk	child:
construct an object out of junk	materials	Creating an object or poster
materials	Design a poster encouraging	8) 1
	others in school to reduce waste	
	or recycle.	

TOPIC: COMPUTER

Skills	Suggested Resources for Choice Centers, Projects or		
	Teacher-directed Experiences		
Communication Skills: computer skills	Computers and printers		
Social Skills: staying with the group, sharing material, using	Computer software		
quiet voices, participating, staying on task, taking turns	'Basic Computer Skills' – McGraw Hill, Grade K - 2		
	True Books		
	• 'Personal Computers' — Charnan and Tom Kazunas		
	'The Internet for Kids' - Charnan and Tom Kazunas		
	• 'The World Wide Web' – Larry Dane Brimner		
	• 'E-Mail' - Larry Dane Brimner		

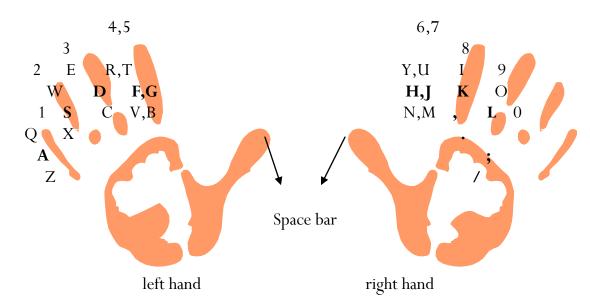
Target Behavior	Content	Assessment Opportunities
1. Demonstrates an understanding of the history of computers	History of Computers	 Teacher observes or records a child Creating a pictorial time-line to show the history of computers.
2. Knows the characteristics and uses of computer hardware and operating systems	 Naming hardware of the computer: keyboard, mouse, printer, monitor, hard and floppy disc, CD, tower, component, CPU, hardware Starting up a computer, monitor and printer Identifying the alphanumeric and special keys (arrows, tab, scroll function keys; enter/return; delete/backspace; shift and space bar) Finger placement on home row (A, S, D, FG, space bar (left hand) / space bar, HJ, K, L, ; (right hand); Finger position on alphabetic keys, number keys and symbol keys Handling diskettes, CDs and other equipment with care. Vocabulary: computer (PC), keyboard, mouse, printer, monitor, hard and floppy disc, CD, tower, component, arrows, tab, scroll function keys' enter/return keys delete/backspace keys, shift key, space bar, home row, open, close, delete, save. Files, programs, print 	 Teacher observes or records a child: Identifying different computer components. Using correct terminology and procedures for handling hardware and software. Opening and closing programs and files Saving and deleting files. Printing Identifying alphabetic keys. Identifying number keys. Identifying special keys. Demonstrating proper finger placement on home row keys.

3. Demonstrates an understanding of the characteristics and uses of computer software programs	 Typing using correct body and hand positions Classifying software programs (word processors, special purpose programs, games) Using menu options and commands of different software programs Vocabulary: keyboard, type, word processor, text, graphics, insert, select, delete, menu, edit, format, font, style, cut, copy, paste, multimedia, movie clip art, data, spreadsheet, graph 	 Teacher observes or records a child: Typing using correct body and hand positions. Identifying differences between word processors, spreadsheets, databases and games. Using a word processor: Entering text. Selecting and deleting text. Editing text using cut, copy and paste options. Using graphics and other multimedia: Using paint and draw tools. Inserting, deleting and sizing movie clip art or graphics. Using a spreadsheet: Navigating in a spreadsheet. Using spreadsheet terminology. Answering questions from spreadsheet data. Editing/entering data. Inserting and deleting a record.
4. Demonstrates the ability to use the Internet and electronic references	Parts of the Internet Internet safety Netiquette (Rules of behavior when using the Internet) Vocabulary: World Wide Web (www), network, e-mail, netiquette, Internet, search engine, browser, home page, web site	 Teacher observes or records a child: Using Internet terminology. Following rules for acceptable Internet and e-mail use. Accessing a web site. Navigating a web site.

		Using key words to search a reference CD-ROM.
5. Identifies the uses of technology at home	Uses of technology: pagers, telephones.	Teacher observes or records a child;
and school	VCRs, washing machines, cars	Identifying how computers and other
	Vocabulary: names of appliances and tools that	technological tools and appliances are
	have microprocessors, personal computers,	used at home and in school.
	desktops, laptops, notebooks	

COMPUTER KEYBOARD HAND POSITIONS

Home row (A, S, D, F/G, H/J, K, L, ;)



APPENDIX

GLOSSARY

²⁰PROCESS SKILLS

- Observing:
 - Identifying properties of an object, i.e., shape, color, size, and texture
 - Using indirect methods, i.e., hand lenses, microscopes, thermometers, to observe objects and events
 - Observing objects or events by counting, comparing, estimating, and measuring
- Using Space / Time Relation:
 - Describing an object's position i.e., above, below, beside, etc., in relation to other objects
 - Describing the motion, direction, spatial arrangement, symmetry, and shape of an object compared to another object
 - Describing events in terms of sequence or duration or period of time compared to other events
- Comparing:
 - Identifying similarities and differences among objects
- Communicating:
 - Constructing and using written reports, diagrams, graphs, or charts to transmit information learned from science experiences
 - Verbally asking questions about, discussing, explaining, or reporting observations
 - After an investigation, reporting the question tested, the experimental design used, the results, and conclusions drawn and using tables and graphs where appropriate

²⁰ Reference: Mechling, K., Bires, N., Kepler, L., Oliver, D., and Smith, B. (1985) <u>A Recommended Science Competency Continuum for Grades K-6 for Pennsylvania Schools</u>. Harrisburg, PA. Pennsylvania Department of Education

• Manipulating:

• Handling objects or materials

• Classifying:

- Identifying properties useful for classifying objects
- Grouping objects by their properties or similarities and differences
- Constructing and using classification systems
- Comparing and ordering objects by length, area, weight, volume, etc.

Measuring:

- Measuring properties of objects or events by using standardized units of measure
- Measuring volume, mass, weight, temperature, area, length, and time, using appropriate units and appropriate measuring instruments

• Investigating:

• Finding out what happens when certain things are done

• Predicting:

Proposing results or outcomes based on observation and inference

• Inferring:

- Suggesting explanations for events based on observations
- Distinguishing between an observation and an inference

• Defining Operationally:

- Stating definitions of objects or events in terms of what the object is doing or what is occurring in the event
- Stating definitions of objects or events based on observable characteristics

• Interpreting Data:

- Organising and stating in his/her own words information derived from a science investigation
- Revising interpretations of data based on new information or revised data

• *Hypothesizing:*

- Identifying questions or statements which can and cannot be tested
- Designing statements, i.e., questions, inferences, predictions, that can be tested by an experiment
- Controlling Variables:
 - Changing one factor that may affect the outcome of an event whilst keeping the others constant (the same)
- Experimenting:
 - Designing an investigation to test a hypothesis
 - Conducting simple experiments

²¹SAMPLE SCIENCE PROCESS SKILLS ACTIVITIES

Observing

- Observe the physical properties of water in different states (solid, liquid, gas)
- Various species of birds are commonly found around our island especially near bodies of water. Take a nature walk and look for them. Ask children to observe their size and color patterns they display, what they eat, what they like to stand on, and how they fly.
- When you return to the classroom show the children large colored pictures of the birds they observed. Ask them to tell you things that they saw and liked about each bird. Then, let them draw the birds they observed using colored crayons or pencils.
- Place a bird feeder and a water bath outside the classroom window. Let children spend some time each day observing and describing the birds as they feed and bathe. Involve children in replacing food and water in the stations.
- Collect or make musical instruments for the children to explore, such as bells, pipe wind chimes, xylophone, sand blocks, and a wood block tambourine. Have children tell you whether the sound is high or low, loud or soft. Then ask children to match the sound their instrument makes to a tone on a pitch pipe.
- Create a rhythm sequence on the tambourine or sand blocks and have children imitate it on their instrument.
- Have children identify mystery instruments and sounds played by children hidden from view.

Note that these are all simple sample activities that help to develop and teach the process skills. You will need to decide the appropriateness of each for whole class or small group instruction as well as pose the right questions for each skill.

Using Space / Time Relations

- Have students engage in activities whereby they must tell the position of one object in relation to others. (Over, under, between etc.)
- Sequence the events of a water experiment
 - Orally
 - Using picture cues
 - Role Play

Comparing

• Make a learning center that includes objects to weigh and balance. Use objects that are small and heavy as well as large and light. Give two objects to a child and ask the child to tell you which one is the heavier. Then have him/her compare the objects on a balance. Finish by making a mobile from objects the children have drawn or constructed.

Communicating

• Communicating involves the sharing of information through words, pictures, graphs and diagrams. Students can write letters to friends from another school telling them that they will be describing their class. They can describe the light in the room. What time of the day is the light the brightest and what the room smells like. They can also draw a map of the room to include with the letter.

Manipulating

• Allow children to engage in the use and manipulation of various hands-on materials.

Classifying

- Go on a leaf hike with the children around your school environment. Ask them to pick up leaves as they go. Ensure that children avoid poisonous leaves. When they return to the classroom have them sort the leaves they collected into groups. Ask the children to tell you how they sorted the leaves. Then tape a leaf on the wall and let each child match it with a leaf from their collection. Make and display a class leaf collection using as many different kinds of leaves as possible. Then let children make leaf prints using crayons or colored pencils.
- Observe, classify and graph classroom objects as living or non-living.

Measuring

- Students can determine how many small cups of water a pitcher holds by pouring, counting and tallying.
- Students create a simple classroom graph showing the height (or weight) of each other after conducting measurements.

Investigating

• Pupils can investigate what happens to water when it is boiled for a long time.

Predicting

• Predict, identify and record data regarding what plants need to survive by observing plants being grown under different conditions. First encourage children to predict what will happen. Use two similar, healthy plants. Ask the children to take turns watering one plant while ignoring the other for a week or two, keeping both plants in the same place. Have them check the results of the experiment and compare this with their prediction.

Inferring

- Identify various internal body parts (heart, lungs, stomach and brain). After discussing the body's use of these organs, students will infer where these organs are located within the body. To record this information, students will make a traced model of the outer body and position cut-outs of internal organs.
- Have the children infer how their senses are used to warn their body of danger.

Defining Operationally

- The process by which a scientific term is defined according to what must be done and what should be observed in order to identify the concept. For example, we can define what "strength" is. If we decide that strength is the weight that a paper bag can hold without tearing or bursting then we can make meaningful comparisons when we test different paper bags made of various materials in a variety of ways.
- Pupils can practice making operational definitions using a simple circuit. They will need a battery, flashlight bulb and insulated wire with both ends stripped. Have students look at a diagram of a simple closed circuit. Set up the battery, bulb and wire so the bulb lights. Have them write their definition of a closed circuit based on what they did. Next, let then look up the word circuit in their dictionary and write it down. Have them discuss how their definition is different

from the one given in the dictionary. Ask them how their definition communicated what the closed circuit did. How did making a closed circuit help them define it.

Interpreting Data

• Collect, record, and interpret data about the beat of the heart just before and after exercise. Have children create improvised devices for listening to the heart such as using empty napkin rolls. Select six children whose hearts they will listen to before exercising. Have the children perform various rapid exercises in the presence of the others. Thereafter, let them listen to their hearts again. Have them interpret the before and after data.

Hypothesizing

- Hypothesize about how to solve a problem.
- First encourage hypothesizing (guessing). Then use several objects soap, a dry sock, a wooden block, sponge, and a block. Ask children to guess which objects will float when dropped into water in a tub. Then drop the objects in the water, one by one, to see what happens. Have them compare each result with their hypotheses.

Controlling Variables

• In first trial raise a pendulum and release it from a height of 100 cm. In second trial raise and release the same pendulum from a height of 60 cm. In third trial raise and release the same pendulum from a height of 20 cm. Do this while keeping two variables the same which are the string length (100 cm) and the bob size. Have pupils identify which variable is being tested and which variables are being controlled.

Experimenting

• This involves making a plan to test a hypothesis. Students can make a plan to test which magnet is stronger. First have them write a hypothesis about which magnet will pick up more paper clips. Let them design their experiment. The only variable that changes is the magnet. The paper clips must remain constant. Students can design a chart to show their results. Have them perform the experiment. Let them compare their hypothesis with the results through discussion.

²²SAFETY TIPS FOR CHILDREN

In the Classroom

- Listen to the teacher.
- Wear old clothes or aprons to protect your uniform.
- Be careful with glass and sharp objects.
- Never taste or smell things unless your teacher tells you to.
- Clean up spills right away.
- Report accidents right away.
- Keep the Science center neat.
- Clean up when you are finished.
- Always wash your hands after you have finished experiments.

Outside

- Listen to your teacher.
- Stay with your group.
- Never taste or smell things unless your teacher tells you to.
- Don't touch plants or animals unless your teacher tells you to.
- Put living things back where you found them.
- Report accidents fight away.

²² Taken from McGraw Hill Science Teacher's Multimedia Edition

CHECKLISTS

(Taken from the National Curriculum Frameworks)

Name: Year:		
Place an artifact in the student's portfolio which shows he or she is using the following process skills	DATI	ES
Observing		
Comparing		
Classifying		
Measuring		
Discussing/Reporting		
Predicting		
Making Hypotheses		
Controlling Variables		

Integrated Science and Technology Inquiry Skills Checklist

Name: ______ Year: _____

Place an artifact in the student's portfolio which shows he or she is using Inquiry skills (based on Bloom's taxonomy).			DATES			
		DAI	ES T			
LOW LEVEL						
Knowledge						
· Identify • Recall						
Define Describe Name State						
Name State List Tell						
• Match • Write		_	-	_		
Comprehension						
• Explain • Summarize						
Paraphrase						
• Restate		-	+	H		
HIGHER LEVEL						
Application						
Demonstrate						
Dramatize						
Illustrate		-	-	+		
Analysis						
Analyze						
Classify						
Diagram		-		†		
HIGHEST LEVEL						
Synthesis						
ComposeInventSpeculate						
Hypothesize • Create						
Evaluation						
Criticize						
• Judge • Rate						
Justify		-	+-	+		

PROCESS SKILLS CHECKLIST

Place this checklist in the child's portfolio to record when the child used the skill. Include the child's evidence of skill use, e.g. the child's work, photographs or anecdotal records.

Name of Child:						
Skills	Dates					
Observing						
Using Space/Time						
Relations						
Comparing						
Communicating						
Manipulating						
Classifying						
Measuring						
Investigating						
Predicting						
Inferring						
Defining Operationally						
Interpreting Data						
Hypothesizing						
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