

Lesson Planner

Theme 10

Bugs

Week 1

Mosquitos and Flies

Starting the Day

- Begins to learn and internalize rules, routines, and directions (B.3.e.)
- Develops emerging skills in caring and cooperation (B.4.f.)
- Develops a feeling of being valued as an important individual who belongs within the group setting (B.2.h.)

Language Development

- Develops language skills in structured language contexts, such as through books, finger plays, singing, storytelling, and reenacting (C.2.d.)
- Develops an understanding that symbols/pictures can be "read" by others (C.3.g.)

- Backyard Bugs
- Guy the Fly Likes Pie
- There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly

Cognitive Development

- Uses senses to investigate the environment to discover what objects do and how things work (D.1.b.)
- Develops spatial understandings, including an awareness of how objects can be fitted together (D.1.f.)
- Shows interest in colors, shapes, patterns, and pictures (D.1.c.)

- Photo Activity Cards (51, 52)
- Bug Buzzers
- Bug Puzzles
- Fly Paper
- Bug Memory Game
- Bug Repellent Aromas

Social Emotional Development

- Develops increasing awareness of what can harm them (A.1.g.)
- Shows imagination and creativity to solve problems (D.2.b.)
- Responds to and interacts with others (B.4.b.)

- Flea Fly
- Pick a Pet
- Back Scratch
- Snack
- Camp Site

Physical Development

- Uses imitation in pretend play to express creativity and imagination (D.4.b.)
- Develops control of large muscles for movement, navigation, and balance (A.2.a.)
- Coordinates eye and hand movements (A.3.c.)

- Play Dough
- Bugs Flying
- Little Peter Rabbit
- Fly Catch
- Shoo Fly
- Suck It Up

Outdoor Play

- Develops increasing ability to change positions and move body from place to place (A.2.b.)

- Mosquito, Mosquito, Fly
- Follow the Crumbs
- Run Children, Fly Mosquitoes

Learning Centers

- Science
 - Uses senses to explore people, objects, and the environment (D.1.b.)
- Pretend and Learn
 - Uses imitation in pretend play to express creativity and imagination (D.4.b.)
- Creativity Station
 - Coordinates eye and hand movements (A.3.c.)
- Fine Motor
 - Uses tools and different actions on objects (A.3.d.)

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Week 2

Ants and Bees

Starting the Day

- Develops a feeling of being valued as an important individual who belongs within the group setting (B.2.h.)
- Develops emerging skills in caring and cooperation (B.4.f.)
- Develops capacity to predict routines and regular events that make up the day (B.3.b.)

Language Development

- Learns and begins to use math concepts during daily experiences (D.2.g.)
- Understands that pictures can represent real things in the environment (C.3.e.)
- Engages with stories and books (C.3.c.)

- Backyard Bugs
- Ms. Bumblebee Gathers Nectar
- Little Ants

Cognitive Development

- Begins to develop interests and skills related to numbers and counting (D.2.f.)
- Develops control of small muscles for manipulation and exploration (A.3.b.)
- Matches items that go together (D.1.h.)

- Photo Activity Cards (53, 54)
- Crawling Ants
- Here is the Beehive
- Bug Memory Game
- Little Ant

Social Emotional Development

- Develops increasing awareness of what can harm them (A.1.g.)
- Establishes secure relationships with primary caregivers (B.1.a.)
- Begins to develop personal relationships with peers (B.4.d.)

- Fingerprint Bugs
- Buzzy, Buzzy Bumblebee
- Toast and Honey
- Preventing Stings
- Buzzing Bees
- Treating Bee Stings

Physical Development

- Begins to develop interests and skills related to numbers and counting (D.2.f.)
- Moves body to achieve a goal (A.2.c.)
- Develops control of large muscles for movement, navigation, and balance (A.2.a.)

- Fly Like a Bee
- Anthill
- Little Ants
- Can You Move with Me?
- Bee Waggle

Outdoor Play

- Develops a knowledge of the natural environment in the outdoor area of the program (D.1.g.)

- Ant Search
- Ant March
- Movement Patterns

Learning Centers

- Science
 - Uses senses to explore people, objects, and the environment (D.1.b.)
- Gross Motor
 - Uses senses to investigate their environment (D.1.b.)
- Creativity Station
 - Shows interest in colors, shapes, patterns, and pictures (D.1.c.)
- Fine Motor
 - Coordinates eye and hand movements (A.3.c.)

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Week 3

Caterpillars and Butterflies

Starting the Day

- Develops an increasing awareness of the impact and consequences of their actions (B.3.c.)
- Shows ability to cope with stress (B.3.a.)
- Responds to and interacts with others (B.4.b.)

Language Development

- Demonstrates receptive language skills (C.1.d.)
- Develops a playful interest in repetitive sounds and words (rhythm, rhyme, alliteration) (C.3.b.)
- Understands that pictures can represent real things in the environment (C.3.e.)

- Backyard Bugs
- Fuzzy Caterpillar
- Little Caterpillar

Cognitive Development

- Searches for missing or hidden objects (D.3.b.)
- Shows ability to acquire and process new information (D.3.c.)
- Develops the ability to make decisions and choose own materials (D.2.d.)

- Photo Activity Card (55)
- Butterfly Match
- Did You Ever See a Caterpillar?
- Find the Caterpillars
- Blotto Butterflies
- Bug Memory Game

Social Emotional Development

- Shows emotional connections and attachment to others while beginning to show independence (B.1.c.)
- Establishes secure relationships with primary caregivers (B.1.a.)

- Cocoon
- Caterpillar Crawl
- Metamorphosis Puppets
- Butterfly Kisses
- Caterpillar Treats

Physical Development

- Develops increasing ability to change positions and move body from place to place (A.2.b.)
- Coordinates eye and hand movements (A.3.c.)
- Develops an increasing ability to keep a steady beat through chants and movement to rhythmic patterns (A.2.f.)

- Play Dough Caterpillars
- Dancing Butterflies
- Metamorphosis
- Can You Move with Me?
- Butterfly

Outdoor Play

- Develops a knowledge of the natural environment in the outdoor area of the program (D.1.g.)

- Butterfly Watch
- Flying
- Caterpillar, Caterpillar, Butterfly

Learning Centers

- Science
 - Shows ability to acquire and process new information (D.3.c.)
- Creativity Station
 - Develops skill and confidence with processes of art, such as collage and painting (D.5.a.)
- Pretend and Learn
 - Uses objects in new ways or in pretend play (D.4.a.)
- Fine Motor
 - Develops spatial understandings, including an awareness of how two-dimensional objects can be fitted together (D.1.f.)

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Week 4

Ladybugs and Dragonflies

Starting the Day

- Begins to develop and demonstrate a positive sense of self (B.4.e.)
- Develops emerging skills in caring and cooperation (B.4.f.)
- Begins to learn and internalize rules, routines, and directions (B.3.e.)

Language Development

- Listens with interest to language of others (C.1.a.)
- Understands that pictures can represent real things in the environment (C.3.e.)
- Engages with stories and books (C.3.c.)

- Backyard Bugs
- All Around My Yard
- Five Little Ladybugs

Cognitive Development

- Shows interest in colors, shapes, patterns, and pictures (D.1.c.)
- Applies knowledge to new situations (D.2.c.)
- Develops spatial understandings, including an awareness of how two-dimensional objects can be fitted together (D.1.f.)

- Photo Activity Cards (56, 57)
- Ladybug
- Dragonfly
- Bug Puzzles
- Bug Patterns
- Bug Memory Game

Social Emotional Development

- Begins to develop interests and skills related to numbers and counting (D.2.f.)
- Matches items that go together (D.1.h.)
- Develops an increasing ability to take another's point of view and to empathize with others (B.4.g.)

- Hungry Dragonflies
- Ladybug Stick Puppet
- Make a Wish
- Pest or Not?
- Ladybug Cookies

Physical Development

- Develops confidence with moving in space, moving to rhythm, and playing near and with others (A.2.e.)
- Moves body to achieve a goal (A.2.c.)
- Responds to nonverbal and verbal communication of others (C.1.b.)

- Ladybug, Ladybug Fly Away Home
- Spot Toss
- My Busy Garden
- Dragonfly Flit
- Insect Hokey Pokey

Outdoor Play

- Develops a knowledge of the natural environment in the outdoor area of the program (D.1.g.)

- Ladybug and Dragonfly Search
- Fly Away Home
- Follow the Path

Learning Centers

- Science
 - Uses senses to explore people, objects, and the environment (D.1.b.)
- Creativity Station
 - Develops an ability to be creative and expressive through a variety of activities, such as pretend play, art, and music (D.5.b.)
- Fine Motor
 - Develops control of small muscles for manipulation and exploration (A.3.b.)
- Construction
 - Uses objects in new ways or in pretend play (D.4.a.)