

TOPIC: Living Things

Day MONDAY	Stepping Stones/ Learning Goals	Activity	Adult Role and Assessment Focus	Resources	
1. Personal, social and emotional development	Responding to experiences	Whole group-looking at plants	Encourage each child to participate	As for 4	
2. Communication, language & literacy	Retell narrative in correct sequence	Retell narrative	Draw on language pattern	Jasper and the Beanstalk	
3. Mathematical Development	Recreate simple patterns	Making patterns	Help children recognise pattern	Peg boards Coloured pegs	
4. Knowledge and Understanding of the World	Finding out about living things	Observing plants	Ask open ended questions	Beans in containers Carrot 'heads' Grass heads	
5. Physical Development	Travelling around space Travelling around cones	Travelling in directions	Encourage children to follow route/instructions	Bikes cones	
6. Creative Development	Record features	Observation drawings of (4)	Identify features of growth	As for 4	

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Day TUESDAY	Stepping Stones/ Learning Goals	Activity	Adult Role and Assessment Focus	Resources	
1. Personal, social and emotional development	Form good relationships with adults/peers	Speaking in group	Encourage children to speak and listen	Toys from home Books	
2. Communication, language & literacy	Speaking clearly, show awareness of listener	Speaking at circle time	Allow all children to speak if they want to	“	
3. Mathematical Development	Working with measures Solving problems	Measuring- bigger/smaller	Work with small groups- help children focus on size	Different sized bottles Water tray	
4. Knowledge and Understanding of the World	Investigating water and it's properties	Filling containers with water	Extend vocabulary empty/full	“	
5. Physical Development	Using tools Using small equipment	Making objects Using tools	Interact with small group vocabulary	Tools and small equipment	
6. Creative Development	Explore texture and shape	Using playdough to make shapes	Work with group- use open ended questions	Cutters Range of tools Playdough	

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Day WEDNESDAY	Stepping Stones/ Learning Goals	Activity	Adult Role and Assessment Focus	Resources	
1. Personal, social and emotional development	Showing feelings about events	Talking about going out	Suggest topic	books/photos	
2. Communication, language & literacy	Writing names/letters	Writing names	Encourage children to attempt writing	Name cards Paper Materials	
3. Mathematical Development	Counting 1-10 Counting back	Counting songs, number rhymes	Singing clearly with group	5 little ducks 5 speckled frogs 5 current buns	
4. Knowledge and Understanding of the World	Selecting bricks adapting	Building and constructing	Open ended questions	Different types of brick/duplo	
5. Physical Development	Travelling in different ways Balancing	Using bodies in space	Show group how to balance and move	Bean bags	
6. Creative Development	Expressing ideas Imaginative play	Role play Going on a walk in the sun	Encourage children to express ideas- interact with small group	Buggies, dolls, sunglasses, blankets, bags	

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Day THURSDAY	Stepping Stones/ Learning Goals	Activity	Adult Role and Assessment Focus	Resources	
1. Personal, social and emotional development	Manage personal hygiene	Personal hygiene	Assisting younger children	Access to sinks/towels	
2. Communication, language & literacy	Interact with others	Talking in group- Mother's Day	Extend children's vocabulary	Mother's Day Cards	
3. Mathematical Development	One more one less	Counting bears 1-10	Work with small groups	Compare bears	
4. Knowledge and Understanding of the World	Using everyday technology	Listening to tape Using telephone	Showing small groups how to use tape recorder	Tape recorder Telephones	
5. Physical Development	Move with control, co-ordination	Obstacle course	Encourage all children to approach apparatus confidently	Slides Tunnels Cones Beanbags	
6. Creative Development	Design, express ideas with materials	Occasion cards stage 1	Provide range of materials for folding cards	Card 2 sizes Glue	

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Day FRIDAY	Stepping Stones/ Learning Goals	Activity	Adult Role and Assessment Focus	Resources	
1. Personal, social and emotional development	Sensitive to own needs and needs of others	Sharing, taking turns at activities	Allow children to understand and help each other	materials/equipment	
2. Communication, language & literacy	Listen with enjoyment and respond to story	Story- The Gingerbread Man	Encourage responses	Book- The Gingerbread Man	
3. Mathematical Development	Measuring and counting	Baking gingerbread men	Supervise activity	Baking equipment	
4. Knowledge and Understanding of the World	Exploring textures	“	Encourage children to feel and touch	“	
5. Physical Development	Using tools and small equipment	“	Explain need for healthy foods	“	
6. Creative Development	Explore shape	Drawing pictures of the Gingerbread man	Interact with small group	Felt tips Crayons Template	

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