



Month: May Week: 3 Subject: Phonics

Day 1	Topic(s) Theme: Nature's Backyard Number: 15 Letter: Nn Color: Brown Shape: Circle	Foundation(s) ELA2.1 Demonstrate awareness of the alphabet ELA2.2 Demonstrate phonological awareness
Indicators	Younger Preschool	Older Preschool
	Children may point to or touch the letter "N" when prompted.	Children may verbally identify and say the "N" sound.
<p>Activity: Letter N Hunt Indoors & Outdoors Children will search the classroom or outdoor play area for the letter "N" posted in different locations (upper- and lowercase). When they find one, encourage them to say "N says /n/!" aloud.</p> <p>Optional: Give students mini magnifying glasses to "hunt" for letters like nature explorers!</p>		
Resources/Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Printed letter Nn cards Tape or magnets for posting letters Magnifying glasses (optional) 	Key Vocabulary: nest, net, night	Support:



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Day 2	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Nature's Backyard Number: 15 Letter: Nn Color: Brown Shape: Circle	ELA2.2 Demonstrate phonological awareness ELA2.1 Demonstrate awareness of the alphabet
Indicators	Younger Preschool	Older Preschool
	Children may repeat beginning sounds when modeled.	Children may independently attempt to sound out simple words starting with N.
<p>Activity: Sound Out Nature Words (nest, net, night)</p> <p>The teacher will show three words on cards (example): nest, net, and night.</p> <p>Model stretching the words: "n-n-nest," "n-n-net," "n-n-night."</p> <p>Students will echo the sounds, clap the syllables, and identify the starting letter Nn.</p>		
Resources/Materials	Key Vocabulary:	Support:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Word cards: "nest," "net," "night" Picture cards (optional) 	nest, net, night	

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Preschool Curriculum

Day 3	Topic(s)		Foundation(s)	
	Theme: Nature’s Backyard Number: 15 Letter: Nn Color: Brown Shape: Circle		ELA2.1 Demonstrate awareness of the alphabet ELA2.3 Demonstrate awareness and understanding of the concept of print	
Indicators	Younger Preschool		Older Preschool	
	Children may match the letter "N" to pictures that start with the sound.		Children may sort pictures and match them independently to the letter Nn.	
<p>Activity: Match Nn Letter Cards to Pictures</p> <p>Provide letter Nn cards and pictures of items that either start with N (nest, net, night) or not (cat, sun, dog).</p> <p>Children match the letter N to the correct pictures.</p> <p>Older preschoolers can explain why the item matches or doesn’t.</p>				
Resources/Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none">Letter Nn cardsPicture cards (some Nn starters, some distractors)		Key Vocabulary: night, nest, nature		Support:

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Day 4	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
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	Theme: Nature's Backyard Number: 15 Letter: Nn Color: Brown Shape: Circle	ELA2.1 Demonstrate awareness of the alphabet ELA2.2 Demonstrate phonological awareness
Indicators	Younger Preschool	Older Preschool
	Children may sing along with key letter N sounds when prompted.	Children may perform actions that match the Nn song sounds independently.
<p>Activity: Letter N Sound Song + Dance</p> <p>Play or sing a simple song emphasizing the Nn sound ("N is for Nest, Net, Night..."). Encourage children to make gestures for each word:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pretend to build a nest • Hold a net • Look at the stars at night <p>Dance or move with the Nn sounds!</p>		
Resources/Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music player or sing-along • Visuals of nest, net, night 	Key Vocabulary: nest, net, night	Support:

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Day 5	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
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Preschool Curriculum

	Theme: Nature's Backyard Number: 15 Letter: Nn Color: Brown Shape: Circle	ELA2.2 Demonstrate phonological awareness ELA2.4 Demonstrate comprehension
Indicators	Younger Preschool	Older Preschool
	Children may identify rhyming pairs when prompted.	Children may independently suggest or match rhyming nature words.
<p>Activity: Nature Rhyming Cards</p> <p>Use cards with nature-themed words and pictures (net, pet, sun, run, tree, bee).</p> <p>Lay them out face-up and call out a word ("tree") - the students find the rhyming match ("bee").</p> <p>Older preschoolers can try to come up with their own rhyming words!</p>		
Resources/Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rhyming cards (word and picture pairs) 	Key Vocabulary: tree, bee, sun	Support: