

Month: July Week: 4 Subject: Science

Day 1	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Camping Under the Stars Number: 2 Letter: Uu Color: Green Shape: Star	SC1.2 Demonstrate awareness of the physical properties of objects SC5.1 Demonstrate scientific curiosity
Indicators		
	Younger Preschool	Older Preschool
	Explore materials through touch and observation.	Describes item characteristics such as soft, heavy, or waterproof.

Activity: What Do We Pack?

Display a collection of real or toy camping items (e.g., flashlight, sleeping bag, canteen, backpack). Allow children to touch, lift, and explore the items while talking about their purpose. Discuss which items are helpful for camping and why. Compare textures, weights, and sizes using descriptive vocabulary. Encourage curiosity by asking open-ended questions.

Resources/Materials • Real or toy camping items • Classification	Key Vocabulary: pack, soft, heavy	Support:
chart		





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Day 2	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Camping Under the Stars	SC3.1 Demonstrate awareness of life
	Number: 2 Letter: Uu Color: Green Shape: Star	SC5.1 Demonstrate scientific curiosity
Indicators		
	Younger Preschool	Older Preschool
	Collects and notices natural objects with guidance.	Sorts nature items and talk about where they come from.

Activity: Nature Hunt

Go on a nature walk outside (or simulate one indoors with placed items). Provide children with baskets to collect safe natural items such as leaves, rocks, sticks, or flowers. After collecting, return to class to sort and talk about what was found. Discuss which items are living or nonliving and how nature changes in different places.

Resources/Materials Baskets, magnifying glasses, sorting trays	Key Vocabulary: nature, leaf, stick	Support:
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Day 3	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Camping Under the Stars Number: 2 Letter: Uu	SC1.1 Demonstrate ability to explore objects in the physical world
	Color: Green Shape: Star	SC2.1 Recognize the characteristics of Earth and sky
Indicators		
	Younger Preschool	Older Preschool
	React to light and shadow changes with support.	Predicts and explains what will happen when light is blocked.

Activity: Flashlight Shadows

Darken a small area of the classroom and give students flashlights and simple cutouts or objects. Let them experiment with casting shadows on walls or the floor. Discuss what happens when an object blocks the light. Encourage children to describe what they see and make predictions by moving objects closer or farther.

Resources/Materials	Key Vocabulary:	Support:
 Flashlights 	light, dark, shadow, block	
 Cardboard cutouts 		
 Paper shapes 		





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	Theme: Camping Under the Stars Number: 2 Letter: Uu	SC1.2 Demonstrate awareness of the physical properties of objects
	Color: Green Shape: Star	SC3.2 Demonstrate awareness of the preservation, protection, and care of living creatures and plants
Indicators		
	Younger Preschool	Older Preschool
	Identifies changes in texture or temperature during a hands-on activity.	Talk about how heat changes materials and why we cook food safely.

Activity: Make S'mores

Guide children in assembling and heating s'mores using a toaster oven or microwave. Discuss the texture of each ingredient before and after heating. Ask how the marshmallow feels before vs. after cooking and why the chocolate melts. Review safety rules for food and discuss the importance of handling hot items with care.

Resources/Materials	Key Vocabulary: melt, hot, sticky, soft	Support:
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Day 5	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
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Indicators		
	Younger Preschool	Older Preschool
	Explores water play by placing items in water with support.	Predicts and explains whether items will sink or float and why.

Activity: Sink or Float - Camping Edition

Fill a clear tub with water and gather small camping-related objects (e.g., plastic utensils, mini tent fabric, toy lantern). Before placing each item in the water, ask children to guess whether it will sink or float. Test the item and discuss the result. Chart predictions vs. outcomes to foster observation and scientific thinking.

Resources/Materials	Key Vocabulary:	Support:
 Tub of water 	sink, float, water	
 Camping items 		
Chart paper		

