



Reception Topic: Nature Rocks

Topic assessment: EYFS and progression for learning document

EYFS Framework

Prime areas:

- Communication and language
- Physical development
- Personal, social and emotional development

The specific areas:

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the world
- Expressive arts and design



EYFS Framework: ELGs

Communication and language

- Listening, attention and understanding / Speaking

PSED

- Self-regulation / Managing self / Building relationships

Physical development

- Gross motor skills / Fine motor skills

Literacy

- Comprehension / Word reading / Writing

Mathematics

- Number / Numerical patterns

Understanding the World

- Past and present / People, Culture and Communities / The natural world

Expressive arts and design

- Creating with materials / Being imaginative and expressive



EYFS Progression for Learning

This topic will aim to address some of the goals laid out in the progression for learning document for the second half of the Spring term.

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Topic plan

WOW topic starter

The woodland walk: The Gruffalo

UW

- Woodland nature walk
- Discuss what you can see and hear in the woods
- Talk about the animals we can hear

Maths

- Draw and label a map of where we went

C&L / L

- Write a walk recount
- Talk about the types of animals that might live in the woods
- Read and re read the Gruffalo
- Fun at the farm role play area
- Describe a Gruffalo
- Predict what the Gruffalo story might be about by looking at the front cover



The Gruffalo

EAD

- Design their own Gruffalo in the creative area
- Select different materials to make the Gruffalo's fur, sharp teeth and knobbly knees

PSED

- Talk about how the Gruffalo might be feeling at different stages of the story
- Describe how the mouse might be feeling at different parts of the story
- Complete speech bubbles showing what the Gruffalo might be saying related to his feelings

Maths

- Animal sorting in the role play area

Seasons

UW

- Observe and discuss changes in the weather
- Complete daily weather/seasons board
- Complete cut and stick outfit changes related to the weather

EAD

- Identify the different colours that link to the different seasons
- Draw or paint your interpretation of each season
- Discuss your choice of colours and materials explain why you've made certain choices
- Look at designs and discuss what you would do differently or what you could add or change

Habitats

UW

- Make your own insect habitat – select your own materials and create your own design
- Visit the habit trail and discuss your learning in the classroom beginning to speak in full sentences using some newly introduced language

EAD

- Junk model a woodland scene
- Talk about what you should include in your scene and why
- Link what you've seen on your woodland walk to your choices in the woodland scene you make

Mini beast

C&L / L

- Read and re-read The Very Hungry Caterpillar story
- Sequence the story
- Discuss how the Hungry Caterpillar is feeling at different points in the story and offer suggests as to why he could be feeling that way
- Link parts of the story to things you have experienced in life

PD

- Complete a food diary
- Cosmic Kids Yoga: The Very Hungry Caterpillar
- Be able to explain why it's important to exercise and link it to what we have learned from the Hungry Caterpillar story



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Prime and Specific Areas and ELGS through Continuous Provision

- Creation station: Make your own Gruffalo
- Construction area
 - D.T challenge: Billy Goat's Bridge
- Reading area : Wildlife focus
- Retailing stories with the story boxes in the reading area
- Outdoor learning
 - Sand tray
 - Mud kitchen
 - Growing station
 - Crates, tires and wood planks
- Sequencing stories using props, pictures and puppets
- Writing area: Wildlife focus
- Fun at the Farm role play area
- Lifecycle of a butterfly observation writing and drawing
- Computing area



Key Texts

- The Gruffalo
- Peter Rabbit
- Leaf Man
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar
- We're Going on a Bear Hunt
- Stopping By Woods On A Snowy Evening by Robert Frost
- Owl Babbies

