

Curriculum for Pre-K: Wings and Things That Fly E-Z Planner

Take Home Opportunities

A sampling of learning experiences, in addition to the Discoveries-to-Go, that provide ways to connect and engage families in the topic of study.

Skill and Concept Focus

An easy way to see a sample of learning experiences that focus on colors, shapes, numbers, and/or letters.

Subtopic 1: Exploring Flying

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Learning Experience	Page Number
Spaced Out!	16
Gliders	16
Flying Creations	16
Fly Away	17
If I Could Fly . . .	21

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Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Numbers	Letters
Wingspans	14				
Fly Paper Airplanes	15				
Gliders	16				
Friends That Fly	17				
If I Could Fly . . .	21				
Hole in My Bucket	21				

Subtopic 2: Flying Insects

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Learning Experience	Page Number
Build a Bug Game	26
Wing Dress-Up	28
Take a Drink	28
My Own Bug	29
How Far Will It Glide?	29

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Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Numbers	Letters
It's a Buzz	24				
Camouflage	24				
Beehive	25				
Ladybug Count	26				
How Far Will It Glide?	29				
Flashy Insects	30				

Subtopic 3: Birds, Bats, and Other Creatures with Wings

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Learning Experience	Page Number
Bat and Bird Watchers	37
Create Birds or Bats	40
Nesting	40
Upside-Down Art	41
Feather Art	41

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Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Numbers	Letters
Birdy and Batty Words	36				
<i>First Flight</i>	36				
Birds and Bats	37				
Feathered Fashions	38				
Upside Down	39				
Filling Buckets	45				

Subtopic 4: Flying Things

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Learning Experience	Page Number
Flying Flags	48
Skywriting	49
Fun Fliers	52
Flying Stickers	53
Creating Kites	53

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Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Numbers	Letters
Flying Flags	48				
Skywriting	49				
Flying Graph	50				
Creating Kites	53				
What Time Is It, Pilot?	54				
Flying Rings	54				

Expanded Interest Area Ideas

Airport – Transform an area of your room into an airport using cardboard boxes to create a boarding gate, luggage, paper for boarding passes, pilot hats, travel photos/posters, etc. Children will love pretending to travel the world. You may also wish to invite a pilot from your community to speak to your class. (Air Traffic Control, p. 17; Attention All Aircraft!, p. 17; Where Shall We Go?, p. 18; A-Okay for Takeoff!, p. 20; Enhance the Environment, p. 47; Let's Go Flying!, p. 53)

Insect Observation Center – Catch several safe flying insects, such as butterflies, ladybugs, and fireflies, and put them in bug boxes or jars for children to observe how they move, eat, etc. Only keep them inside for a day or two. Add plastic or rubber insects, unbreakable magnifying glasses, photos/pictures of insects, and more so children can inspect them more closely. Expand the observation further by taking children on bug safari adventures outside. (Observe a Bug Home, p. 25; Which Bug Where?, p. 26; Metamorphosis, p. 27; Take a Drink, p. 28; What Else Is Coming?, p. 33)