



Understanding
Others

Grade One

Fun in the Sun



Serving the Needs of Humanity

This Super Unit is a structured inquiry into helping the learner understand other people. Learners will identify a local need of others and plan action. Learners will be empowered to authentically provide service to others. Learners will develop their ability to do service design thinking.



Highlights of Learning Experiences

SuperUnit Launch: Fun in the sun field activity.

Field Trip(s): Investigate sun protection at a local recreational facility.

Guest Speaker(s): PE teachers and students, gardeners, cleaners, security guards, MakerSpace teacher.

Project(s): Creation of a prototype that will help others live with the sun safely.

Core Values (describe the key concepts):

- Dedicated Service - Community and Social Responsibility
- Sense of Self - Character, Lifelong Learning
- Balance in Life - Wellness, Balanced Obligations

SuperUnit Celebration: The prototypes that the children will create will be shared in a presentation to school stakeholders.



Focus on Learning by Subject

Science: Weather, climate, design cycle.

SS: Describe ways in which people depend on the physical environment. Describe how weather is different in different locations.

English: Persuasive writing; oral presentation skills

Math: Unit 2: Developing base ten number sense

Art: Creating 3D shapes using common materials

Drama: Presentation skills

Music: Teaching sun safety through song

PE: Sun safety/having fun in the sun

How do people live with the sun?



Questions to Ask your Child

- How does the sun help us?
- How might the sun hurt us?
- What can you do to stay safe in the sun?
- What materials work best to help us in the sun?
- What are the properties of materials used to protect us from the sun?
- What kinds of weather has our family experienced? Where did we experience it?



Home Learning

- Discuss sun safety equipment.
- Watch videos about sun safety.
- Read books about the solar system and weather.
- Talk about key vocabulary in your native language related to weather and climate.



Suggested Home Extensions

- Play outdoors in the sun to soak up Vitamin D!
- Teach your child how to apply sunscreen independently.
- Visit a local waterpark and notice how designs help shade certain areas.
- Practice being sun safe while playing outside (use sunglasses, long sleeves or sunscreen, hats, etc.)



Key Vocabulary

- Imagine
- Investigate
- Plan
- Create
- Evaluate
- Weather and climate



SuperUnit Launch: Fun in the Sun Field Activity

Field Trip:

Neighborhood Recreation Facility
Week of November 6-10

Guest Speakers:

- School Gardeners
- PE Teachers
- Security Guards
- Makerspace Teachers
- Cleaners

SuperUnit Celebration:

Presentation of Student Prototypes
Week of December 4-8



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