

At A Glance Preschool Lesson Plans  
Investigation 2: Who Lives In Trees?  
Week 3 – Trees Study

Schedule	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Art: materials to make bark rubbings, magnifying glasses Library: book- <i>Who Lives in Trees?</i>	Discovery: tree parts, magnifying glasses Library: book – <i>Who Lives in Trees?</i>	Discovery: tree parts, magnifying glasses	Dramatic Play: realistic animal puppets	Dramatic Play: realistic animal puppets, materials for building tree homes
Question of the Day	Which animal lives in a tree, an alligator or a squirrel?	Who might have made this home in a tree? (Display a photo of a bird’s next)	Could this insect hurt a tree? (Display a picture of the pine beetle from <i>Who Lives in Trees?</i> )	Does this animal live in a tree? (Display a picture of an animal that doesn’t live in a tree)	What creature lives in this tree home? (Display a photo of a hive)
Large Group	Opening Routine  Song: “Strolling Through The Park” #46  Discussion: Who Might Live in Our Trees: - SE11	Opening Routine  Game: Riddles #61  Discussion: Preparing for the Site Visit	Opening Routine  Game: Let’s Pretend #39  Discussion: Harmful and Helpful –Book: <i>The Grouchy Ladybug</i>	Opening Routine  Song: “I’m a Sturdy Oak Tree” #45  Discussion: Tree Storytelling – Book: <i>Who Lives in Trees?</i>	Opening Routine  Song: “Strolling Through The Park” #46  Discussion: Home in Trees-Book: <i>Who Lives in Trees?</i>
Read Aloud	Read: <i>Grouchy Ladybug</i> – card #14 <i>second read aloud</i>	Read: <i>Who Lives in Trees</i>	Read: <i>Grouchy Ladybug</i> – <i>third read aloud</i>	Read: <i>When the Monkeys Come Back</i>	Read: <i>Henny Penny</i> -card #15- <i>first read aloud</i>
Small Group	Option 1: How Many are In the Tree?-M22 Option 2: Big Story Problems-M22	Option 1: Show Me Five-M16 Option 2: Nursery Rhyme Count-M13	Option 1: Rhyming Riddles-LL11 Option 2: Rhyming Tubs-LL44	Option 1: Creature Painting-LL32 Option 2: Animal Sculptures-LL32	Option 1: Spy Outside-LL01 Option 2: Investigating Animal Homes-LL63
#Mighty Minutes	“Freeze”, #25	“The Name Dance”, #60	“Two Plump Armadillos”, #44	“We Like Clapping”, #89	“Where Can He Be?”, #62