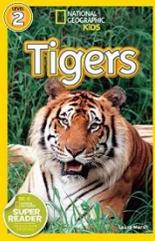


2nd Grade Assignment Choice Board April 20th - May 1st

Directions: Pick 10 choices to work on over the next 2 weeks. Do more if you want!

Reading	<p>Listen to Life in Space (level S) on RazKids.</p> <p>Talk about the following questions with someone:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What effect does living in space have on an astronaut's body? 2. What is the benefit of science teachers being able to attend space camps? 	<p>Watch the video of the book Helen Keller</p> <p>Write down the main idea of the story. (What was this book MOSTLY about?) Write three facts to tell more about the main idea. (These are the supporting details.)</p>	<p>Pick a book of your choice. You may choose RazKids or a book you have at home.</p> <p>Before you read: Read the title, what is the text about, what is the topic?</p> <p>During: Look for text features, Is it fiction or non fiction?</p> <p>After: Think about the most important part. What details support the main idea?</p>	 <p>What do you think the main idea of this book is? Is it fiction or non fiction? What details might you find in the story?</p> <p>Listen to the story if you can!</p>
Writing	<p>You've probably heard the saying, "It's raining cats and dogs." What would happen if it actually did rain cats and dogs? Write and illustrate a story about the day it rained cats and dogs. Write and Draw a picture.</p>	<p>April 22 is Earth Day. Write a list of ten things you could do to help the Earth. What is the most important thing you could do? Write 3-5 sentences</p>	<p>What wish do you have for our world? Would you like cleaner air? More trees? Better places for animals to live? Tell how you can help make your wish come true. Write 3-5 sentences</p>	<p>Imagine you could interview Mother Nature. Write five questions you would ask. Then choose one question and write what her answer might be.</p>
Math	<p>Count by fives.</p> <p>25, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____</p>	<p>Write <u>four ways</u> to make 14.</p>	<p>Recess is 15 minutes long. Mauricio and Denny have been playing for 8 minutes. How much longer can they play?</p>	<p>What comes next?</p> <p>1 2 1 2 3 1 2 3 4 ____ ____</p>

Science/ Hands On

How to make a simple microscope

***A plastic cup *Cling wrap**

***Rubber band *Scissors *Water**

***And some interesting specimens to look at**

- 1) Cut a hole in the bottom of the plastic cup.
- 2) Stretch a piece of cling wrap over the top of the cup and secure it with a rubber band.
- 3) Find a specimen and place your cut-out hole in the bottom of the cup over it.

- 4) Pour a little water on top of the cling wrap
5. Look at your specimen through the water. The water acts as a lens and makes your specimen look larger.

- 6) Find more specimens and look at them. Add more water if any spills over.

This microscope is best used outside because of the water spillage.



HOW TO
MAKE A MICROSCOPE
COURTESY: SCIENCE FOR KIDS

Wishful thinking

- 1) Draw and cut out as many animal cards as you can and place in a stack.
- 2) Take turns choosing an animal from the stack.

Say that they wish they were that animal and what they would do if they were.

For example, "I wish I were a bird. If I were a bird, I would fly around to my friends."

3) The next player needs to repeat what was said (not perfectly) and add onto it.

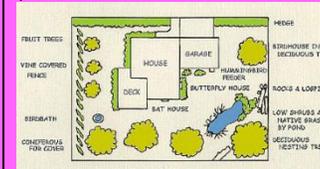
For example: "If I were a bird, I would fly around to my friends, and I could live in a tree."

4) Keep playing until all players in the group have added to the statements about that animal. Or if there are only two players, both can go back and forth until the other runs out of ideas!

Whoever is left at the end of the game is the winner!

Backyard Habitat Mapping Go exploring in your backyard

- 1) Draw a map of your backyard. Use your house as the main focus.



- 2) Draw all the different habitats you may find or have found animals and insects.

- 3) Write down why you think they animals and insects like that part of your yard.

American Indian Groups

The word native means something that has always been in a place or belongs to a place. Native Americans lived in America long before the Europeans came (and before it was called America). They were called Indians because Christopher Columbus arrived in this New World believing he had reached India. Columbus called the people he saw Indians.

American Indians were the First Americans to live on the continent of North America. They lived here long before people left the continent of Europe to look for riches and explore new lands.

Write down words or phrases that you know about American Indians.

Force and Motion Paper Airplane Toss Game



- 1) Take a large sheet of paper like a newspaper and cut about 3 to 5 different sized holes in it.
- 2) Make a point system between 10 to 50 points for each hole.
- 3) Hang the Paper up, make a paper airplane and see how many points you could get.

Alternative

Make each piece of furniture in a room a different point and see if you can get the airplane to land there.

Social Studies

Can you name these oceans?

Write the name of each ocean next to their correct number on a piece of paper (or here). Use the word bank below.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____

Which ocean is not numbered?



Word Bank

Pacific Ocean
Atlantic Ocean
Indian Ocean
Southern Ocean
Arctic Ocean

Can you name these U.S. landmarks?

Write the name of each river, mountain range, or lake next to their correct number on a piece of paper (or here). Use the word bank below.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____



Word Bank

James River Mississippi River
Rio Grande Rocky Mountains
Appalachian Mountains
Great Lakes

Eastern Woodlands

Long ago, many American Indians lived in a region called the **Eastern Woodlands**. This region is located on the eastern part of the North American continent near two large bodies of water – the Great Lakes and the Atlantic Ocean. Its climate has four seasons (winter, spring, summer, and fall) with mild winters and hot, humid summers.

The land of this region is made up of rolling hills, tree covered mountains, and flat coastal land near the Atlantic Ocean. Many rivers and streams also flow through this region. The land is covered in a variety of plant life which grows well in the mild climate and thick forests of the region.

Use the previous information to answer the following questions.

1. **What two bodies of water are located in the Eastern Woodlands?**
2. **Why did the plants grow well in this region?**

