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Unit Plan Overview for Interdisciplinary Traveling Trunk

Title of Unit: Life Cycle with a Focus on Butterflies Grade Level: 2nd Duration: 7 Days

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Alignment with Common Core and/or South Carolina Academic Standards for two or more content areas:

Science

Standard 2-1: The student will demonstrate an understanding of scientific inquiry, including the processes, skills, and mathematical thinking necessary to conduct a simple scientific investigation.

Indicators:

- 2-1.1 Carry out simple scientific investigations to answer questions about familiar objects and events.
- 2-1.3 Represent and communicate simple data and explanations through drawings, tables, pictographs, bar graphs, and oral and written language. Infer explanations regarding scientific observations and experiences.

Standard 2-2: The student will demonstrate an understanding of the needs and characteristics of animals as they interact in their own distinct environments. (Life Science)

Indicator:

2-2.5 Illustrate the various life

Math

Standard: 2.G.1. Recognize and draw shapes having specified attributes, such as a given number of angles or a given number of equal faces. *Identify triangles, quadrilaterals, pentagons, hexagons, and cubes.

Indicators:

2.OA.2 Fluently add and subtract within 20 using mental strategies. By end of Grade 2, know from memory all sums of two one-digit numbers. (See standard 1.OA.6 for a list of mental strategies.)

2.OA.3 Determine whether a group of objects (up to 20) has an odd or even number of members, e.g., by pairing objects or counting them by 2s; write an equation to express an even number as a sum of two equal addends.

ELA

Indicators:

2.SL. 2 Recount or describe key ideas or details from a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media.

2. KD. 1 Ask and answer such questions as who, what, where, when, why, and how to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text.
Writing

Standard 2-5 The student will write for a variety of purposes and audiences.

Indicator:

Create written pieces that describe objects, people, places, or events and that use words that appeal to the senses.

Social Studies

Indicator: 2-2.2 Recognize characteristics of the local regions, including its geographic features and natural resources. (G, E)

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cycles of animals (including		
birth and the stages of		
development).		

Connections to Exploratories:

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Art	Music	Technology	PE	
Students will design a	Students will sing along to a	Students will have the	Students will get the	
symmetric butterfly of	butterfly song to help them	opportunity to help	chance to go on a	
their own using shapes	understand the stages of the	create a symmetry	scavenger hunt to find	
and creativity.	life cycle.	butterfly on the smart	camouflaged	
		board.	"caterpillars".	
Students will put on a			-	
performing arts play for				
the kindergarteners.				

Summary of activities showing connections between content areas

- Science -

- All activities below are focused on the main content area of science and the butterfly life cycle. Every activity in this lesson can be found with some type of connection to another content area.
- English Language Arts
 - Read Alouds and group readings (A summary of the numerous options of books can be found below in the text set selection and more on the budget sheet.)
 - Writing (Students will have numerous writing experiences including but not limited to: observation recordings, fictional text, non-fictional text, and using the writing process throughout the unit.)
- Math -
 - Symmetry (Students will learn and experience what it means to be symmetrical. Butterflies have symmetrical wings.)
 - Simple Number Usage (Students will record in their journals the number each day standards for. Monday will be day 1; Tuesday will be day 2. Students should record the days and this will give them an opportunity to use math to figure out how long it takes a butterfly to change stages.)
- Social Studies -
 - Migration Posters (Learning about migration will give students the chance to review the country they live in and how their ancestors arrived here.)
- Arts (Art, Music, P.E.) -
 - Theatre Play (Kindergarten and second grade will each put on a play to show information they learned about the life cycle this year.)
 - Butterfly Songs (Songs will help students remember the phases of the butterfly life cycle.)
 - Scavenger Hunts (More than once throughout the unit students will be able to move around outside to hunt down characteristics of caterpillars and then

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	 butterflies.) Illustrations (Students will have the opportunity to illustrate the life cycle in more than one way.) Technology Promethean Planet (Throughout the unit, students will have the opportunity to use the promethean board to experience different properties of the life cycle and butterflies and caterpillars.) 		
Text Set (This might include children's literature, magazines, films, maps, brochures, websites, and other resources)	Children's Literature: The Very Hungry Caterpillar Butterfly House Sunflower House A Book of Colors Butterfly Butterfly From Caterpillar to Butterfly Butterfly and Caterpillar Ten Little Caterpillars Jake and the Migration of the Butterfly Wait and See Looking at Insects Animal Life Cycles Caterpillars	By: Eric Carle By: Eve Bunting By: Eve Bunting By: Patr Hornacek By: Gerald Legg By: Barrie Watt By: Bill Martin, Jr. By: Crystal Ball O'Conner By: Elena Martin By: David Glover By: Susan DeStefano By: Robyn Green	
	Websites: www.Unitedstreaming.com http://boowakwala.uptoten.com/kids/boowakwala-adventures-butterfly-butterflycolor.html www.discoveryed.com www.teacherspayteachers.com		
Essential Questions	 How can you describe the phases of the life cycle? How do caterpillars grow and change throughout their life cycle? How does the environment of an animal effect the animal? What is the difference between complete and incomplete metamorphosis? Use examples. 		

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Pre-Writing and Writing Activities	Daily Observations of the changes of the life cycle of a butterfly. Pre- Writing: What do you know about life cycles? Include animal examples. During Writing: You have three minutes to describe characteristics of a butterfly. Bonus: Include the new math term we've used when creating our butterfly designs. Writing Assessment: Take out your writing "What do you know about life cycles?" Please revise and add information of all that you learned throughout the week about life cycles and how animals change. Use any new vocabulary that you might have learned.			
Instructional Strategies	 Video learning to experience the butterfly life cycle in minutes Demonstrate the stages of the life cycle Hands – on activities to explore facts about butterflies Acting out and performing the life cycle of a butterfly Responding and reflecting to information learned about the life cycle and butterflies Observing and recording the life cycle of a caterpillar into a butterfly over time Read-alouds (fiction and nonfiction) Questioning throughout the unit Discussion throughout the unit 			
Accommodations, Modalities of Learning, Differentiating Instruction	Leveled books Different representation strategies of the life cycle Matching groups up with a purpose Each lesson has specific adaptations to make it to reach both kindergarten and second grade. Lessons 2 and 7 are done completely different for each grade level to make sure complete differentiation and be used.			
Vocabulary	Life Cycle Developing Birth Reproduce Death Digest Egg	Compare Contrast Characteristics Adult Chrysalis Environment Metamorphosis	Insect Larva Pupa Change Habitat Observe	
Assessments	Ticket out the door Butterfly Symmetry Worksheet Writing Assignments Project Option (Found in Project Folder) (Personal evaluations during the evaluation activity; anecdotals)			
Other Materials	Use a microscope to analyze any part of the life cycle that didn't make it.			

Attached: Daily Lesson Plans (in Learning Cycle, 5E, or 7E Procedures format)