Beginning Botanist

Overview

Overall Goal: Children learn about the parts of plants and what plants need to live and grow.

Lesson	Objectives	Vocabulary	Key Concepts	Tools
#1: Traveling Seeds	Children will learn to compare seeds by size and explore how a seed travels in the wind.	botanist farther plant(s) seed(s) travel wind	 Seeds make new plants. Wind helps some seeds travel. Larger seeds need more wind to travel. 	sorting tray drinking straw
#2: My Little Sprout	Children will learn that plants come from seeds, and what a germinating seed needs to grow.	dropper germinate magnifier plant(s) soak(ed) sprout	 A seed grows into a plant. Seeds need water to grow into a young plant. Young plants need light and water. The parts of a plant are roots, stem, leaves and flowers. 	magnifier dropper
#3: Roots and Stems Together	Children will learn how roots and stems work together to carry water and help plants stand up.	flower leaves roots soil stem(s) together petals	 Roots and stems work together to help plants get enough water. A plant stem helps a plant to stand up. Water moves up to all parts of a plant from the roots through the stems. Roots absorb and carry water. 	magnifier drinking straw
#4: Be Leaf It!	Children will examine and compare the different colors, shapes and sizes of leaves.	rounded/pointed small/large	 Leaves come in many different shapes, colors and sizes. Leaves can be sorted by their shape, color and size. 	