

Nursery

Learning Opportunities: Maths; UW - Geography

How does this area of learning link within the EYFS/ National Curriculum?

- Maths
- UW

Language Development

- It is under/on top of/behind/in front of...
- I can put this (natural object) back where it belongs....
- This smells/feels/sounds/looks/tastes
- I get to school by...

Key Vocabulary

Under	On top	Behind	In front	Place	Go
Home	Nature	Alive	Here	There	Come

Before Nursery, I have had the opportunity to...

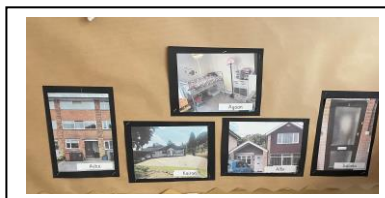
- Look at living things like worms and snails
- Explore textures, sounds, smells and tastes
- Explore the natural world
- Plant and water seeds

Key Learning

- ✓ Make collections of natural materials to investigate using all their senses, and talk about
- ✓ Use equipment such as magnifying glasses
- ✓ Begin to look after the natural environment by putting all living things back where they belong
- ✓ Learn that there are other countries in the World through books and personal/family experience

Next Step Prompt Questions

- Can the child use smell/sight/sound/touch and taste (when appropriate) to explore natural environments?
- Can they use their senses to tell you about a natural object such as a shell, flower, pebble or piece of bark?
- Can they say if something is alive or dead or has never been alive?
- Can they talk about other countries that they see in photos or pictures?
- Can they talk about where they have been on holiday (if they have been on a holiday)
- Can they talk about how they get to school?
- Can they describe where an object is using positional language?
- Can they follow simple instructions to put an object in a specific location (on the table/under the chair/behind the teddy)?



Environment Checklist

- ✓ Maps and atlases
- ✓ Magnifying glasses
- ✓ Wellies
- ✓ Natural objects: shells, pebbles, bark, sticks, flowers, leaves, seeds
- ✓ Photos and pictures of the UK and other countries
- ✓ Photos of the children's homes
- ✓ Holiday photos

Book Suggestions

- Maps and atlases
- Holiday brochures
- 'A Good Place' Lucy Cousins
- 'Maisie's Scrapbook' Samuel Narh
- 'Shh! We have a plan.' Chris Haughton
- 'The Snail and the Whale' Julia Donaldson

