

# PLANET

# PATROL

5 DAYS OF THEMED PRESCHOOL  
SUMMER CAMP LESSONS

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# PLANET PATROL

Preschoolers will love learning about our amazing planet and how to protect it! Planet Patrol is an interactive preschool lesson plan that encourages children to construct knowledge through meaningful play, thoughtfully planned activities, and active exploration of the environment. While the lesson plan incorporates many different Pennsylvania Learning Standards, it focuses on the key learning area of "Scientific Thinking – Exploring, Scientific Inquiry, and Discovery." Specifically, children will engage in learning activities that meet the PA Standard Areas of "Environment and Ecology, Earth and Space Sciences, and Biological Sciences."

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## SCHEDULE

### DAY 1

ARRIVAL ACTIVITY - CLEAN UP THE EARTH	20 MINUTES
CIRCLE TIME	15 MINUTES
HANDS-ON ACTIVITY - CLEAN UP THE EARTH GAME	20 MINUTES
BATHROOM BREAK	15 MINUTES
OUTSIDE PLAY	30 MINUTES
SNACK	15 MINUTES
TABLE ACTIVITY - GROW GARDENS	15 MINUTES
CENTER PLAY	30 MINUTES
STORY TIME	10 MINUTES
CIRCLE TIME - PICK UP	15 MINUTES

### DAY 2

ARRIVAL ACTIVITY - REUSE	20 MINUTES
CIRCLE TIME	15 MINUTES
THEMED ACTIVITY - RECYCLED ART	20 MINUTES
BATHROOM BREAK	15 MINUTES
OUTSIDE PLAY	30 MINUTES
SNACK	15 MINUTES
TABLE ACTIVITY - CATCH THE BALL	15 MINUTES
CENTER PLAY	30 MINUTES
STORY TIME	10 MINUTES
CIRCLE TIME - PICK UP	15 MINUTES

### DAY 3

ARRIVAL ACTIVITY - PROTECT THE ANIMALS	20 MINUTES
CIRCLE TIME	15 MINUTES
THEMED ACTIVITY - BEAUTIFUL BUTTERFLIES	20 MINUTES
BATHROOM BREAK	15 MINUTES
OUTSIDE PLAY	30 MINUTES
SNACK	15 MINUTES
TABLE ACTIVITY - WATER POLLUTION EXPERIMENT	15 MINUTES
CENTER PLAY	15 MINUTES

STORY TIME	10 MINUTES
CIRCLE TIME - PICK UP	15 MINUTES

## DAY 4

ARRIVAL ACTIVITY - LITTER PATROL	20 MINUTES
CIRCLE TIME	15 MINUTES
THEMED ACTIVITY - TRASH TOSS GAME	20 MINUTES
BATHROOM BREAK	15 MINUTES
OUTSIDE PLAY	30 MINUTES
SNACK	15 MINUTES
TABLE ACTIVITY - RECYCLED WATERCOLOR FLOWERS	15 MINUTES
CENTER PLAY	30 MINUTES
STORY TIME	10 MINUTES
CIRCLE TIME - PICK UP	15 MINUTES

## DAY 5

ARRIVAL ACTIVITY - REUSE	20 MINUTES
CIRCLE TIME	15 MINUTES
THEMED ACTIVITY - RECYCLED RAINBOWS	20 MINUTES
BATHROOM BREAK	15 MINUTES
OUTSIDE PLAY	30 MINUTES
SNACK	15 MINUTES
TABLE ACTIVITY - RECYCLED PUZZLES	15 MINUTES
CENTER PLAY	30 MINUTES
STORY TIME	10 MINUTES
CIRCLE TIME - PICK UP	15 MINUTES

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# MATERIALS LIST

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- Glue
- Variety of clean recycled containers
- Paint
- Paintbrushes
- Pointer
- Flag
- Calendar
- Weather chart
- Game spinner with numbers
- Plastic cup for each player labeled “trash”
- Items to represent trash (pompoms, cotton balls, crumpled up paper)
- Seeds
- Bags of potting soil
- Plastic cups
- Decorated containers from arrival time
- Small shovel
- Journals
- Large blocks
- Variety of toy trucks
- Reused cardboard tubes
- Circles of different colors and sized cut from cardstock
- Paper plates
- Variety of reused objects (cardboard tubes, spools, plastic water bottles, bottle caps)
- Plastic water bottles with caps
- String
- Fun foam stickers
- Outdoor/Gross motor equipment
- Chalk
- Plastic toy animals
- Green and blue construction paper
- Small paper plates
- Variety of green and blue art materials (shredded paper, dot markers, scraps of yarn, squares of tissue paper)
- Egg cartons cut in sections of three
- Cardstock cut out in wing shape
- Glue sticks
- Chenille stems
- Two clear plastic bins
- Trash (clean, safe)
- Coffee grounds
- Vegetable oil
- Colander
- Coffee filter
- Tongs
- Pie pans
- Unscented shaving cream
- Food coloring
- Newspaper
- Watercolor paints
- Recycling bins
- Bin labels
- Paper, plastic, and metal trash
- Painted newspaper from arrival activity
- Pencils
- Cardboard circle templates in a variety of sizes
- Buttons
- Scissors
- Shredded paper
- Recycling bins labeled: Plastic, Aluminum, and Paper
- Cardboard pieces cut into shapes and holes punched out around the edges
- Hole punch
- Variety of colors of scraps leftover from previous art projects (paper, gems, yarn, bottle caps, buttons)
- Large construction paper
- Aluminum foil ball
- Plastic gallon milk jugs with bottoms cut off, handles intact
- Boxes with environmental print, cut apart to make simple puzzles, and put in plastic bags

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# DAY 1 – CLEAN UP THE EARTH

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## ACTIVITY/CONCENTRATION

### ARRIVAL ACTIVITY - GROW GARDENS

Provide a variety of clean, recycled containers that children can decorate and use as planters. Let the children pick one and decorate it with paint. Let the craft dry for a later activity.



## DURATION/SCHEDULE

20 minutes – 9 to 9:20 a.m.



## MATERIALS

- Variety of clean recycled containers
- Paint
- Paintbrushes



## LEARNER MODIFICATIONS



## GOALS/OBJECTIVES

- Practice eye-hand coordination
- Use materials to represent new concepts



## STANDARDS

- AL.3 PK.C
- 10.5 PK.C



## ACTIVITY/CONCENTRATION

### CIRCLE TIME

- Attendance
- Weather
- Calendar
- Flag
- Discussion:
  - What planet do we live on? *We live on planet earth.* (Show a globe or picture of earth.)
  - What are ways we can hurt the earth?
  - What are ways we can help the earth?



## DURATION/SCHEDULE

15 minutes – 9:20 to 9:35 a.m.



## MATERIALS

- Pointer
- Flag
- Calendar
- Weather chart
- Globe or picture of earth