



Across the Curriculum

Innovative & Interactive Infinity Acres Field Trip

GRADE 4 LESSON PLAN

CLASSROOM: PRE-TOUR ACTIVITIES: Watch Infinity Acres Ranch Video at : www.InfinityAcres.org; Explore variety of opportunities in the animal and farming fields. Design graphs of various ways to group animals (4 legged, feathers, cold blooded etc)

TIME	ACTIVITY	SOL
10:00 - 10:30 Introduction Rules Animal Guidelines	Introductions Teach the "3-R's of the Ranch Respect, Responsibility, & Recreation Discuss importance of Animals and available resources	English: 4.1 (engage in a range of collaboration discussions)
10:30 - 11:30 Adaptations Color/Texture Body Coverings Habitat Environment	Small Animal Interactive Activity Handling mammal and reptiles Discuss & take notes about observations, conclusions, and predictions. Group conversation about adaptations, life cycles etc	English: 4.2 (paraphrase portions of information in a variety of formats) Science: 4.L.1, 4.L.1.2, 4.L.1.3, 4.L.1.4 (understand effects of environmental and adaptive changes and behaviors that help animals survive)
11:30 - 12:10	Lunch/B'day/Magic	
12:10 - 1:00 Animal Handling & Husbandry Skills	Large Animal Interactive Activity *walk a llama *brush horse Q&A about camelids Measure animal exhibits Estimate animal weights	English: 4.1 (engage in a range of collaboration discussions) 4.4 (report on a topic or text) Math: 4.MD.2 (solve word problems that involve estimating & measuring wts) 4.MD.3 (measure distances and areas)

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