

Science Summer Toolbox Lessons: Living Things

Overview: Provide children with the opportunity to care for a small pet or insect such as a fish, turtle, caterpillar, ladybug, etc. By doing this activity, children explore the science of what living things need to survive. They will also learn about responsibility, empathy and routines.

Storybook Activity

Materials needed: White paper or construction paper stapler Writing and drawing utensils, crayons, markers, paint, etc. Glue

Have your child create a storybook about an animal or insect that they like or have seen in the neighborhood or that you have talked about with him or her before.

Some questions to ask include: What animal are you going to make your book about? Why? Does the animal have the same body parts as you? Tell me something that you know about the animal.

Modification for Children with Disabilities: Children can use pre-printed pictures or cut-outs from magazines to sort and create his or her storybook. Guide your child with prompts to place them in a sequential order.