

Spring 2	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Topic	The Natural	Plants.	Plants	Plants	Living things and	Changes of	Living things and
	world	Changes			their nabitats.	Materials	their haditats.
Skills	Explore the	Observe changes	Observe and	Identify and	Recognise that	Know that some	Describe how living
	natural world	across the 4	describe how	describe the	living things can	materials will	things are classified
	around them,	seasons.	seeds and bulbs	functions of	be grouped in a	dissolve in liquid	into broad groups
	making	Observe and	grow into mature	different parts of	variety of ways.	to form a solution	according to
	observations and	describe weather	plants.	flowering plants:	Explore and use	and describe how	common observable
	drawing pictures	associated with	Find out and	roots,	classification	to recover a	characteristics and
	of animals and	the seasons and	describe how	stem/trunk,	keys to help	substance from a	based on
	plants.	how day length	plants need	leaves and	group, identify	solution.	similarities and
	Know some	varies.	water, light and a	flowers.	and name a	Use knowledge of	differences,
	similarities and	Identify and	suitable	Explore the	variety of living	solids, liquids and	including micro-
	differences	name a variety of	temperature to	requirements of	things in their	gases to decide	organisms, plants,
	between the	common wild	grow and stay	plants for life and	local and wider	how mixtures	and animals.
	natural world	and garden	healthy.	growth (air, light,	environment.	might be	Give reasons for
	around them and	plants, including	Ask simple	water, nutrients	Recognise that	separated,	classifying plants
	contrasting	deciduous and	questions and	from soil, and	environments	including through	and animals based
	environments,	evergreen trees.	recognise that	room to grow)	can change and	filtering, sieving	on specific
	drawing on their	Identify and	they can be	and how they	that this can	and evaporating.	characteristics.
	experiences and	describe the basic	answered in	vary from plant	sometimes pose	Demonstrate that	Plan different types
	what has been	structure of a	different ways.	to plant.	dangers to living	dissolving, mixing	of scientific
	read in class.	variety of	Observe closely,	Investigate the	things.	and changes of	enquires to answer
	Understand some	common	using simple	way in which	Ask relevant	state are reversible	questions.
	important	flowering plants,	equipment.	water is	questions.	changes.	Take measurements
	processes and	including trees.	Perform simple	transported	Set up simple	Explain that some	using a range of
	changes in the	Observe closely,	tests.	within plants.	practical enquires	changes result in	scientific
	natural world	using simple	Identify and	Explore the part	and fair tests.	the formation of	equipment.
	around them,	equipment.	classify.	that flowers play	Make careful	new materials, and	Record data and
	including the	Perform simple	Use their	in the life cycle of	observations and	that this kind of	results of
	seasons and	tests.	observations and	tlowering plants,	take	change is not	increasingly
	changing states	Identify and	ideas to suggest	including	measurements.	usually reversible,	complexity using
	ot matter.	classify.	answers to	pollination, seed	Gather, record,	including changes	scientific diagrams
		Use their	questions.	tormation and	classify and	associated with	and labels,
		observations and		seed dispersal.	present data.	burning and the	classification keys,



ideas answ quest Gathe	to suggest ers to tions.Gather and record data help in ans questions.	d Ask relevant a to questions. swering Set up simple practical	Record findings. Report on findings from enquires.	action of acid on bicarbonate of soda. Plan different trace of acientific	tables, scatter graphs, ling graphs and bar graphs. Use test results to make predictions
recor help i quest	d data to in answering ions.	enquires and fair tests. Make careful observations and take measurements. Gather, record, classify and present data. Record findings. Report on findings from enquires. Use results to draw simple conclusions. Identify differences, similarities, or changes. Use straightforward scientific	Use results to draw simple conclusions. Identify differences, similarities, or changes. Use straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions.	types of scientific enquires to answer questions. Take measurements using a range of scientific equipment. Record data and results of increasingly complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, ling graphs and bar graphs. Use test results to make predictions. Report and present findings from enquiries	make predictions. Report and present findings from enquiries. Identify scientific evidence.
		evidence to answer questions.		Identify scientific evidence.	



Key Content	Observe seasonal changes throughout the year. See the differences between a solid, liquid and gas. Observe and draw what they can see in nature.	Seasonal observations. Weather associated with the season. Deciduous and evergreen trees. Common wild and garden plants. Structure of common flowering plants and trees.	Observe a seed grow and the changes it goes through. Find out what a plant needs to survive and grow. Understand the importance of water, light and temperature for a growing plant.	Understand the terminology: Root, stem, trunk, leaf, flower. Describe the different functions of the parts of a plant. Investigate the needs of a plant for light and growth. Investigate how seeds are dispersed from a plant. Investigate how water travels around a plant.	Group living things based on their characteristics. Read a classification key. Create a classification key. Understand how environmental changes can have a big impact on the animals living in the habitat.	Understand what happens when a material dissolves. Understand how to bring the material back after being dissolved. Explore how to filter, sieve and evaporate a solution to separate the different materials in it.	Classify animals and plants based on characteristics. Understand the term: micro- organism, vertebrate and invertebrate. Group animals and plants based on characteristics.
Suggested Outcomes	Observe each of the seasons and see what they notice. Observe the difference in states of matter. Observational drawings which they can talk about.	Grow a plant. Nature walks observing trees and plants. Label a plant and a tree. Name plants and trees. Draw diagrams of plants and trees. Observe seasonal changes outside and associated weather.	Grow a seed and observe the changes it goes through over time. Test plants with different variables, such as water and light, and find out the best conditions to grow a plant in.	Label a plant. Label a tree. Describe the function of each parts of these. Test plants with different variables such as room to grow and nutrient rich soils. Describe what a plant needs for survival and growth. Research how a plant spreads its seeds.	Create classification keys for different sets of animals. Group animals based on own observations and scientific groups. Research environmental impacts on environments.	Dissolve materials and make observations. Change a material back after it has been dissolved and make observations. Filter, sieve and evaporate materials from a solution.	Classify plants and animals based on specific characteristics. Explain why I have chosen to group them that way. Research different micro-organisms, vertebrates and invertebrates.

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Subject Specific Vocabulary	Explore, Observation, Similarity, Difference, Ask, Process, Change.	Ask, Question, Observe, Equipment, Test, Identify, Classify, Observation, Data, Compare.	Ask, Question, Observe, Equipment, Test, Identify, Classify, Observation, Data, Suitability, Compare.	Compare, Group, Ask, Enquiry, Fair, Test, Observations, Measurements, Gather, Record, Classify, Present, Findings, Conclusions, Differences, Similarities, Changes, Scientific evidence.	Compare, Group, Ask, Enquiry, Fair, Test, Observations, Measurements, Gather, Record, Classify, Present, Findings, Conclusions, Differences, Similarities, Changes, Scientific evidence.	Enquiry, Questions, Measurements, Scientific equipment, Record, Data, Diagrams, Labels, Classification keys, Tables, Scatter graphs, Ling graphs, Bar graphs, Bar graphs, Predictions, Report, Present, Findings, Identify, Scientific evidence.	Enquiry, Questions, Measurements, Scientific equipment, Record, Data, Diagrams, Labels, Classification keys, Tables, Scatter graphs, Ling graphs, Bar graphs, Predictions, Report, Present, Findings, Identify,
Topic Specific Vocabulary	Seasons, Natural World, States of Matter, Animals, Plants, Environment.	Deciduous, Evergreen, Plant, Tree, Garden, Wild, Leaves, Flowers, Blossom, Petals, Fruit, Roots, Bulb, Seed, Trunk, Branches, Stem, Spring, Summer, Sun.	Seed, Bulb, Plant, Water, Temperature, Light, Grow, Healthy.	Flowering, Plant, Tree, Root, Stem, Trunk, Leaf, Flower, Life, Growth, Air, Light, Water, Nutrients, Soil. Pollination, Seed formation, Seed dispersal.	Classification key, Local environment, Wider environment, Dangers.	Dissolve, Liquid, Substance, Solution, Filtering, Sieving.	Micro-organism, Plant, Animal, Invertebrate, Vertebrate, Classification.
Challenge	Can you explain what each season looks like? What is a solid like? What is a liquid like? What is a gas like? What can you observe outside?	What is the difference between a deciduous and evergreen tree? How does the stem help the plant? What changes do you notice in the weather between	Can you explain why plants need certain conditions? Can you explain the sequence of germination? Can you explain the perfect conditions for growing plants?	Can you explain how the function of the roots affect the life of the plant? Can you explain how the Anther and Style help reproduction? Can you explain how flowers	Can you explain how biodiverse a habitat of your choice is? Can you find out how scientists classify animals? Can you explain how a warm- blooded animal	Can you explain how a separation method works and evaluate the process? Can you explain what factors affect a chemical change? Can you identify when a chemical	Can you explain how living things are classified by designing your own chart and comparing their size? Can you explain why certain species prefer a soil habitat?



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	this term and	compete for	maintains its	change is	Can you explain
	last?	pollinators?	temperature?	justify your	classified into
				answer?	certain groups?