| Component: | Fun Friday |
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| Grade Level: | K-5 Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Building a Green Town |
| Focus: | Team Work and Cooperation |

## Materials:

This activity will be done as a class. All materials reflect per class.

Cleaned Milk Cartons (at least 15 per class)
4 poster boards
Popsicle Sticks
Paper Plates
Large Styrofoam Cups
Tape

Construction Paper (Scraps, full pages)
Pipe Cleaners
Tongue Depressors
Small Dixie Cups
Markers
Scissors

## Opening and Directions

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## Preview of Activities

Students will build a town that runs off green energy. What key buildings do towns have? What do the people do there?

- Electing Leaders: Voting for leaders on the project.
- Brainstorm: Students will brainstorm and agree on ideas for the town.
- Construction: Let the building begin.


## Activity Set Up

See below in Construction

## Activities

## Electing Leaders - The Roles of Each Leader

The town must be built Green. It must be earth friendly. These will be the jobs.

- Project Leader: They will be the lead of the entire project. Students will vote who will do this job. They will be responsible to keep in contact with group Leaders. They will be holding the voting session.
- Group Leaders: Students will be broken up into committees and students will vote for the leaders of these committees. They will need to be in contact with the Suppliers and the Time Keepers as well as the Project Leader.
- Suppliers: In each committee there will be the supplier who makes sure that they have all supplies. They will be in charge of their group supply budget. Group will need to vote.
- Time Keeper: There will be a time keeper for each committee as well, that way time is never wasted. Students will also choose who will do this job by voting.
- Activity Leads: Everyone else. They will be the people getting things done. They need to keep in contact with the Committee Leaders.
When voting, it is important that it is done in a way that does not promote student conflict. Making them


## Instructions:

Have students vote on each of the leadership positions. It can be done in an unanimous style. It can also be done through election and voting. It is important that this process take no longer than 10 minutes. Giving students more time during the construction phase is best. This way they have more time to interact and work with one another.

## *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

Encourage all youth to participate in this activity.

## Brainstorming

There will be 4 different groups in construction minus the leadership group:

* Transportations: (cars, planes, trains, roads, freeways)
* Housing/Utilities: (homes, apartments, hotels, motels, power source, water source)
* Buildings: (hospitals, police stations, fire department, banks, schools, gas stations, grocery stores)
* Entertainment: (movie theatres, malls, arcades, down town shops)

These are just examples. They are not requirements. Each group will have a supply budget.

## Instructions

Students will choose a work group under the categories created. Groups should be even.
Once they have selected their groups, they will begin to brainstorm how they will create certain items that must be present in their green town. Give them appropriately 15 minutes to discuss as a small group. After the 15 minutes, they will come together as a large group and discuss the entire town and how each group will contribute to the town. This should all be student lead.

## *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

* If you are working with a younger age group, it make be beneficial if the tutor steps in occasionally to help move the process forward. Giving students hits and help along the way will help them reach their ultimate goal of successfully working together and creating an end result.
*Guide the brainstorm so that they know they have to live here. Laws of Physic do apply.


## Construction

## Instructions

Have supply store set up. One student from each group will come to the store and purchase the supplies. Only one student at the store at a time. They can visit the store as often as they would like. The construction process can take up to 45 minutes to 1 hour.

## Instructions

Students will begin to create their town. Monitor student activity when they are not at the supply store. Guide youth leaders and take advantage of teaching moments.

## *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

Knowing your strengths and talents is am important factor when working in a group. If everyone takes that time to truly understand someone, any obstacle came be overcome and any goal can be met.

## Budget (Example):

K-1: \$172 (\$43.00/group) 2-3: \$1,720 (\$430.00/group) 4-5: $\$ 17,200$ ( $\$ 4,300.00 /$ group) $6: \$ 172,000$ ( $43,000 /$ group) Pricing (Example):

| Pricing | K -1 | $2-3$ | $4-5$ | 6 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pipe Cleaners | $\$ 1$ | $\$ 10$ | $\$ 100$ | $\$ 1,000$ |
| Tongue Depressors | $\$ 3$ | $\$ 30$ | $\$ 300$ | $\$ 3,000$ |
| Popsicle Sticks | $\$ 5$ | $\$ 50$ | $\$ 500$ | $\$ 5,000$ |
| Small Dixie Cups | $\$ 2.50$ | $\$ 25$ | $\$ 250$ | $\$ 2,500$ |


| Paper Plates | $\$ 6$ | $\$ 60$ | $\$ 600$ | $\$ 6,000$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Large Styrofoam Cups | $\$ 8$ | $\$ 80$ | $\$ 800$ | $\$ 8,000$ |
| Construction Paper | $\$ 10$ | $\$ 100$ | $\$ 1,000$ | $\$ 10,000$ |
| Scrap Paper | Free | Free | Free | Free |
| Milk Cartoon | $\$ 7.50$ | $\$ 75$ | $\$ 750$ | $\$ 7,500$ |

## Closing

## Clean up

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Breaking the barriers in your mind to create a world all your own. Well, that is with your groups help. It is always challenging to agree on key ideas, since so many people have wonderful ideas. Finding a balance where everyone is happy is the end result of this activity.

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| Grade Level: | K-5 Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Collage V |
| Focus: | Team Work, Fun |

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Materials:
    A Rope
    30 blind folds (depending on site size)
    Whistle
    24 Large pieces of newspaper
    Masking Tape
    One Square of paper per student
    Traffic Jam Key
    1 ream of card stock
    Makers, crayons or colored pencils
    2-3 "koosh" or "nerf" balls
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## Activity Set Up

See below in Construction

## Activities

## Personality Portraits

| Material: | Card Stock Paper |
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|  | Markers or Colored Pencils |

Directions:

1. Each student will receive a of card stock paper.
2. Have students draw a portrait of them. The catch is that they must draw themselves using the things they like. For example, if they like spaghetti they can draw spaghetti as their hair or dollar signs for their eyes, or a book for a body because they like to read, etc.
3. Have them share their pictures, discussing why they chose the object that they did and what they represent.

## *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

Encourage youth to fully participate in these Fun Friday activities.

Form A ${ }^{2}$
Materials:
A rope (about 50 feet)
Blindfolds (or bandanas) for each student
Directions:

1. Have students line up in a straight line.
2. Have them put on their blindfolds (Note: At this point you must start watching
for participant safety—have several "on-lookers" in the room for this exercise.)
3. Starting at one end, string the rope through their hands. Ask them to grip the rope lightly and not to pull on the rope for any reason-HOLD IT.
4. Give them the following instructions: "Your task during the next 10 minutes is to form yourselves into a perfect square-with equal sides and 90 degree angles. You must keep both hands on the rope at all times. The success of the group is based on the accuracy of your square."
5. After 10 minutes, if they have not already formed a square, ask the group to pick one leader and no one else can talk. Give them more time. If they do not form a square after a few extra minutes, have them remove the blindfolds.
6. When the group completes the task, have them remove the blindfolds.
7. Lead the students through the following reflection: At the beginning, what one word would you use to describe how you felt? What did you learn about communication when dealing with s difficult challenge? How can you apply this to our club? Ask each student, "What is one thing you would have done differently next time?"

## Alligators and Frogs

| Materials: | Whistle |
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|  | A dozen paper grocery bags or pieces of newspaper |

## Directions:

Clear the chairs from the room (or go outside) and explain that the floor is now a pond. Explain the directions. All participants are frogs, and you are an alligator. Spread the dozen bags or paper randomly on the floor. These are the lily pads. The goal of the alligator is to eat the frogs: the goal if the frogs are to escape being eaten.

## Rules

* When the alligator is "snoring: indicated by the alligator blowing the whistle softly, the frogs must swim around the pond. They cannot land on the lily pads.
* The alligator, while snoring, also moves around the room, removing a few lily pads.
* When the alligator wakes up and the noise stops, the frogs must hop onto a lily pad before the crocodile "eats: them, signified by tagging them on the shoulder.
* More than one frog can stand on a single lily pad. Frogs may have one foot on the lily pad and the other foot in the air, but no part of them can be touching the "water."
* Slowly remove the piece of paper, so that the group has to cooperate to survive on the few pieces of paper that remains.
* Ask the group what made it possible to not be "eaten." Ask for examples of solidarity in real life.*


## *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

* Making connections into real events and situations is important. Spend some time in this discussion.


## Stand Up

Materials: None
Directions:

1. Players sit on the ground back to back with a partner, and link both elbows. The goal is to stand up together, without outside help of any kind. Players should keep both feet flat on the floor and hands may NOT touch the floor. His is a game of cooperation, as one partner cannot succeed without the other.

## *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

Help youth build relationships through cooperation.
2. When partners achieve their goals they may try again to beat their own time or try again with a new partner.3. After individual sets of partners have succeeded, try it as a group: Form 2 lines of players sitting back to back. This time, link elbows with the person next to you, not behind you. Only the players on both ends of both lines will link elbows with the person behind them. The entire group attempts to stand up together. This is very difficult, and there will probably be more laughing than standing, but it CAN be done.

## Traffic Jam

## Materials:

Masking Tape // One square of paper per student // Traffic Jam Key (Created)
Directions:

1. In a straight line on the floor, tape down enough squares for everyone in your group plus one additional square. Split the group in half and place the extra square in the middle. Have both sub-groups face the empty middle square before you begin reading the instructions (It is recommended that you split a group of sixteen or more into two groups and simultaneously solve the problem.)
2. Give the following instructions to the students: Your goal is to have each group occupy the squares at the opposite end of the line. There will be four no-breaking rules.

Individuals may only move in the direction they are currently facing. At no time may they turn around or go backwards.
A student may step forward only if there is an empty square directly in from of him or her.
A student may step around a single person if and only if, the non-moving person is facing the opposite direction and there is an empty square directly behind the non-moving person.
Only one person can move at a time.
3. During the activity, you may need to give the following hints to ensure success:

Can you come up with some ways that can help you stay within the rules?
(Not letting two people from the same side by side until they are stepping into their home base.
Is there a way to restructure the activity without changing the problem that allows for participation from the group? (Horse-shoe shape)
Have you thought about building a model? (Group could use coins to experiment)

## *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

Work on developing team work.

## Pattern Ball

Materials:
2-3 "koosh" or "nerf" balls

## *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

Work on developing team work.

Directions:

1. Ask the group to stand in a circle with about a foot of space between people.
2. Give the rules: Everyone raises one hand

Rules

* The program leader will throw the ball to someone, who will then throw it to someone else.
* The person throwing should call out the name (and adjective) of the person
s/he is about to throw it to. This person should not be next to him/her and should still have a hand raised.
* Once you have caught and thrown the ball, lower your hand.
* Remember who threw it to you, and to whom you threw it. You will be repeating the pattern after it is established.

3. When the last person has caught the ball, the pattern has been established. Practice the pattern a few times, until it goes smoothly, continuing to use each other's names. You may remind people to keep an eye on the person who throw it to them. Add in additional balls, until the group has three or four balls in the air.

| Closing |
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| Component: | Fun Friday |
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| Grade Level: | K-5 Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Fear Factor I |
| Focus: | Team Building, Fun |

## Materials:

Please see below in each activity. Activities vary between physical task as well as task including food. One food requires being cooked prior. A volunteer would be needed for this. Please make sure that all allergies are known.

## Opening

Now that students have received a snack and are chilling out, it's time to revel an AWESOME FUN FRIDAY! Getting the students excited will set the tone for the day and help them remain engaged. The Special Fun Friday is "Fear Factor." Teams will compete to complete tasks that are physical as well as tasks including food.

| Activities |  |
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| Piecing It Together |  |
| Activity Set Up / Materials <br> 1 Puzzle* per Student <br> *It is recommended that the puzzle fit the grade level as well as the assistance on completing the puzzle. 1st grade should have 1 student complete a simple puzzle, a 2nd / 3rd / 4th / 5th grade representative have 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 students complete a moderate / challenging / difficult. (Anything over 100 pieces would be too much for this activity) |  |
| Instructions: <br> 1. Each class will send up one student to represent them. <br> 2. The students will complete to see who can build their puzzle the fastest. <br> 3. Students will cheer on their teams. | *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout <br> Encourage teams to figure out how to get everyone involved. |
| Veggie Voyage |  |
| Activity Set Up / Materials |  |
| Instructions <br> 1. Each class will send up two students to represent them. <br> 2. The students will be complete to make the basket so they can avoid the veggie voyage concoction <br> 3. If they make the basket they get points for their team. If they don't make it but finish their drink they get half points. <br> 4. Students will cheer on their teams. | *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable <br> Encourage teams to figure out how to get everyone involved. |

Baked Hot Cheetos and Pickles

## Activity Set Up / Materials

1 bowl per student
1 Jar of Slices Pickles

## Instructions

1. Each class will send up one student to represent them.
2. The students will be complete to finish their bowl of baked Hot Cheetos and pickles.
3. If they make finish their bowl, they get points for their team.
4. Students will cheer on their teams.

1 large bag of baked Hot Cheetos

- Mix ingredients in the bowl for each student to eat.
*Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

Encourage teams to figure out how to get everyone involved.
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## Activity Set Up / Materials

| 6 blind folds | 18 lbs of cheap dog food |
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| 1 Blue Bucket | pint of water |
| Scraps of cloth, preferably black | 1 pair of gloves per student |

- Mix Ingredients and Cloth in the Bucket


## Instructions

1. Each class will send up one student to represent them.
2. The students will be complete to find as many strips of cloth in the bucket.
3. Each team will get one minute to search while blindfolded and wearing gloves.
4. Students will cheer on their teams.

## *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

Encourage teams to figure out how to get everyone involved.

## The Jump Rope Challenge

## Activity Set Up / Materials

1 Jump Rope per Student

| Instructions |
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| $1 . \quad$ Each class will send |$\quad$| Activity $\rightarrow$Teachable Moment(s) <br> throughout |
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1. Each class will send up one student to represent them.
2. The students will be complete to see who can jump rope the longest without messing up. If a student messes up in the first 15 seconds they get a retry.
3. The teams that make it past the 4 minute time limit wins.
4. Students will cheer on their teams.

## Noodle Chain

## Activity Set Up / Materials

| 3 spaghetti packs | 1 bag of sugar |
| :--- | ---: |
| 1 bag of flour | 12 brown bags |
| Food coloring |  |
| Make a syrup using sugar, flour and water; mix with the cooked spaghetti noodles. |  |

## Instructions

1. Each class will send up two students to represent them.
2. The students will be complete to see who can transfer all of their spaghetti from one bag to the other.
3. The team that has the most spaghetti in their bag wins. Even if a team finishes

## *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

Encourage teams to figure out how to get everyone involved.

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first, other bags will be checked for greater amount.
4. Students will cheer on their teams.

## Closing

## Clean up

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## Debrief

Now that students are all back together, it is time for the most important part of the day. A very good debrief to do for a large activity like this is D.I.G.A.

- Describe: Have students share out about what they did during the Warfare Games. Did they like being in their
- Interpret: Ask if they have had any key learning while playing outside. Ask what skills they learned or had to use in order to participate in the games and activities they are playing. How did they feel when participating in the games and activities?
- Generalize: How can you use the skills or your key learning tomorrow at your program?
- Apply: How can you use the skills or your key learning in your future?

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| Grade Level: | K-5 Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Wizards and Fairies |
| Focus: | Team Work, Cooperation |

## Materials:

## QUANTITY OF MATERIALS DEPENDS ON THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS

Wands

Dowels per student
Markers
Feathers
Scissors
Wings
Railroad Board per student
Glitter
Scissors
Whole punch
Potions
8 - 10 oz plastic cup per student (preferably clear)
Liquid measuring cups

## Wizard Hats

Construction Paper
Scissors

## Floral Crowns

## Fake Flowers

Ribbons
Assorted Colors Rhinestone
Glue
Optional: Metallic color puff paint

Tissue Paper
Glue / Glue Sticks
Yarn

Assortment of Juices and carbonated water
Permanent Marker

Glue

Floral Tape

The amount of station depends on the amount of students. Example: Program 1-100 students divided by 7 available staff members $=$ about 14 students per station. Program $2-220$ students divided by 10 available staff member $=$ about 22 students per station.

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## Activity Set Up

Each Activity will need certain items. Have volunteers or student leaders pass out materials and set up each station.

1. Have materials laid out for students, refilling during transitions.
2. Spend a few minutes at the beginning of each rotation to go over the expectations and the clean up process.
3. Have towels and mop available for any spills.

## Activities

## Wands

What type of wand do you need? Do you need a steady wooden wand or a shiny magical wand? What is your wands name? What is it made out of? Does it have a special trick?

## Instructions:

## ${ }^{*}$ Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

Listen for the moment in which student learning can be shared.

## Wings

## Intro to:

Fairies are thought by a majority of people to have wings and be able to fly.

## Instructions

Students will draw their pair of wings on the railroad board. Assist younger student in their process. An easy way to make the wings the same size is the fold the railroad in half and draws one of the wings. Cut the wing out and trace it on the other half of the railroad board. Cut of the other wing. Have students decorate their wings.
To tie wing to arm, punch two holes in each wing, where the wings meet the back. Tie the yarn through the holes and around the top of their arm. You can braid the yarn before tying it to give more strength as well as make it less irritating around the arm and armpit.


## ${ }^{*}$ Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

Not all youth will want to participate in all activities. However, be careful that you don't make a decision about who should do what.

## Potions

Students will create their own potion adding certain ingredients. What will they call their potion? What ability does it have? Is it bitter? Is it sweet? Is it a rare or common potion? How do you use it?

## Instructions

Students will take turns adding "ingredients" to their potion. Students will measure the amounts and add it to their cup.
Have them write the name of their potion on the side of their cup.
Keep a mop and towel handy.

## ${ }^{*}$ Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

Encourage full participation.

Students can share their potions with other students and share out about what their potion does.

## Wizard Hats

Students will create their own wizard hat. It can incorporate their favorite color, their school logo, their own logo/crest.

## Instructions

Have students pick out a base color for their hats. Help them measure their cranium so that you can get a good fit and staple the ends together. They can make it pointed or flat. They can add more detail to the hat.

## *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

This is especially fun for older youth.

## Floral Crowns

Pre cut flowers to have stems. Keep additional stems to be able to wrap around the crown of the students head, bonding them together with floral tape.

## Instructions

Students will weave the flower and stems into a crown. Student will use the floral tape to bond them together so that they fit comfortably around the students head. Assist younger students in this process.

## *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable Moment(s) throughout

Encourage youth to participate.

## Closing

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