

Four Season Art & Science Project

1. Read the books:

Max and Maggie in Spring by Janet Craig

ISBN 0-8167-3351-1

Make and fly paper bag kites outside.

Max and Maggie in Summer by Janet Craig

ISBN 0-8167-3353-8

Play beach ball games in the gym to Beach Boy music.

Max and Maggie in Autumn by Janet Craig

ISBN 0-8167-3349-X

Using red, orange, yellow, brown crayons make a crayon picture of fall trees changing colour.

Have students use blue paint to wash over the picture. Hang on the bulletin board!

Max and Maggie in Winter by Janet Craig

ISBN 0-8167-3355-4

Bring sleds and go sliding in the snow! Teach the class how to cut tiny round paper snowflakes.

Make a paper snowman. Glue the snowman and snowflakes on blue construction paper with snow made from cotton balls.

For the Project:

Have students use the tree and mouse tracers found on the last page of this project to create a spring, summer, fall, and winter scene which depicts how trees, weather, activities, and people's clothing change. For the written portion of the project have student answer the seasonal questions in complete sentences. Seasonal questions are found on the following two pages.

Overhead transparencies can be made of the seasonal questions.

Spring

1. Tell it is spring.
2. Tell what people wear in spring.
3. Tell what trees look like in spring.
4. Tell how the earth tilts during spring.
5. Tell what the ground looks like in spring.
6. Tell why you like spring.

Summer

1. Tell it is summer.
2. Tell what people wear in summer.
3. Tell what trees look like in summer.
4. Tell how the earth tilts during summer.
5. Tell what the ground looks like in summer.
6. Tell why you like summer.

Autumn

1. Tell it is autumn.
2. Tell what people wear in autumn.
3. Tell what trees look like in autumn.
4. Tell how the earth tilts during autumn.
5. Tell what the ground looks like in autumn.
6. Tell why you like autumn.

Winter

1. Tell it is winter.
2. Tell what people wear in winter.
3. Tell what trees look like in winter.
4. Tell how the earth tilts during winter.
5. Tell what the ground looks like in winter.
6. Tell why you like winter.