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FOREWORD

This publication, giving the basic course of study and learning activities in history and the social sciences for this grade, is a preliminary bulletin. At the discretion of the assistant superintendent in charge of each school district, it may be designated as the course of study for the district, beginning in September, 1967. In districts continuing with the present course of study, the assistant superintendent may select schools to use this bulletin on an experimental basis. In either case, schools in which this publication is used are requested to send completed copies of the feedback sheets enclosed herein to the district superintendent and to the Office of Curriculum. These reports will guide the curriculum staff in the preparation of definitive courses of study and learning materials.

This bulletin is one of a series designed to provide students at all grade levels — from the prekindergarten through the twelfth year — with a revitalized curriculum in history and the social sciences. Unlike earlier revisions in this field, the new courses of study involve much more than the updating and reshifting of content. As is indicated in greater detail in the Introduction, the new curriculum attempts to incorporate into an effective instructional program the cumulative experience of leading historians, social scientists, and educators. It thus represents a thoroughgoing effort at educational reform and renewal.

The new curriculum, moreover, reflects the complexity and difficulty of the problems confronting contemporary society. The momentous changes which are taking place today make it essential that our pupils be trained todeal with new facts and conditions. Students must learn to cope with rapid technological change and increased urbanization. They must develop an awareness of ways of living which may be different from their own. They must also be strengthened with democratic values and the finest ideals of American life. In short, cur students must be provided with the knowledge, understanding, and tools needed to meet the challenges of an uncharted future.

No less relevant to the implementation of the new course of study is the explosion of knowledge which characterizes current scholarship in history and the social sciences. These disciplines now offer rich resources of pertinent wisdom concerning man and his society. At the same time, they provide our students with methods of problem-solving that will help them to use key understandings in adapting to modern cultural, social, and scientific developments. The ultimate goal of the new program is to enable our students to think critically about the crucial problems of our time — to grow in insight, to weigh issues, and to evaluate alternative modes of action. To achieve this goal, the curriculum emphasizes conceptual learning, creative teaching, and the continuous reinforcement of basic skills and understandings.

The new courses of study require a variety of pupil materials and an in-service program of teacher retraining. In June 1966, all publishers and producers serving our schools were invited to join with us in the preparation of new and stimulating collections of learning materials. Several meetings have been held since that time to keep publishers informed of our progress. To aid in the training of teachers, the Bureau of History and the Social Sciences has prepared a series of television programs which was used in the Spring of 1967 in conjunction with an in-service program of district workshops. During the same period, several citywide meetings were held to facilitate implementation. Similar activities are planned for the future.

Implementation of the new curriculum will vary from district to district, both in the extent of application and in the depth to which the suggestions are used. Individual schools and teachers will make adaptations in the materials to meet special needs. As in the past, teachers and supervisors will subject the new materials to careful analysis and tryout before a final assessment is made. It is hoped that this bulletin will challenge all teachers and students to engage in an unending process of discovery and learning in history and the social sciences.

Helene M. Lloyd Acting Deputy Superintendent



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DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROGRAM

The curriculum revision program in history and the social sciences was planned and initiated by the late Joseph O. Loretan, Deputy Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction. Since July 1966, the program has been under the direct supervision and guidance of Helene M. Lloyd, Acting Deputy Superintendent of Curriculum.

Leonard W. Ingraham, Acting Director of the Bureau of History and the Social Sciences, has coordinated the program since its inception in 1962 and has served as director of the workshops engaged in the production of curriculum materials.

Overall suggestions and plans for the workshops, for pilot-school tryouts and evaluation, and for printing production were made by William H. Bristow, Assistant Superintendent, Bureau of Curriculum Development.

The course of study included in this bulletin is based upon pertinent sections of an earlier publication, <u>Proposals for a K-12 Curriculum in History and the Social Sciences: A Position Paper for Discussion and Review.</u> Issued in September 1964, this document provided guidelines for the revision program as well as a comprehensive description of what might be taught at each grade level. A citywide evaluation of this position paper resulted in a revised scope and sequence, but the basic philosophy of the program reamined unchanged.

FREPARATION AND EVALUATION OF MATERIALS

Two workshops composed of teachers and supervisors produced the basic materials that constitute the courses of study and learning activities for each grade level. The first met during the summer of 1965 to develop initial experimental curriculum materials for the kindergarten through grade ten. Its members were: Kindergarten: Ralph Brande, Ann Codraro, Mary Quintavalle; Grade One: Beatrice Mantell, Rose Risikoff, Helen Weissman; Grade Two: Iona Flamm, Raymond Greenstein, Elizabeth Vreeken; Grade Three: Jack Blocmfield, Deborah Goodwin; Grade Four: Irwin Price, Irving Siegel; Grade Five: Virginia Fitzpatrick, Martin Frey, Mary Strang; Grade Six: Henry Berkman. Aaron N. Slotkin; Grade Seven: Iula Bramwell, Albert Shapire, Harvey Seligman; Grade Eight: Samuel Arbital; Grade Nine: Aaron Braverman, Gene Satin; Grade Ten: Murray Meiselman, Irving Rosenman; Instructional Materials Specialists: Lowell Klein, Harold Marder, Kathryn Moses; Materials Consultants: Edna Bernstein, Dominick Canepa, Pierre Lehmuller, Urlah Roeschler, Edith Tillem.

The materials prepared during the Summer of 1965 were tested in 115 pilot schools during the 1965-66 school year. The evaluation process included visits to pilot schools, meetings with teachers and district curriculum committees, and a careful analysis of feedback. Then, during the spring and summer of 1966, several groups of teachers and supervisors met to prepare more definitive curriculum materials. Participants in the 1966 workshops were:

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During the 1966-67 school year, revised courses of study were tried out in approximately 300 pilot schools throughout the city. At the same time, the 1966 workshop reports were subjected to an intensive evaluation process involving groups of teachers, supervisors, curriculum assistants, district superintendents, parents, community leaders, subject specialists, and other special consultants. The Bureau of Audio-Visual Instruction and the Bureau of Library Services, under the direction of Edward G. Bernard and Helen Sattley respectively, provided bibliographies of audiovisual and library resources. Additional consultative services were given by staff members of the Human Relations Unit, the Bureau of Curriculum Development, and the Bureau of Early Childhood Education under the direction of Frederick H. Williams, William H. Bristow, and Rebecca A. Winton, Rureau directors, respectively.



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INTRODUCTION

Philosophy of the Program

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The curriculum revision program in history and the social sciences has been guided by several major considerations. These may be summarized as follows:

l. It emphasizes the teaching of concepts rather than the accumulation of data. The revision program has been predicated on the same theory of learning that inspired recent changes in the teaching of science and mathematics. Impetus for the program results from the conviction - held by many scholars and educators - that social studies is often inadequately taught. Much of the traditional content is at variance with current scholarship in history and the social sciences. Too often the subject is presented as a series of "facts" bearing little apparent relationship to the student's concerns and contributing little or nothing to the maturation of his intellectual powers.

If it is to be truly meaningful, instruction in history and the social sciences should focus on the development of critical thinking. The student must learn to "think as a scholar" -- to search out and deal with authentic source materials, to use techniques of inquiry and discovery, and finally, to arrive at conclusions supported by evidence. He should not be asked to accept the answers of others to questions he may not fully understand. The hope is that the student will learn to question and probe -- to formulate hypotheses and test conclusions in the light of carefully sifted evidence. He will thus be able to perceive the shortcomings of his own generalizations and to modify them accordingly. Rather than learning "facts" as ends in themselves, he will learn what the facts are, how significant they might be, and to what uses they can be put. This program does not suggest that "discovery learning" is necessarily the only route to better teaching. It does, however, pose the question of whether conceptual learning and the use of inquiry techniques offer a more satisfactory educational venture than the traditional "telling" of content.

- 2. It seeks to provide all students with the values, skills, understandings, and knowledge needed to cope with the pressing social problems of our age. We live in an era of change and challenge, a time when new and complex forces are reshaping our society. Our students must, of necessity, be receptive to change. They must recognize the sources of change and be prepared to deal effectively with issues raised by change. They must also strengthen their commitment to democratic values. Our students should be helped to appreciate not only the worth of the individual but also the importance of basic civil rights, civil liberties, and civic responsibilities.
- 3. It attempts to incorporate into the curriculum basic concepts drawn from the disciplines of history and the social sciences. The factual data to be derived from the study of history and the social sciences have increased enormously during the past few decades. There is now much more to be learned from each of the disciplines than any one person can possibly learn. Each discipline, nevertheless, offers a set of basic concepts variously known as "key ideas," understandings, or generalizations. These concepts provide a structure around which learning may be organized within each grade and from the prekindergarten through grade twelve. Recent educational research indicates that students can learn significant concepts at the earliest levels of instruction. They may use these concepts, moreover, to organize and apply factual information.

A list of the concepts from history and the social sciences on which this program is based may be found on pages <u>vii</u> through <u>xii</u>.

4. It attempts to develop skills and research techniques sequentially. The social science disciplines provide important tools for analysis and encourage the use of objective, rational methods in the study of contemporary problems. In the new program, the development of fundamental skills parallels the development of concepts. When taught functionally and in a sequential



manner, these skills enable students to relate information to key generalizations. A chart of the basic skills indicating suggested grade placements may be found on pages <u>xiii</u> through <u>xvi</u>.

5. It attempts to provide learning activities that aim at conceptualization through techniques of inquiry and discovery. Understandings are developed as pupils find, analyze, and weigh available evidence - including their own experiences - in the search for truth. In the early grades, the "discovery method" relies largely upon activities in which the child is a participant as well as upon vicarious experiences and illustrative materials such as pictures, books, films, and other media. More challenging materials and methods may be used in the middle and upper grades. Probing discussion questions, careful analysis of primary source materials, case studies of concrete social phenomena, the use of contrasting evidence to underscore man's varied social responses -- these and other strategies are used to obtain pupil interest and to develop understandings. More than the usual emphasis is placed upon inductive techniques of teaching. These techniques may be used with equal advantage in the self-contained classroom, in team teaching, in independently programed study, and with both large and small groups of pupils of varying abilities.

No one method, however, is mandated for this program. Children learn in many different ways. The learning process justifies a variety of techniques or strategies and a wide range of teaching materials.

6. It emphasizes the use of multi-media resources rather than the traditional textbook. The new program requires the use of a variety of materials. Traditional textbooks invite "coverage"; they are geared to expository learning rather than inquiry and discovery. Far more useful are rupil materials which lead themselves to the process of drawing inferences and forming generalizations. These materials require students to find, analyze, and weigh evidence, and to reach conclusions. They secure pupil interest and may be used to develop basic skills and understandings.

Especially useful in the new program are the audiovisual materials of instruction — motion pictures, filmstrips, maps, globes, transparencies, 8 mm. single-concept films, programed instruction, records, tapes, pictures and other nonbook resources.

An effective program in history and the social sciences depends to a very large extent upon the use of multi-media resources. Differences in the backgrounds, abilities, interests, and learning styles of students cannot be served if only a single type of pupil material is presented.

The Basic Concepts from History and the Social Sciences.

As earlier indicated, (page \underline{v}), the new program focuses on the development of significant concepts drawn from the disciplines of history and the social sciences.

The concepts listed below represent a careful distillation of key understandings which historians and social scientists associate with their respective disciplines. There is, of course, no universal agreement among scholars as to what constitutes the fundamental generalizations offered by their disciplines. The list provided reflects the concepts generally expressed in the most recent literature of the disciplines.

Although some of the concepts may be grasped without difficulty by students, the majority of the concepts require careful, systematic instruction over a long period of time before they can be understood fully. These concepts are not facts to be taught; they are goals to be reached. If students merely learn to repeat the concepts without first laying the groundwork by the study of related content—reading, observing, inquiring, forming and testing hypotheses, reaching intuitive and tentative conclusions—they will acquire only empty verbalisms, to be repeated without comprehension and quickly forgotten. Topics should not, therefore, be introduced by providing students with copies of the concepts.

How should we plan for conceptualization? Each teacher must decide the most effective way of introducing particular themes and related content and of motivating students to approach them with enthusiasm and purpose. As class work proceeds and as students use the materials provided, they should be encouraged to go beyond the initial step of acquiring information. They should be helped to arrive at broad interpretations; to venture intuitive speculations about meanings, implications, consequences; to check hypotheses against available facts; and to recognize the practical need at times for reaching pragmatic decisions without having all the facts. By these efforts, the class will no doubt discover many understandings in addition to those listed. If the concepts are essential to a comprehension of the discipline involved, and if the related content is actually relevant, the concepts indicated for each theme should, at some point during the study of that theme, be arrived at by the class. Of course, the exact phrasing by students will be different from the listing of basic concepts which follows:

History (H)

- 1. History is a continuous process leading to the present.
 - a. Every event, movement, and institution has roots in the past.
 - b. Customs, traditions, values, and beliefs are passed from generation to generation.
 - c. Man is a product of his past.
 - d. An understanding of the past helps man to comprehend the present and search into the future.
- 2. Historical events have multiple causes and effects.
 - a. The causes and consequences of historical events are often numerous and complex.
 - b. Historical events may have consequences in times and places other than their own.
 - c. Though history never repeats itself exactly, similar causes tend to produce similar results.
 - d. Chance and accident influence history and impose limitations on predictability.
- 3. The present influences our understanding of the past.
 - a. Knowledge of the past is based upon artifacts, remains, written records, and oral traditions which have been selected, classified, and interpreted.
 - b. The historian uses the information and interpretations of other historians to construct his own explanation of the past.
 - c. Historians draw from every field of knowledge to improve their understanding of the past.
 - d. Since historians tend to view the past in the light of their own times and culture, the historical record generally reflects the times and culture of the historian.
 - e. Each generation must seek to rediscover, verify, and explain the past for itself.
- 4. Change is a constant in history.
 - a. Change is an inevitable condition of life.
 - b. Varying attitudes toward change produce conflict.
 - c. Among the processes that have been productive of change are the movement of peoples; the transmission of the cultural heritage to succeeding generations; the appearance and diffusion of new ideas, attitudes, beliefs, and values; new inventions and discoveries; alterations in the physical environment.
 - d. The tempo of change has varied in different times and places; in the recent past, change has taken place at an accelerated pace.

- 5. Change does not necessarily imply progress.
 - a. Progress involves change toward a desired goal.
 - b. The goals of society have varied in different times and places.
 - c. Progress occurs as men meet the problems resulting from change with varying degrees of success.
 - d. Change at variance with desired goals has also taken place.
 - e. Civilizations develop as men successfully meet problems arising from change; civilizations decline and disintegrate as men fail to adapt to new circumstances.

Geography (G)

- l. Most of man's activities take place on the surface of the earth; many of his activities take place below the surface of the earth; man is rapidly moving toward activities in outer space.
 - a. Man's life is affected by relationships between the earth and the universe.
 - b. Where man lives influences the way he lives.
 - c. As population density increases, the possibility of conflict and the need for cooperation increase.
 - 2. Earth changes man and man changes earth.
 - a. Natural occurrences over which man has no control either improve or destroy life and property.
 - b. Man has always used the earth's resources for living.
 - c. Man must reexamine his geographic environment in light of his changing attitudes, objectives, and technical skills.
 - d. Physical and human changes in one part of the world affect peoples! lives in other parts of the world.
 - 3. Geographic factors have a significant role in the life of a nation.
 - a. A nation's use of its geography depends upon its political and economic objectives.
 - b. No nation is completely self-sufficient.
 - c. Conflicts between nations often arise because of geographic factors.
 - d. Intensive exploration of the earth and outer space is increasing international cooperation in scientific ventures.
- 4. Maps and globes are visual representations of the earth or parts of the earth.
 - a. Mapping and map analysis are basic tools of geography.
 - b. Scale establishes the relationship between what is seen on a map and the actual size and shape of the area.
 - c. Map symbols help us read and interpret maps.
 - d. Aerial photography is now essential in mapping the physical features and cultural development of an area.
 - e. Distances are measured on the surface of the earth and above and below sea level.
 - 5. Regions are organized on the basis of how people use their geography.
 - a. A region is a section of the earth which has distinctive physical or cultural characteristics.
 - b. Similar patterns of natural resources and man-made geographic features help to identify cultural areas in various parts of the world.
 - c. Relationships between cultural areas tend to expand with increased technological development.

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d. The location of key sites (e.g., cities, military bases, farming regions) is based on their role in meeting the needs of the region or even the world.

Economics (E)

- 1. Human wants are always greater than the available resources.
 - a. Relative scarcity makes it necessary to allocate available productive resources to best satisfy peoples! wants.
 - b. Wants are individual and collective.
 - c. Wants consist of materials, goods, and services.
 - d. The economic wants of society are never satisfied.
 - e. The conservation of natural resources is necessary for their future availability.
- 2. In any society choice determines the goods and services produced.
 - a. Society must choose between competing desires in order to establish priorities for what our scarce resources can produce.
 - b. Income withheld from consumption provides savings. Savings used to produce more goods become investments.
 - c. The decision to produce capital goods rather than consumer goods is made possible by savings and investments.
 - d. The more a country allocates for the formation of capital, the more it is able to produce.
 - e. When resources are used to produce particular goods, the alternative use to which those resources might have been put is the "opportunity cost."
- 3. Increased productivity makes possible the greater satisfaction of man's wants.
 - a. Producers use human, natural, and capital resources to make goods and services.
 - b. Specialization leads to great interdependence in the economy.
 - c. Specialization and the division of labor make possible greater efficiency in producing goods and services.
 - d. Increased interdependence brings about increased trade.
 - e. Real increases in production are largely the result of an increase in the worker's ability to produce.
 - f. Capital is a key factor in producing more goods.
 - 4. Societies develop economic systems in order to allocate limited resources.
 - a. Decision-making on how to use limited resources is the basis of every economic system; e.g., capitalism, socialism, communism.
 - b. Economic systems must provide answers to four questions:
 - 1) What goods and services shall be produced?
 - 2) How shall goods and services be produced?
 - 3) How much shall be produced?
 - 4) Who shall receive the goods and services produced?
 - c. Economic systems vary widely in their theory and practice.
- 5. Changes in a private enterprise economy result from decisions made by consumers, producers and/or government.
 - a. In a private enterprise economy such as ours, changes in prices largely determine the use that will be made of resources. Prices are basically attermined by the demand for and supply of goods and services.
 - b. Consumers will generally choose to purchase with their limited income those goods and services which give them the greatest satisfaction.
 - c. In order to make a profit, businessmen tend to produce those products which consumers desire most. Producers try to keep their costs of production down and their profits up.
 - d. Income mainly comes from individual contributions to the production of goods or services.



- e. The level of total spending by consumers and the level of investments by businessmen play key roles in determining recessions or prosperity.
- f. Government policies of taxing, sperding, borrowing, and controlling credit and money supply have powerful effects upon recessions or prosperity.
- g. The economy grows mainly as a result of decisions of consumers to spend and to save and of producers to invest. Government policies strongly affect this growth.

Political Science (P.S.)

- 1. Governments exist to make rules for group living.
 - a. Man develops rules and laws to live together.
 - b. Governments are established to do for the individual what he cannot do for himself.
 - c. Governments make rules to promote the interests of society.
- 2. Man has developed various forms of government.
 - a. Governments differ in the way power is obtained and exercised.
 - b. The nature and structure of governments change.
- 3. Democracy is a form of government in which ultimate power resides in the people.
 - a. Democracy has evolved from the struggles and experiences of the past.
 - b. The authority of the democratic state is limited by constitutional guarantees and traditions.
 - c. Democratic governments provide protection for the rights of individuals and minority groups.
 - d. In democracies, individuals and groups try to achieve their objectives by means of the ballot, political parties, pressure groups, and the mass media.
 - e. Democratic governments operate on the principle of majority rule.
 - f. Democratic governments have become increasingly concerned with the problem of providing equal rights and opportunities for all.
 - g. Democratic governments make distinctions between free expression of minority points of view (legal opposition) and subversion.
 - h. Democratic living entails duties and responsibilities as well as rights and privileges.
 - i. Active participation by citizens in the process of government helps insure the continuation of democracy.
 - j. Education is considered necessary for strengthening democracy.
- 4. Governments have grown more complex in response to changing needs and conditions.
 - a. Responsibility is allocated between national and local units of government.
 - b. National and local units of government are interrelated and interdependent.
 - c. As governments and their functions grow more complex, agencies are created to provide additional services.
- 5. Nations have established international organizations to resulve conflicting interests.
 - a. Nations establish diplomatic and trade relations with one another.
 - b. Nations tend to resist giving up sovereign power.
 - c. Nations organize with other nations to work together to achieve common aims.



- 6. All men have inalienable rights. -- Civil Liberties (C.L.)
 - a. All men are born free and equal in dignity and rights.
 - b. All men have the right to freedom of conscience and religion.
 - c. All men have the right to freedom of thought, opinion, and expression.
 - d. All men have the right to life, liberty, and security of person.
 - e. All men are equal before the law without distinctions of any kind.
 - f. All men have the right to humane treatment and may not be subjected to cruel, inhuman, or degrading punishment.
 - g. All men are entitled to the protection of their property against arbitrary arrest, detention, imprisonment, or exile through due process of law.
 - h. All men are entitled to the protection of their property against arbitrary acts of government.
 - i. All men have the right to assemble and associate peacefully.
 - j. All men have the right to vote by secret ballot in periodic and genuine elections.
 - k. All men have the right to an education that will insure maximum development and fulfillment.
 - 1. All men have the right to work, to free choice of employment, to just and favorable working conditions, and to protection against unemployment.
 - m. All men have the right to an adequate standard of living.
 - n. All men have the right to participate freely in cultural life.
 - o. All men have the right to a nationality, to freedom of movement, and to residence within a country.

Anthropology-Sociology (A-S)

- 1. Human beings are much more alike than different.
 - a. All human beings belong to the same species of animal, Homo sapiens.
 - b. All human beings have certain basic needs.
 - c. There is no necessary relationship between ethnic differences and distinctive behavioral traits.
 - d. No significant differences exist in the innate intelligence and capabilities of human beings from varying racial and ethnic backgrounds.
 - e. Members of different racial groups show a considerable overlap in abilities.
 - f. Racism results from attributing hereditary superiorities or inferiorities to particular ethnic groups.
 - g. Racism produces prejudice and discrimination.
- 2. Man's present material and cultural level is an outgrowth of the accumulated knowledge and experiences of the past.
 - a. Societies draw upon ideas from other cultures.
 - b. The pace of technological progress and cultural development has been accelerating at an increasing rate.
 - c. Technological backwardness is not characteristic of particular ethnic groups.
- 3. The culture in which a man lives influences his thoughts, values, and actions.
 - a. Societies vary in culture.
 - b. No scientific basis has been uncovered for determining the superiority of one culture over another.
 - c. The diversity of cultural patterns in the modern world makes cultural coexistence essential.
- 4. The environment in which a person lives greatly affects his opportunities for personal growth and development.
 - a. Historical circumstances, not heredity, determine a people's cultural achievements.



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- b. Cultural contributions are not the monopoly of any ethnic group.
- 5. Man lives in groups.
 - a. The family is the basic unit of human society.
 - b. Family organization has taken different forms in different societies and at different historical periods.
 - c. Man organizes many kinds of groups to meet his social needs.
 - d. Group living requires cooperation within and between groups.
- 6. Man develops social processes and institutions to insure group survival, provide for order and stability, and adapt to the dynamics of change.
 - a. To achieve its goals, every society develops its own system of values.
 - b. Men and civilizations have been motivated by moral and spiritual values and beliefs.
 - c. Children are taught the values, skills, knowledge, and other requirements for the continuance of society by their parents, peers, the school, and other agencies.

The Development of Skills

Fundamental to conceptual learning in history and the social sciences is the student's ability to utilize maps and globes, to locate and gather information, to solve problems, and to participate effectively in group activities. The development of such skills, as we have seen, is an important objective of this program; instruction in this area, in fact, is designed to parallel the grade-by-grade development of basic concepts.

To assist teachers in plauning a sequential program of skill development, specific learning activities are presented in this bulletin which provide opportunities for the use of skills in a functional manner.

The chart that follows, which served as a guide for the skills program in this bulletin, should prove useful to teachers in lesson planning. It indicates major social studies skills and the suggested grade levels at which they should be introduced, developed, and maintained. The grade placements indicated are in consonance with recent findings regarding skills in the teaching-learning process. These placements, however, should be modified to fit the needs, abilities, and prior experiences of individual pupils and classes. Teachers may find it necessary to reteach specific skills at various grade levels.



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Scope and Sequence, Prekindergarten Through Grade Twelve

Unlike earlier revisions in this curriculum area, the new program in history and the social sciences is predicated upon a carefully articulated scope and sequence for all grades in our school system. A major objective in the development of the program has been the elimination of cycles involving the unnecessary repetition of content at each school level.

The scope and sequence provides for an unusual degree of flexibility in the selection of themes and pertinent case studies. In grade three, for example, each of the first five themes may be developed in terms of comparative case studies of cultures other than those indicated in parentheses. In grades five and six, provisions are made for extending the courses of study in such a way as to meet the special needs and interest of students within a district, school, or class. In both grades, basic learnings from the initial themes are applied on a selective basis to the study of additional themes. In the second semester of grade twelve, the school may offer one or more of a variety of courses.

Unless otherwise indicated, it is expected that all themes listed for a particular grade be developed during the course of the year's work. The order in which themes are presented, however, may be altered to suit special needs and circumstances.

PREKINDERGARTEN: ORIENTATION TO THE WORLD IN WHICH WE LIVE

- A. Developing Individuality And Self-Respect
- B. Relating To People

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- C. Participating In Responsibilities And Anticipating Future Rewards
- D. Observing How Weather Changes Affect What We Do
- E. Realizing That Some People And Places Are Nearby And Some Are Far Away
- F. Understanding That Some Days Are Special Days

KINDERGARTEN: THE CHILD IN HIS HOME AND SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

- A. We Live Together In The Classroom
- B. We Live Together In The School And Its Environment
- C. How The Family Meets Its Needs
- D. Some Needs Are Met By People Far Away
- E. We Adapt To Change
- F. We Observe Special Days Together At Home And In School

GRADE 1: LIVING TOGETHER IN THE COMMUNITY

- A. People Live In Groups
- B. Many Workers Supply Many Services
- C. Government Supplies Services To Meet People's Needs
- D. Communities Are Interdependent
- E. Changes Occur In The Community
- F. Communities Observe Special Days

GRADE 2: HOW PEOPLE LIVE IN CITY COMMUNITIES AROUND THE WORLD

- A. How People Live In And Around New York City
- B. How People Live In Other Cities In The United States
- C. How People Live In Other Cities Of The World
- D. Communication Brings People Of the World Closer Together
- E. Transportation Brings People Closer Together
- F. People Around The World Observe Special Days And Customs

GRADE 3: CULTURES AROUND THE WORLD

(Note: Comparative case studies of selected cultural groups are used in Theme A - E.)

- A. How People Live in the Tropical Rainforest
- B. How People Live in the Desert
- C. How People Live in Grasslands
- D. How People Live in Northern Forests
- E. How People Live in Mountain Regions
- F. How Man Shows His Inventiveness
- G. How We Practice Good Citizenship

GRADE 4: AMERICAN PEOPLE AND LEADERS: HOW THE UNITED STATES BEGAN AND GREW

(Biographical Studies of Leaders and Ethnic Contributions)

- A. How People Discovered And Explored The Americas
- B. How People Settled And Developed Colonies In North America
- C. How People Established The United States of America
- D. How People Developed Our Nation (to 1900)
- E. How People Have Been Leading Us Into The Great Society (since 1900)

GRADE 5: OUR WORLD: GEOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC STUDIES

(Note: Grades 5 and 6 comprise a two-year sequence)

- A. How The People Of The United States Use Their Geography
- B. What The People Of Canada Are Doing With Their Geography
- C. How Latin Americans Use Modern Technology
- D. How The People Of Europe Are Developing New Economic Relationships In The Light Of Modern Geography

(Select one of the following two themes)

- E. How The People Of Asia Are Using Their Geography
- F. How The People Of Africa Are Using Their Geography

GRADE 6: OUR WORLD: EARLY CIVILIZATIONS

- A. How We Learn About The Past
- B. How Modern Man Developed
- C. How Western Civilization Developed

(Select two of the following four themes)

- D. How Civilization Developed In India
- E. How Civilization Developed In China
- F. How Civilization Developed In Pre-Columbian America
- G. How Civilization Developed In Africa

GRADE 7: AMERICAN HISTORY

- A. Why People Moved To The New World (1492-1775)
- B. How Permanent Settlements Were Formed In The New World (1607-1775)
- C. How The Thirteen Colonies Became One Nation (1660-1789)
- D. How America Grew In A Changing Political Climate (1783-1890)
- E. How American Democracy Changed In Response To The Needs Of The Twentieth Century (1890 To The Present)

GRADE 8: URBAN GROWTH: CHALLENGES OF A CHANGING SOCIETY

- A. Case Study Of The New York Metropolitan Area
- B. Urbanization In New York State
- C. Urbanization At Home And Abroad
- D. Changing Role Of Federalism In Urban America

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GRADE 9: WORLD STUDIES: EASTERN CIVILIZATION - REGIONAL STUDIES

(Note: Grades 9 and 10 comprise a two-year sequence in World Studies)

- A. Japan
- B. Communist China
- C. Southeast Asia
- D. The Subcontinent of India
- E. The Middle East and Moslem Society
- F. Sub-Saharan Africa
- G. Union of Soviet Socialist Republics: Bridge Between East And West

GRADE 10: WORLD STUDIES: WESTERN CIVILIZATION -HISTORY AND CULTURE

- A. The Emergence Of Modern Europe (From The Renaissance To The Rise Of National States)
- B. The Industrial Revolution
- C. The Growth Of Democracy
- D. Nationalism
- E. Rise And Decline Of Colonialism
- F. Life, Art, Science And Thought In The Nineteenth Century
- G. Problems Of War And Peace
- H. Live, Art, Science And Thought In The Twentieth Century
- I. Current Problems

GRADE 11: AMERICAN STUDIES

- A. The Development Of Self-Government In The United States
- B. The American People: A Pluralistic Society
- C. We Live Together: Social And Cultural Development Of The American Nation
- D. Our Nation As A World Power

GRADE 12: FIRST SEMESTER: ECONOMICS

- A. An Introduction To Economics And Economic Problems
- B. New Methods Of Production Have Led To Improved Living Standards
- C. How The Market System Allocates And Distributes Resources
- D. How Income Is Distributed In A Market Economy
- E. How We Try to Maintain A Growing And Stable Economy
- F. Comparative Economic Systems
- G. Persistent Economic Problems

GRADE 12: SECOND SEMESTER: ONE OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES

Problems Of Democracy, Modern World Problems, Advanced Placement Courses, Introduction To The Behavioral Sciences, Metropolitan Studies, Modern Geography, African Studies, Asian Studies, Latin American Studies

How To Use This Bulletin

The materials for this grade are arranged in two sections. Section I presents the course of study. It includes a brief introduction, a summary of the course, the course objectives, a list of the major themes, suggested time allocations, and an outline of content. Basic understandings and related concepts from history and the social sciences are indicated for each theme.

Section II contains suggested learning activities and resources. The learning activities are organized around the same themes that appear in Section I and reflect a variety of teaching techniques. Included are samples of instructional materials and specific lesson suggestions. These highlight major concepts and skills that pupils should derive from the learning experience.



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Also included in Section II are evaluative suggestions.

Recommendations for Teachers Implementing This Bulletin

1. Read both Sections I and II before planning.

2. Consult the lists of books and audiovisual materials for useful instructional resources.

3. Select and adapt learning activities in accordance with the interests, backgrounds, and abilities of the pupils. (In general, more activities have been provided than most teachers will be able to use within a single year.)

4. Create learning activities for those aspects of a particular theme for which additional activities are desired.

5. Use the evaluative suggestions in Section II to test pupil achievement.

This is a citywide curriculum. Modifications must therefore he made to meet the special needs of districts and schools under the direction of assistant superintendents and principals. Further adaptations will of necessity be made at the classroom level as the teacher plans the daily work for a particular group. These adaptations should, of course, reflect the overall philosophy of the program.

This is also an ongoing curriculum. The curriculum staff will use the feedback sheets attached herein in shaping the definitive courses of study and learning activities. Every effort will be made to develop additional instructional aids as requested by teachers and supervisors.

No curriculum bulletin is ever final. The staff responsible for the preparation of this material looks forward to your continued assistance in the development of a program rooted in sound scholarship; dedicated to the needs of all our children; and reflecting the best judgment and experiences of New York City teachers, supervisors, community leaders, and other groups concerned with educational progress.



KINDERGARTEN: THE CHILD IN HIS HOME AND SCHOOL ENVIRONMENTS

INTRODUCTION

The expansion of the early childhood program, which in many instances provides earlier education for young children through prekindergarten classes implies that for some children kindergarten is not, as heretofore, their first school experience. This is also true of children who attend nursery school or day care centers previous to entering kindergarten. Since these children have had some opportunities for group Living and development of their self-image, the kindergarten curriculum in history and social sciences needs be sequential to their previous learnings. For those children for whom kindergarten is their first group experience, and for those with previous experience who need reinforcement, the kindergarten curriculum must provide basic experiences and opportunities for development of self-image and adaptation to a group other than the family. With this in mind, the kindergarten curriculum progresses from the self-identification stressed in prekindergarten to group and community identification.

Time and Depth of Coverage

It is not feasible to treat all topics in the curriculum in similar depth. The length of time and depth of coverage for each topic depends upon the teacher's judgment of the interests and maturity of the children. Every topic is touched upon. Theme F, the observation of special days, continues throughout the school year.

Improving Skills

Social studies skills are part of the skills of the total kindergarten program. Teaching them in a social studies context provides a functional setting for their development.

The teaching of skills to the young child is related to his developmental pattern. The kindergarten child's limited proficiency in school skills is a factor to be considered in the building of understandings. In an informal setting, the kindergarten teacher introduces not only work-study skills but also skills of social interaction and social living.

Using Learning Resources

Multi-media materials offer opportunity for learning a variety of skills. Experiences in which the child is an active participant provide meaningful learning situations. Films, television, records, pictures, etc., enter the learning situation to supply additional information needed to reach understandings.

There is a limited use of the globe and map in kindergarten since many young children find it difficult to perceive the symbolic nature of this material. The approach to map reading in kindergarten is through trips; use of blocks, cartons, etc., to represent locations; use of sand box and flannel board for spatial relationships.



Helping Young Children Think

The kindergarten teacher knows that the child learns best when he is involved as an active doer and thinker. By providing a happy, informal classroom atmosphere, she encourages the child to feel free to express his opinions and to ask questions. She stimulates curiosity and experimentation by supplying a variety of materials, easily accessible to the child, which he feels free to use. The teacher is never too busy to answer questions and to listen to the child's comments and opinions.

When problems arise in class, the teacher helps the child consider alternative solutions. Through first-hand experiences and trips, she helps the child develop awareness, gather data, and guides him in drawing conclusions and in making generalizations. By skillful wording, she encourages the child to respond to simple questions of a reflective type that may require more than one answer. Because the teacher shows that she considers his views important, the young child is encouraged to think independently and to make his own decisions.

Evaluating Progress On The Kindergarten Level

How can the teacher of young children measure the value of the experiences, materials, and methods she has used? More research than is currently available is needed to determine the influence of kindergarten education in later years. For the present, the teacher must rely on her observations of the child's reactions, his perception of values, development of skills, and gains in understandings. A listing of expected outcomes is included with the course of study to facilitate evaluation.

Current Affairs

Throughout the year, important events that are related to the course of study should be interwoven with the learning and made part of the curriculum. Should an event of unusual significance occur, such as an outbreak of war, a milestone in space exploration, a peace settlement, or a breakthrough in science, provision should be made for teaching about this event even though it is not specifically stated in the course of study or learning activities.

Patriotism

Respect for the symbols of our country is reinforced in each grade.

Learning experiences designed to foster devotion to the ideals of liberty,
freedom, and civil rights are integral to history and the social sciences.

Symbols of American freedom to be given emphasis are the Pledge of Allegiance,
the Star Spangled Banner, the story of the flag, and the celebrations of holidays.



KINDERGARTEN

SCOPE: THE CHILD IN HIS SCHOOL AND HOME ENVIRONMENTS

- A. We Live Together In The Classrocm
- B. We Live Together In The School And Its Environment
- C. Now The Family Meets Its Needs
- D. Some Needs Are Met By People Far Away
- E. We Adapt To Change
- F. We Observe Special Days Together At Home And In School

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the program often are known as the aims, goals or purposes. The teacher uses the objectives to guide her selection of learning activities and the development of new learning activities. Her awareness of the child's needs, interests and abilities, as well as her own ingenuity will help her to adapt the day-to-day classroom procedures to achieve the objectives.

The objectives the teacher aims to achieve are:

- 1. To help the child relate his school activities and learnings to home and community situations.
- 2. To develop the child's understanding of the importance of school in his life.
- 3. To increase the child's awareness of the need to follow rules and regulations developed for the benefit of the group.
- 4. To develop the child's respect for himself and understanding of the roles of the individual in a group.
- 5. To involve children as eager participants in school activities and to help them appreciate the roles of school personnel.
- 6. To help the child recognize the value of our resources and our responsibilities to conserve them.
- 7. To arouse the child's curiosity about people, places, and things, both near and far away.
- 8. To build an appreciation of the compatability of cultural differences.
- 9. To help the child realize the interdependence of family members, economically and socially.
- 10. To inspire in children a love of our country and pride in being an American.
- 11. To sharpen the child's observation of the changes in seasons, families, schools and communities.
- 12. To help the child develop foundational skills related to gathering and using information in the social sciences; e.g., listening intently and observing accurately, developing simple map and globe skills, classifying, drawing inferences, making simple generalizations.



THEME A: WE LIVE TOGETHER IN THE CLASSROOM

Content Outline

1. There are many children in a class.

Each child is important.

Each child has a name which identifies him in the group.

Each child comes to school to learn.

Learning together aids children in relating to one another and in making friends.

Varied activities provide for developing similar and different interests. Each child has the opportunity to develop his interests and abilities to his greatest potential.

2. There is one or more teachers for each class.

The teacher helps children learn about people, places and things. The teacher helps children in the class live together safely and happily.

The teacher helps all the children find out things by themselves. The teacher is shared by all the children in the class.

3. There is a space for each class.

Each room has a number name and location.

There are materials and equipment in each room for the children to share. Each room has tables, shelves and closets that contain the materials the children use.

Each room has cubbies or other specified places where children may put their outer clothing.

There are special sections in each room for different activities.

4. Rules are needed when two or more children share activities and materials.

The teacher helps the children decide upon rules that are fair to everyone.

Rules are made for the benefit of the group.

Understandings and Concepts

As the teacher keeps in mind the objectives for this level, she helps the child to build understandings based on his experiences. She guides him in thinking through the problems and in drawing simple generalizations. Many experiences are needed to develop the understandings that eventually will lead to the formation of the concepts. Since many different understandings may be involved in the development of a concept, the concepts will reappear related to the various understandings needed. The concepts cannot be attained by young children. They are included so that the teacher may recognize the various social science disciplines which are introduced at this grade level.



<u>Understandings</u>

Each child is important.

We learn together in school.

All children, when old enough, attend school.

The teacher helps the children learn many things.

Limited space, personnel, and materials necessitate taking turns and sharing.

Teacher and children cooperate in establishing rules for living together in the classroom.

<u>Concepts</u>

All men are born free and equal in dignity and rights. (Civil Liberties)

Man organizes many kinds of groups to meet his social needs. (Anthropology-Sociology)

All men have the right to an education that will insure maximum development and fulfillment. (Civil Liberties)

Children are taught the values, skills, knowledges, and other requirements for the continuance of society by their parents, peers, the school, and other agencies. (Anthropology-Sociology)

Relative scarcity makes it necessary to allocate available productive resources to satisfy people's wants. (Economics)

Man develops rules and laws to live together. (Political Science)

Content Outline

1. We travel to and from school.

Each child learns his best route to school; e.g., hazardous areas are avoided, dangerous crossings, corners without traffic lights, etc. Observe proper conduct on the way to school; e.g., guessing games

conversations, etc.

Necessary safety rules are included; e.g., traffic signals and what they mean, looking both ways before crossing, crossing streets at the corner, etc.

Why safety rules are necessary on the school bus.

How to wait for the school bus; e.g., stand on the sidewalk, etc.

Why there are special helpers on the route to school; e.g., policemen crossing guards, school aides, nurse.

2. The school has many rooms to give many services.

Each class has its own room; there are many rooms because there are many classes.

Rooms are equipped differently to serve different purposes; e.g., television room, art room, gymnasium, library.

Some rooms are shared by many classes at the same or scheduled time; e.g., library, lunchroom.

Some facilities are shared by everyone; e.g., furnace room, exits, stairways.

3. Many people in the school are needed to provide services.

Some help provide learning activities; e.g., principal, assistantprincipal, teachers, and teachers' assistants.

Some help keep the school clean, warm and safe; e.g., custodian and helpers.

Some provide health services; e.g., doctor, nurse, dentist, lunchroom workers.

Some take care of reports and materials; e.g., secretaries, school aides.

4. We have a responsibility for the proper use and care of the school and its facilities.

Some equipment has to last a long time; e.g., desks, tables, chairs, record players, tape recorders.

Some materials have to be used again and again by many children; e.g., blocks, books, toys.

The school building must be used by many people now and in the future.

5. We have fun learning in school.

The things we learn in school help us outside of school.

We are learning when we visit other classes; e.g., to watch a dramatization, to see their work, to go on trips with other classes.

Older children also help us learn; e.g., help with safety rules.

We share our learning with others; e.g., little brothers and sisters, other classes in school.

We learn when we meet children who have distinctive customs; e.g., Puerto Ricans, Chinese, etc.

Understandings

Concepts

There are certain rules and laws which must be observed for health and safety.

Man develops rules and laws to live together. (Political Science)



We give and receive help.

The school and equipment are shared by many people.

We take care of the school and equipment so that other children can use them in the future.

Group living requires cooperation within and between groups. (Anthropology-Sociology)

Human wants are always greater than the available resources. (Economics)

Democratic living entails duties and responsibilities as well as rights and privileges. (Political Science)

THEME C: HOW THE FAMILY MEETS ITS NEEDS

Content Outline

1. Every family needs a home, food, and clothing.

Families must rent or buy a home.

Many families in the city rent apartments or houses.

They pay money for rent to the city or to the person or group of people who own the building to take care of repairs and other upkeep. Some families pay money to buy their own homes. They may do their own repairs and pay the other expenses themselves.

Families in the city buy food at a store.

Families in the country may grow some of the food they need.

Families may buy clothing in a store or may buy the materials and make the clothing at home.

2. Families need a source of income so they will have the money to buy what they need.

Most fathers and many mothers have jobs outside the home.

They earn money (wages, salary) for their work.

They use the money to meet the family's needs.

People earn money in many different ways; e.g., by producing goods, giving services.

The money the family spends provides income for other people.

3. Family members have jobs and responsibilities that make them interdependent.

The mother usually is responsible for cooking, cleaning, caring for the babies and members who need special care.

Children can help in many ways; e.g., picking up their toys, putting clothing away, going on errands, etc.

The member of the family who works outside the home shares the money he earns with the family.

Fathers often help with household tasks.

Fathers and mothers help the children learn rules for keeping the family healthy, safe, and happy.

Families enjoy things together.

4. Families use tools and machines.

Every family uses simple tools in daily living; e.g., needle, hammer.

Many families use mechanical devices; e.g., can opener, egg beater, etc.

People invent improvements of tools and machines; e.g., electric washer and drier, electric iron, electric toaster, vacuum cleaner.

Modern machines make family living more comfortable; e.g., washing machine.

Machines need care in handling and maintenance.

5. There are families in all the countries of the world.

Some countries are far away from where we live, e.g., France, Nigeria, Japan. The families in these countries are similar in some ways to families in America; e.g., basic needs.

These families differ in some ways from families in America; e.g., customs, foods, dress, housing, holidays, games, songs.

Understandings

Most people live in family groups.

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All families have the same basic needs.

Fathers and mothers are the leaders in the family group.

Concepts

The family is the basic unit of human society. (Anthropology-Sociology)

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All human beings have certain basic needs. (Anthropology-Sociology)

Family organization has taken different forms in different societies. (Anthropology-Sociology)



Families must earn money to supply their wants.

Cooperation among family members helps the family meet its needs and enjoy life together.

Families depend on tools and machines to make their lives more comfortable and efficient.

Families live in different places and countries.

Families are alike in many ways but they may differ in customs, foods, housing, etc. Income mainly comes from individual contributions to the production of goods or services. (Economics)

Specialization and the division of labor make possible greater efficiency in producing goods and services. (Economics)

Consumers will generally choose to purchase with their limited income those goods and services which give them greatest satisfaction. (Economics)

Where man lives influences the way he lives. (Geography)

Societies vary in culture. (Anthropology)



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THEME D: SOME NEEDS ARE MET BY PROPLE FAR AWAY

Content Outline

1. We depend on many people in our own country who do not live near us.

Food is grown by farmers, cattlemen, fruit growers and dairymen who live on farms and ranches.

Pishermen go far out to sea to catch fish.

Some fresh foods are shipped to us by refrigerated planes, trucks and trains.

People work to process or package food for us; e.g., frozen orange juice in Florida and California, pasteurized milk in New York.

People in factories far and near make clothing.

People work in factories to make things to satisfy our wants; e.g., automobiles, furniture.

2. We depend on people in other countries who grow or make things we want.

Some foods are grown in other places; e.g., sugar in Jamaica, bananas in Puerto Rico.

Some things are made in other places; e.g., toys in Japan.

Materials for clothing may come from far away; e.g., wool from Scotland.

People must drive trucks, trains, planes and ships to bring us things from far away.

- 3. What happens to people in other countries is important to and affects us in the United States.
 - At time of catastrophe UNICEF (United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund) sends food, clothing, etc., to families in other countries.
 - If there is not enough work in their country, many families come to the United States to find work or to better themselves.
- 4. We learn from people in other countries and they learn from us.

People travel to and from other countries.

Some people visit relatives who live in other countries, e.g., Africa, Europe, Musicians, actors, and artists travel from one country to another.

Location of other countries in relation to the United States may be found on the globe.

Foreign films are shown in the United States and American films are shown abroad.

Understandings

We depend on people we do not know and who live far away from us to provide materials and services that we need.

What happens to people in other parts of the world affects us.

People can learn many things from one another.

The globe shows places in the world.

Concepts

No people is completely self-sufficient. (Geography)

Physical and human changes in one part of the world affects peoples' lives in other parts of the world. (Geography)

Societies draw upon ideas from other cultures. (Anthropology)

Maps and globes are visual representations of the earth or parts of the earth. (Geography)



THEME B: WE ADAPT TO CHANGE

Content Outline

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1. Many changes occur in families.

Families change in size; e.g., babies are born, a family member gets married and leaves the home, a relative comes to live with the family, a member leaves to go away to work or college.

Families differ in composition; e.g., a father, a mother, one or more children; one parent, foster parents; grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins.

Families move into different homes. They want more space, convenience to places of work, newer building.

2. Our life in school changes.

New teachers come to the school.

We are promoted to another grade to learn more and more.

We have more responsibilities in school; e.g., becoming monitors, crossing guards.

Renovations are made in the school building.

New schools are built.

Our big brothers and sisters go to other schools; e.g., intermediate schools, high schools, colleges.

3. Weather and seasons change family needs.

Families' clothing needs change; e.g., heavier clothing in winter and lighter clothing in summer.

People need a warm home in winter.

People use more electric light at home in winter.

People eat different foods at different seasons; e.g., grapes and watermelon in summer, hot cooked foods in winter.

Food spoils more quickly in summer; e.g., milk needs continuous refrigeration.

We take frequent baths in summer to keep cool and clean.

4. Weather and seasons affect employment.

Some city helpers' jobs are seasonal; e.g., outdoor construction may proceed on clear days, snow removal occurs in winter.

Farmers' work differs according to season; e.g., planting in the spring, harvesting in the fall, repairing equipment indoors in winter.

Some farm workers and their families move to various locations for different harvests.

5. Weather and seasons affect how the family uses its leisure.

More people take vacations in summer.

There are more things to do outdoors in spring and summer; e.g., sitting outdoors, going on picnics, caring for baby outdoors, playing ball, roller skating.

In fall and winter, we watch TV, go to indoor pools, play indoors.

Understandings

Changes occur in everyone's life.

Weather and climate affect our lives.

Some kinds of work depend on the weather, the climate, and physical characteristics of the country.

Concepts

Change is an inevitable condition of life. (History)

Where man lives influences the way he lives. (Geography)

Geographic factors have a significant role in the life of a nation. (Geography)



THEME F: WE OBSERVE SPECIAL DAYS TOGETHER AT HOME AND IN SCHOOL

Content Outline

1. Our flag has a special meaning rooted in the past.

We study the appearance of our flag; e.g., colors, numbers of red and white stripes, blue field, number of stars.

We learn how to handle and display our flag according to established ways.

We learn what the stars, stripes and colors represent.

The first flag was made by an American woman when our country was new.

Our flag has changed many times since the making of the first flag and may change in the future.

2. Our country has grown in many ways.

Indians formerly were the only people who lived here.

At first few other people came to live in America. They had to make and do everything for themselves.

Many more people came to live in America. Many houses, stores, streets, cities and farms grew.

There are many different peoples from many different countries living together in the United States. They are all Americans.

3. There are many American heroes.

American heroes came from many countries, racial and ethnic groups; e.g., Herman Badillo, Ralph Bunche, Thurgood Marshall, Robert Weaver.

Some of the deeds of American heroes were done as soldiers, inventors, leaders, presidents, nurses, teachers.

We have heroes today; e.g., astronauts, inventors.

We learn about our past and present heroes by celebrating and commemorating in many ways their birthdays or dates of special deeds they performed; e.g., monuments, medals, parades, holidays.

4. We promise to be good Americans.

We show that we love our country in many ways; e.g., singing about her, taking part in celebrations, keeping our country healthy and clean.

Our country provides many services for us; e.g., free schools, parks, protection from fire.

We promise to help our country; e.g., take care of resources.

5. We celebrate American holidays because they commemorate special days in our country's past.

There are many ways in which we celebrate special days to honor heroes; e.g., statues are made; schools, streets, cities are named after heroes; hold parades; celebrate holidays; display flags; present special programs; sing special songs.

Ways of celebrating have changed; e.g., no fireworks.

We learn about our country's past in celebrating the special events that have happened long ago; e.g., Columbus Day.

We celebrate important events as they happen today; e.g., an astronaut's flight.

What happens today will affect the way we live and act when we grow up; e.g., exploration of space.



Understandings

Our holidays commemorate special events that happened long ago.

Our country was different in the past and will be different in the future.

Heroes are people who have done great deeds for other people.

We can be good Americans by sharing and caring for the resources of our country.

Concepts

Every event, movement, and institution has roots in the past. (History)

Change is an inevitable condition of life. (History)

Men and civilizations have been motivated by moral and spiritual values and beliefs. (Anthropology-Sociology)

The conservation of natural resources is necessary for their future availability • (Economics)



KINDERGARTEN SKILLS TO BE DEVELOPED IN HISTORY AND THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

SKILLS

Spatial Relationship in Skills

Discovering spatial relationships.

Finding the route to school and to special places in school; arranging materials in designated areas.

Dealing with the remote in space.

Evaluating and clarifying ideas gained from pictures, books, television, radio, films and trips to the zoo, museum, etc.

Map and Globe Skills

Perceiving relationships of location

Understanding and using vocabulary relating to directions; orienting one's direction.

Devising symbols for maps and globes.

Using blocks, cut-outs and other materials for representation of objects or geographic areas.

Interpreting flat maps and globes.

Recognizing land and oceans; learning to use colors symbolically; locating certain places.

Time Relationship Skills

Understanding chronological time

Using concrete representation such as string or rope to show change in height over a period of time.

Relating dates to personal experiences

Celebrating special days; planning trips; relating dates to special responsibilities.

Making use of the calendar

Learning the names of the days, months and year; relating seasons to the calendar; following calendar from left to right.

Speaking of past and future; e.g., When I was a baby, When my daddy was a little boy, When summer comes, etc.

Skills in Locating and Gathering Information

Collecting data

Discovering through first-hand experiences; e.g., trips, experimenting with sensory and manipulative materials.

Gathering realia and representative materials; e.g., artifacts from other cultures.

Locating sources of appropriate pictures; e.g., newspapers, magazines, picture post cards.

Deepening insights through supplementary sources related to topic; e.g., songs, stories, games, classroom routines.

Classifying and Interpreting data

Selecting main ideas, retelling events sequentially, identifying central characters, interpreting moods, noting similarities and differences, following directions.

Using creative dramatics to project characters and past events.

Skills in Problem Solving

Recognizing and seeking resources in the community when needed for problem solving.

Remembering recent past experiences and applying this information to current problems.

Identifying sequential steps needed to solve problems.

Discussing ideas with a group for further clarification.

Inquiring by formulating questions, listening to answers and applying to the solution of a problem.

Considering and evaluating before accepting or rejecting information.



* Skills in Social Living

Engaging in fair play Following rules and laws. Listening to reason. Withholding judgment until facts are known. Developing courteous behavior. Learning how to disagree. Giving and accepting constructive criticism. Finding ways to include newcomers. Inviting people. Planning and contributing ideas. Accepting and sharing responsibilities. Keeping to the task. Showing appreciation of the efforts of other people. Making choices and decisions. Respecting the rights of others. Respecting the rules of the majority.



SUGGESTED LEARNING ACTIVITIES

THEME A: WE LIVE TOGETHER IN THE CLASSROOM

The learning activities are suggested, not prescribed. In no way should they stifle teacher initiative in using or developing other approaches. They are merely examples of certain ways of implementing the goals of the program which have proved successful in some schools.

An emphasis on individual and small group instruction, with occasional whole class participation, provides opportunities for each child to explore in depth and to gain understandings consonant with his ablilities.

The content of the first theme is directed toward orienting the child to his new environment and toward helping him achieve a successful school experience.

THE TEACHER

THE CHILD

THIS IS OUR ROOM

Prepares room before opening day of school. During first days of school, establishes routines. Encourages a relaxed, friendly atmosphere.

Puts colorful picture sign on door so parents and children may identify room.

Arranges tables and chairs in social grouping.

Displays large mounted pictures on children's eye level.

Asks questions about the pictures.

Listens with evident interest to his comments. Answers his questions on his level of understanding.

Arranges materials on low shelves or cabinets easily seen by and accessible to children.

Provides cubby or hook, which he can reach, for each child.

Arranges centers of interest; e.g., housekeeping area, block corner, library table.

Discusses routines of clean-uptime; e.g., putting blocks in proper places, returning books to library shelf or table, putting table games back on shelves. Reacts favorably to colorful picture sign on door.

Chooses place to sit.

Reacts to colorful environment with pleasure.

Enjoys looking at and discussing the pictures with people interested in listening to his ideas.

Makes comments. Asks questions.

Notes arrangement of materials, Sees some material which appeals to him.

Learns there is a special place for him where he keeps his outer clething.

Notes that special play materials are kept together in one area. Becomes aware of other children with whom he may play and share materials.

Accepts responsibility for putting away materials he has used.



EACH CHILD IN THE CLASSROOM IS IMPORTANT

Greets each child as he comes to class.

Greets parent or escort who accompanies child,

Assembles small pictures or colored parquetry shapes.

Encourages child to choose one for identification of his cubby, with a label bearing his name.

Reads child's name to him.

Helps him fasten the picture or shape to his name label.

Labels child's cubby with card bearing his name and chosen picture.

Shows the other children the picture each child has chosen.

Uses snapshot of child, if one is obtainable, instead of other label for cubby, or on bulletin board showing all class members.

Uses child's name in songs and games.

"Where is Johnny?"
(To Tune of Frere Jaques.
Substitute child's name.)
Where is Johnny? Where is Johnny?
Here I am. Here I am.

How are you this morning? Very well, I thank you. That's very nice. That's very nice.

Uses child's name in giving directions; e.g., "John will you hold the door open for us?"
"Maria would you like to pass the cookies?"

THE CHILD

Realizes that teacher knows who he is and likes him.
Overcomes fear of strange persons and place.

Is aware that teacher is friendly to his parents and family.

Looks at the pictures or small colored paper shapes. Notes differences in color, design, or shape.

Selects picture, color or design he likes best. Notices that other children choose different colors or designs.

Is pleased to hear his own name.

Likes to participate in labeling his cubby.

Is aware of being a member of the group.

Likes to have a special place to keep his possessions. Notices that each child has a special place for his belongings.

Understands that the printing next to his photograph is his name. Sees that each child has a name.

Is alert to hear name.
Responds to name cue.
Listens to responses of other children.
Realizes that each child is important.

Gradually becomes participant rather than passive listener.

Is aware that the directions are being given to individual children. Listens for own name.
Responds with appropriate action.
Begins to develop leadership potential.
Realizes that he has a responsible act to perform that is helpful to the class.
Develops respect for himself.
Wishes to do the job well and to please his teacher and classmates.



Establishes procedures for celebrating birthdays in class to help children feel important.

Prepares paper crown with the number "5" or "6" on it to be worn by the birthday child.

Permits birthday child to be host at snack time.

Invites birthday child to choose his favorite song or game.

Permits him to lead the line at dismissal time.

Chooses a story about the celebration of a birthday.

Sits on low chair so illustrations are at child's eye level.

Invites the children to enjoy the story and pictures with her.

Reads or tells the story and shows the illustrations simultaneously.

Ruth M. Baylor, Birthday For Barbara, New York: Reader's Digest Educational Services Inc., 1967. Barbara, a little Negro girl, discovers that her birthday is a "special day."

Does everybody have a birthday?
How many times in one year does each person celebrate his birthday?
Why is a birthday a special day?
What made Barbara feel important on her birthday?
What are some other ways of celebrating birthdays in your family?

Shows the simple puzzle depicting Barbara's classmates that accompanies the story Birthday For Barbara to a small group of children who need reinforcement in identification of the story characters and in gaining understandings.

What are all the people in the puzzle doing together?

THE CHILD

Notes his acceptance by the significant people in his life:teacher, classmates, friends and family.

Develops a sense of his own worth.

Assumes leadership role.

Choose song he knows or prefers.

Is happy to have first choice.

Is attracted to colorful pictures. Likes to be near the teacher.

Is pleased to be part of a group activity.
Is interested in discovering what the story is about.

Understands that the printed page is related to the illustrations. Listens intently to story.

Learns that each person has a birthday of his own. Understands that a birthday comes once every year.

Realizes that his birthday is a day important for him.
Recalls that she wore a pretty dress, received a present, wore a crown, etc.
Listens to children tell of other ways.
Generalizes that different people have different tastes and ways of doing things.
Begins to understand that people are alike but different in some ways.

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Recalls that the children are helping Barbara celebrate her birthday.

Why do they look so happy?

Why would Barbara be less happy if there were nobody to help her celebrate?

Makes puzzle accessible so that it may be used by any child who is interested.

At another time, puts out the more difficult puzzle about Barbara's school that accompanies the same story for the more advanced child and for the child who has been successful with the simple puzzle and now needs more challenging material.

Prepares a birthday song.
Sings to children.
Asks children to sing along.
Substitutes appropriate name and age of birthday child.

"Johnny's Birthday is Today" Brooks Baker, <u>This is Music</u> Boston: Allyn and Bacon, Inc., 1965, p. 89.

Johnny's birthday is today, He is five years old today, Happy birthday, Johnny.

THE CHILD

Realizes that people enjoy doing things together.
Understands that he can help other people enjoy their birthdays and that they will help him enjoy his birthday.

Feels secure in using puzzle with whose content he is familiar.

Develops confidence in ability to cope with school materials.

Begins to develop habits of perserverance and independence.

Is encouraged to move on to something more difficult.

Enjoys meeting old story friends and situations in a different form.

Listens to song.
Sings with teacher and children.

Is aware that the birthday child is being singled out for special attention. Enjoys helping another child celebrate a birthday.



SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES EXIST IN THE GLASS

Points out that no two people look exactly alike. Through use of a singing game, calls attention to similarities and differences in colors and types of children's clothing.

"Mary Wore a Red Dress"
Beatrice Landeck, Songs to Grow On,
New York: Edward B. Marks Music Corporation, 1950, p. 12.
Substitutes child's own name.
Substitutes "shirt" or "tie" for "dress" when boy's name is sung.

Mary wore a red dress, red dress, red dress Mary wore a red dress, all day long.

After playing the game asks: How many children wore something red (blue, etc.) today? What do the boys wear that is different from what the girls wear?

Displays pictures of children from other countries to show that all people do not dress as we do.

Selects a few pictures; e.g., a Japanese family, an African family from "Families Around the World" New York: Silver Burdett, 1966.

What are the Japanese children wearing that we do not wear?
What do we wear on a rainy day that they do not use?
What do they use instead?
Why do people wear special clothing?
Why couldn't African children wear the same clothing if they went to school in New York in the winter?

If you lived in another country, would you like to wear the kind of clothing the people in that country wear?

Encourages children to notice that people are different from one another by weighing and measuring each child. Tells aloud what each child's height and weight is. Gives opportunity for children to measure one another against a wall chart marked off in feet and inches. Emphasizes that children have many similarities regardless of different weights and heights.

THE CHILD

Listens for own-name.
Recognizes names of classmates.
Identifies children by special characteristics; e.g., boy or girl, color of dress or shirt.
Grows more observant of details of appearance of other children.
Practices ability to identify colors of clothing worn by children.
Calls other children by name in choosing partners.

Reinforces ability to identify different colors.

Is alert to differences in clothing that distinguishes boys from girls.

Enjoys looking at colorful pictures. Observes that the people look and dress differently from people in the class.

Observes and compares details of clothing.

Sees that there are other ways than ours for providing for shelter from rain.

Begins to understand that difference in styles of clothing is sometimes the result of climate or weather.

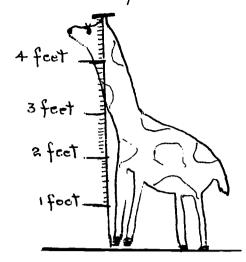
Realizes that under other conditions he might dress differently.

Gains perception of self in relation to others.

Is aware that everyone is not alike, there are some similarities. Enjoys finding similarities and differences in height amongst his classmates.



How tall are you?



THE TEACHER

Selects rhymes and verses that emphasize differences by numorous exaggeration.

"Jack Sprat"
Jack Sprat would eat no fat
His wife would eat no lean
And so betwixt them both
They licked the platter clean.

How was Jack Sprat different from his wife?

Why was it good that each was different?

Provides variety of materials to encourage freedom of choice.

Takes group for a stroll around the room. Asks children to identify the activities available; e.g., science table, easel for painting, crock for clay, puzzes in rack, games on shelf, dishes and dolls in house-keeping area, blocks for building, etc.

Encourages children to tell which activities they are eager to try. Assures children that there is something for everyone.

After the period is over asks children who have made a product; e.g., painting, block building, clay form, collage, etc. to show it to the group.

THE CHILD

Enjoys humor of differences as shown by verse.

Gathers that some differences are unimportant.

Realizes that differences may be fortunate.

Enjoys seeing so many things to do. Feels that school is a pleasant place.

Wishes to try out some of the activities.

Is curious about some materials that are new to him.

Satisfies his curiosity by using a new game or art media or building with blocks.

Notices that different children choose different activities. Is stimulated by their accomplishment to wish to try a new activity next time.

Notices that some children choose the same activities.

Makes the generalization that people are more alike than different.



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Discusses products with group.
What did Mary do with the clay?

Who did something different with clay? Can you think of another way to use the clay?
What did John and Ed build with their blocks?
How is it different from the buildings we made yesterday?
What other materials could we use with

WHO IS MY TEACHER?

the blocks?

Sings to children (to tune of Frere Jacques).

My name is Mrs. Edwards,
My name is Mrs. Edwards,
What's my name?
What's my name?
Everybody say it.
Everybody say it.
Now you know.

Selects story to clarify role of teacher.

Clara Greene, I Want To Be A Teacher,
Chicago: Children's Press, 1957.
What did the teacher in the story do?
What am I doing now?
Who has a mother who is also a teacher?
Would you like to be a teacher?

Encourages children to ask questions about a teacher; e.g., where she lives, if she has a family, what she does when she is not in school.

Provides materials so that some children may role-play the teacher and the class. Observes children's ideas of the role of the teacher. Enlarges children's understanding by giving suggestions as needed.

How can one teacher help so many children put on their raincoats and galoshes?

How can the children help the teacher?

Shows friendliness by personal concern for child.

Sends "get-well" card to sick child. Finds out about home problems from older siblings. Shows concern and willingness to help. Rejoices with child in his happy events. Encourages children to have parents meet the teacher.

THE CHILD

Sees that each child uses materials differently.
Realizes that many ways of doing things are acceptable.
Reels encouraged to experiment and to express own individuality.
Respects the accomplishments of others however different they may be.

Listens to teacher's name.

Responds to question by repeating teacher's name.
Use teacher's name in addressing her.
Use teacher's name in speaking of her to classmates and family.

Becomes aware of ways in which the teacher helps the children.

Realizes that one can learn to be a teacher.

Clarifies ideas about the teacher as a person with a way of living outside of school.

Expresses idea of teacher's role.

Takes initiative in role of teacher to solve problem.

Suggests ways; e.g., help one another, choose a monitor to help.

Is aware that teacher is friendly to him.

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Appreciates that he is missed. Looks upon teacher as source of help.

Realizes the teacher likes his family, too.



Guides children in the realization that the teacher is helping children learn when she shows them how to find out and how to do things for themselves.

Suggests that children try to button their own outer clothing. Designates a child to help those who cannot manage difficult top buttons, etc.

Confers with children in preparation of a "Helper's Chart." Asks for suggestions of things children can do alone.

In manuscript, writes child's suggestion on chart.

Reads it aloud simultaneously.

Puts picture next to word for easier identification; e.g., books next to "library."

Discusses rotation of assignments.

If one childwere always the librarian, how would other children learn how to take care of the books?

If the same two children always went for the milk, how would the other children find out where and how to go?

If the teacher cared for the pets, how would the children learn how to keep them healthy?

Refers children to chart if problem of duties arises.

Assembles pictures of children playing ball, carrying packages, playing dominoes, looking at a book, etc.

Labels two bulletin boards or class-books:

We Learn Together and Things We Can Do Alone. Asks children to sort pictures into these two groups. Discusses why some tasks are better done alone, while some need help.

In which picture did the child need help?
What kind of help could he use?
In which picture did the child do something to help himself?
In which picture did the child do something to help another child?
In which picture did the teacher or parent help the child?

THE CHILD

Understands that the teacher is not rejecting him when she does not do his job for him.

Is encouraged to finish quickly so he too can help others.

Suggests caring for pets and plants, setting table for snacks, caring for class library, etc.

Takes pride in his contribution.
Is aware of relationship of
written and spoken word.
Indicates willingness to take
turns.
Recognizes the need for many people
to help.

Realizes that not only is his help of value but also that he can learn something new.

Is encouraged to venture beyond the room with another child. Grows in independence.

Wants pets to like him. Is curious about their habits.

Learns to look up information for himself.
Feels proud that he can find out for himself.

Sorts pictures.
Brings additional pictures.

Notes that in some instances help is needed.
Recognizes different abilities.
Realizes that it is good to be independent.
Understands that he can do something to help others.
Learns to accept help graciously when needed.

THE CHILD

Selects story that shows a teacher in a different school.

Ludwig Bemelmans, Madeline, New York: Viking Press, 1939.
Twelve little girls of whom Madeline is the leader and their teacher, Miss Clavel, go to a boarding school in Paris.

In what ways is Madeline's school different than our school?
In what ways is Madeline's school similar to our school?

Who is Madeline's teacher? Who is your teacher?

How did Miss Clavel help her class? How does your teacher help you?

Chooses singing game to show how adults teach their children.

John Langstaff, Over in the Meadow
New York: Harcourt Brace, 1957.
(The music is on the last page of
the book.) Ten different animal
families learn from their mothers.
Sings song to group.
Encourages children to act out each
verse.
Who would like to be the mother?
Who will be the babies?
Who taught you to walk and talk
when you were a baby?
Who teaches you new songs and stories?

Why do children need mothers and teachers to help them learn?

Realizes that children sleep and eat there, dress alike, only girls.

Children go to learn.
There is a teacher.
They go on walks.
Identifies both teachers by name.

Understands that although they do not look alike, the teachers perform similar functions.

Enjoys participation in action song.

Understands that all children and baby animals learn some things from adults.

Participates as teacher or learner. Understands that he received help as an infant. Recognizes an aspect of teacher's role similar to parent's. Realizes that adults know many things that they can share with children.



RULES HELP PEOPLE LIVE TOGETHER

Chooses a record, or sings without accompaniment, an action game in which people have to perform certain actions at prescribed times.

"Around We Go"
Marjorie Matsushita and Judson Powell,
"Singing Action Games", Honor Your
Partner Records, Freeport, New York:
Educational Activities, Inc. 1965.

Around we go, around we go, one big circle marching so.

In we go, in we go, one big circle shrinking so.

Out we go, out we go, one big circle stretching so.

Around we go, around we go, one big circle marching so.

Down we go, down we go, one big circle sinking low.

Up we go, up we go, one big circle standing so.

Around we go, around we go, one big circle marching so.

Discusses with children why they enjoyed the game.

What were the rules that made this game fun?

What would happen if we did not follow the rules in the song?

Reads a story to show other situations in which rules are needed.

Phyllis Krasilovsky, The Man Who Wouldn't Wash Ris Dishes, New York: Doubleday, 1950.

Why did the man let his dishes go unwashed?
What would happen in your house if nobody washed the dishes?

Assists children in housekeeping area to dramatize some situations relating to the need for rules. Suggests certain situations.

THE CHILD

Is eager to join in game with other children.
Enjoys physical activity.
Realizes it is fun to do things with other people.

Suits actions to words.

Observes what happens if some children do not perform the correct action.

Understands that the game requires children to act in unison.

Realizes that certain words call for corresponding actions.

Expresses simple rules for playing the game; e.g., "Do what the words say."

Understands that the incorrect action spoils the fun for everyone. Generalizes that rules are needed for some games.

Discovers that people who live alone need please only themselves. Relates the story to a real life situation. Discovers why habits of cleanliness and order are needed.



It is your birthday. You want to have a party. What must you do?

Your friends want to play in your house but the baby is sleeping in the other room. What can you do?

Prepares workbench with hammer, saw, vise, nails arranged by size in containers, wood in carton near workbench.

Displays pictures of carpenters and cabinet makers.

What tools are these men using? How will they take care of their tools when they have finished working?

Reads stories related to the woodwork activity.

Carla Greene, <u>I want To Be A</u>
<u>Carpenter</u>, Chicago: Children's
Press, 1959.

What can the carpenter build? Has anyone a father or uncle or grandfather who is a carpenter? Are there lady carpenters?

Rolf Myller, How Big Is A Foot?
New York: Atheneum Press, 1962.
What does a carpenter have to know?

Calls attention to the woodwork area's size.

How many children can work in this space at the same time?

Helps children decide what rules are necessary for safety in woodwork.

How do we hold a saw?
What do we do with the tools when we have finished with them?
Why should we care for the tools?
Where should people who watch, stand?

Does your father have tools? How does he care for them?

THE CHILD

Uses housekeeping equipment as cue to help him think through the problem.

Uses imagination to solve problem. Relates problem to real life. Sees need for rules.

Learns the names of the carpentry tools. Observes where the materials are stored.

Notices that the carpenter's tools are similar to those in the class-room.

Observes that the carpenters wear overalls or workclothes.

Understands that the carpenter makes a contribution to the community.

Realizes that this is one way to earn a living for a boy.

Adds to knowledge of some of a carpenter's problems.

Decides that there is only sufficient space for two children to work compared fortably.

Recognizes that this is another situation requiring rules.

Learns how to care for tools. Accepts responsibility of returning tools so others can use them. Realizes that the same tools are used again and again. Is aware of the need to protect bystanders.

Realizes that everyone must use safety rules under similar conditions.

Formulates rules with teacher.
Adheres to the rules he made.



Designates two children to use work-bench.

Assures others that they will have a turn.

Introduces song about constructing with wood.

"The Carpenter",
ABC Music Series, Music For Young
Americans, Book One, New York:
American Book Co., 1959, p.30.

Helps children formulate rules for outdoor play area.

Supplies a variety of materials for active play; e.g., balls, jump ropes, juice cans of water and paint brushes for water painting, straws and cans of soapy water for bubble blowing.

Alerts children to the time limits and physical boundaries of the area in which they may play.

Why do we come here at a special time?
Why don't we come out on rainy days?

Should we play ball near the gate? Should we stand near the jump rope when other children are jumping?

THE CHILD

Understands that each child will have a chance to use the tools. Enjoys mastery over material.

Enjoys singing and imitating the way in which the carpenter uses tools.

Becomes aware of the purposes for which the tools are used.

Has opportunity to make own decision about choice of material. Chooses whether he wishes to play alone or with another child. Develops independence in choosing and carrying out an activity.

Becomes aware that other classes use the yard at other times. Realizes that the weather affects what he does.

Understands that rules are needed for the safety of the children. Cooperates with teacher and classmates in formulating simple rules applicable to the situation.



SUGGESTED LEARNING ACTIVITIES

THEME B: WE LIVE TOGETHER IN THE SCHOOL AND ITS ENVIRONMENT

The teacher guides the child in realizing that he is part of a larger group than his family and his classmates. The child is ready to explore and understand the larger environment of the school, of which he is now a member.

The learning activities suggested for this theme clarify the roles of the various adults with whom the child comes in contact in and around the school. He is led to an awareness of the need for using safety precautions in daily living. His responsibilities as well as his privileges in sharing school facilities are developed. He is given opportunities to relate to a diverse age group of children in the school.

THE TEACHER

TRAVELING TO AND FROM SCHOOL

Encourages children to join in rhythmic activity: to tune of "All Around the Mulberry Bush."

This is the way we walk to school, etc. Substitute skip, march, hop, run, ride, slide, skate and appropriate rhythmic activity.

Shows pictures of children arriving at school on foot, by bus, by bicycle.

Picture Set A 1559
Transportation
Elgin, Illinois: David C. Cook
Publishing Company.
(12 full color pictures
and 12 resource sheets)

In which of these ways do you come to school?
How do you come if you live very far from school? Show us the picture.
Do you cross many streets?
What do you do at a corner before you cross?

Who is in charge of the children in the bus?
What would happen if you ran up and down the aisle of the bus?
Where do you wait for the bus?

Reads a story about traffic.

Gordon MacDonald, Red Light Green
Light, Garden City, New York:

Doubleday, 1944. (Ways in which
traffic is controlled in city
streets.)

What does the red light mean? What does the green light mean?

Guides children in using representational materials to designate child's route to school.

THE CHILD

Chooses how he wishes (in song) to go to school.

Leads classmates in suitable rhythmic activity.

Observes that children use many means of transportation to come to school. Tells whether he walks or rides. Becomes aware of distances. Understands why some children must ride to school.

Is aware of danger from cars. Consciously takes some safety precautions. Realizes who is responsible for the safety of the passengers. Understands the need for safety rules on the bus.

Learns to stand on the sidewalk.

Becomes aware of the need for rules for safety which vehicles and pedestrians obey.

Identifies colors of traffic signals in illustrations in book.

Knows red means "stop", green means "go"



Supplies traffic signs, toy cars, trucks, rubber bendable figures in block area.

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Board of Education of the City of New York, G-1 List 1966-1967, "Let's Play Safe", Set of six traffic signs, Item Number 61-1572. "Rubber Figures, Family and Community Workers, Negro and White," Item Number 61-1202 to 1232. Supplies blocks, boxes as representional materials for streets, houses, school. Where is your house, Andy? Use a box to show us the place. Show us the streets you walk down to get to school. Where is the traffic light? Where is the traffic guard? Who rides to school? Show us where you wait for the bus. Why do we need special helpers for traffic? Who are they?

Plans trip from school to library to get some new books.

What street is our school on? Where is the library? Whatroute shall we take? Why is that a good way to go?

Draws school on large paper on floor, indicates streets to travel to arrive at library.

Indicates that we call a picture of location of places, a map.

How will this map help us find the easiest way to the library?

Show where the traffic light is located.

Shows filmstrip about safety.

"The Safe Way to School," Living and Working Together, Detroit,

Michigan: The Jam Handy Organization, 1954).

Which of these ways would be good for you? Which areas are dangerous?

What do you do at a dangerous spot?

Who are the special people who help us get to school safely? Do you know their names?

What do they wear so that we know they are the people to help us? Why should we obey and be grateful to these people?

Becomes increasingly aware of need to obey traffic lights.
Understands that this is a safety rule for his own good.
Practices crossing procedures with play materials.

Uses blocks and other representational materials to make floor map of his route to school.

Use representational materials to indicate where he waits on sidewalk.

Is aware of service performed by policeman, crossing guard, school patrol.

Cooperates in planning and determining destination.

Builds upon knowledge of distances.

Supplies name of streets when known.

Suggests alternate routes.

Observes how teacher indicates location of places.
Understands meaning and uses word "map".
Learns to use simple map of route.
Learns that route can be shown by map.
Draws representation of traffic light on the map.

Tells about a route safe for him.

Identifies corners without traffic lights, street construction, etc.

May identify a crossing guard and ask for help or avoid these spots.

Names the policeman, parents, school crossing guards, older children assigned as erossing guards.

Describes uniforms, badges, or other identification used.

Understands that these helpers are performing a service for the children.



THERE ARE MANY ROOMS AND MANY PEOPLE IN A SCHOOL

Plans with the children to visit another class in school, an upper grade.

Where is the classroom?
What is its number name?
How can we get past many rooms
without disturbing children
who are studying?

Draws stick figures on chalkboard as children make suggestions; e.g., holding partners hand, talking in whispers in hall.





Upon return to classroom, discusses similarities and differences of classroom visited and own classroom.

Refers to previous trip to library.

What did we see when we visited the library? How was it different from our room? What were the children doing?

The person in charge of the library is called a "librarian."

Who is our class librarian this week? Let us look at our Helper's Chart to find out.

Where else have you seen a librarian?
Why is the library such a quiet place?
For what purposes do we go to the library?
What are some of the library rules we obey?
Why does the library have these rules?

Why are children as well as adults obliged to obey these rules.

Decides upon rules to follow while walking down corridor and as guests in other room.

Realizes need for quiet.
Uses acceptable behavior, as a guest.

Suggests ways to go through corridors without disturbing others.

Becomes aware that the same rules apply to everyone in school.

Develops acceptable social behavior patterns. Associates his own actions with pictures.

Observes differences; e.g., children are bigger, so are the desks and chairs.
Observes similarities; e.g., each class had a teacher, books.
Generalizes that classrooms are furnished to meet the needs of the children in them.

Recalls that he saw books on shelves.
Compares furniture, quantity of books, etc.

Notes that some were reading, some looking for books, etc.

Increases familiarity with new word.

Relates to classroom situation. Refers to chart for information.

If he has visited a public library, recalls the librarian there.
Understands that people come to read not to talk.

Realizes we go to read stories, get information, etc.

Learns we handle books with care, keep quiet, return books on time, etc.
Is aware that the resources of the library are shared by many people.

Begins to understand that the privelege of using the library carries with it the responsibility of caring for the books.



Invites school nurse (or doctor) to visit class and to tell the children why she is in the school.

Encourages the children to question the nurse about her position. Secures invitation from nurse to bring class to visit office.

Nurse shows some of the equipment and tells how, when and why she uses it.

Asks for a volunteer to show use of tongue depressor.

Permits some children to weigh themselves. Shows couch where children may rest if ill.

Allows children to try it to see how comfortable it is.

Supplies rubber hand puppets to represent school nurse, doctor, teacher, etc

Board of Education of the City of New York, G-1 List 1966-67, Puppets, Family and Community Helpers, Negro and White, Item number 61-1872 to 61-1982.

Encourages children to manipulate puppets and tell the jobs they do.

Suggests situations for the children to role-play with the puppets.

During the morning, Julio's stomach begins to hurt and his head feels hot. What should Julio do?

Andrea tells the nurse that her throat hurts her. What will the nurse do?

Maria falls in the street and hurts her knee. Why is she glad that there is a nurse and a nurse's office in school?

Suggests that children cooperate in making a model of a school.

Supplies four (or more) small cartons or shoe boxes without covers. Helps decide upon arrangement depending upon number of stories in school.

How can we find out how many stories high our school is by looking at it from the outside? Takes class outdoors to look at school. What makes it look like a school?

How can we find out what number it has? Reads number to children.

THE CHILD

Becomes acquainted with school nurse.

Asks questions about things they fear; e.g., shots, vaccination.
Is reassured by friendly invitation to see the office.

Loses fear through familiarity with equipment.

Gains courage.

Is proud to show he is not afraid.

Learns uses of certain special equipment.

Begins to understand the special purposes of the room and how it can help child when ill.

Develops confidence in nurse.

Speaks for puppet he has chosen. Shows awareness of some of the services performed by school staff.

Suggests that Julio tell the teacher.

Shows Julio going willingly to the nurse's office.

Tells nurse, "My stomach hurts," etc.

Nurse asks, "What did you have for breakfast?"

Shows how Andrea permits nurse to look down her throat with aid of tongue depressor. Carries on appropriate conversation.

Understands that Maria needs help to stop the bleeding and pain. Realizes that the nurse has special training and equipment to combat illness. Generalizes that nurse's office is a haven in time of illness.

Participates in group project.

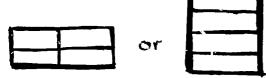
Makes decisions based on previous observations.

Discovers way to check his previous estimate.

Counts floors by noting rows of windows. Notes size, playground, flag, children's work pasted on windows. The second secon

Directs attention to the number over the door. Repeats it aloud with teacher.

Upon return to class, glues or staples the cartons together to represent the school as decided upon by the children.



Provides paper, crayons, and scissors. Suggests children draw and cut out furnishings for the school rooms.

Which room will look like our room?
What will we make for it?
Which room will be the library?
Why can't we show all the rooms in our building?
Which other rooms do you want to show?
What shall we put on top of or in front of the building to show that this is an American school?

Plans for extensive walk through school to see auditorium, symnasium, television room, science room, lunch room, and other rooms whose facilities are shared by many classes.

WE USE AND CARE FOR OUR SCHOOL

Recites verse using flannel board and felt cut-outs she has prepared; e.g., school, children, teachers, aide. This is the school our city

built.
These are the children who come to the school our city built.
This is the teacher who teaches the children who come to the school our city built.
This is the aide who helps the teacher who teaches the children who come to the school our city built.
And all work in the school our city built.
Who gives the money to pay for the schools our city built?

Puts cut-outs in manila envelope labeled <u>Our School</u>. Encourages children to use cut-outs and repeat verse alone or in small groups.

Arranges walk through corridors to see bulletin board displays.

Calls attention to displays that are partly torn off. Fixes displays with thumb-tacks, scissors, mending tape, damp sponge she has brought with her.

THE CHILD

Decides upon height and shape of building.

Decides upon appropriate items.

Voices his choice.
Abides by majority choice.
Suggests tables, blocks, etc.

Realizes the project would take much time and space.
Makes suggestions.

Draws or provides an American flag. Realizes it is a symbol of our country.

Observes differences in room equipment.
Realizes that different rooms are equipped
to serve different purposes.
Sees that some rooms are shared by many children;
e.g., lunchroom and auditorium.
Pecomes aware of the size of the school and the
extent of the facilities.

Listens to teacher recite verse. Enjoys rhythmic sound. Recites with teacher.

Learns that the city built the school. Takes turn putting appropriate cut-outs on board as teacher and class repeat verse.

Identifies correct material.

Feels free to handle and experiment with cut-outs.

Observes evidences of vandalism. Evidences disapproval. Assists in repairing bulletin board, picking up scraps from floor, wiping marks from walls.



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Doesn't the display look better when it is in good condition? How did it get torn?
Let's pick up scraps of paper on the floor.

What should we do when we see someone destroying or dirtying our school?
Why is it our job to see that the school is well-kept.
Who pays for the equipment, toys and materials we use in school.
Did your big sisters and brothers come to this school?

Who pays the city for building Learns that people the schools, buying the materials, to pay for schools. hiring teachers and helpers?

THE CHILD

Admires children's work displayed. Realizes vandals ruined the display. Accepts responsibility of helping to repair damage caused by others.

Understands that an adult(e.g., teacher, aide, custodian, principal, policeman) can be called upon for help.
Understands that the person who has the

privilege of using the school shares the responsibility for caring for it.

Learns that people pay money to the government to pay for schools.

WE LIKE TO COME TO SCHOOL

Reads a story about the first day in school.

Ruth M. Baylor, <u>Kam Lee Comes</u> to School, New York: Readers Digest Educational Services, 1967.

(A little boy finds that his first day in school is a happy experience where he meets many of his neighborhood acquaint ances.)

Who did Kam Lee see in the streets on the way to school?

Why did Kam Lee's mother bring him to school on the first day? Who are the people who help us get to school safely? Why was this a special day for Kam Lee? What made Kam Lee feel that the teacher liked him and his mother? Who were Kam Lee's friends in When you came to our class for the first time which children did you know? How many more friends do you have now than on the first day you came to school?

Presents a game related to the theme of the story for use by a small group of children.

Ruth M. Baylor, Kam Lee's
Game, New York: Reader's
Digest Educational Services,
Inc. 1967. (A lotto-type game a
about characters and objects in
Kam Lee Comes to School.)

Sees similarities in Kam Lee's experience and in his own. Understands Kam Lee's feelings.

Notices that a policeman was available to help children cross the streets.

Sees that many children come to school at the

same time.

Understands that an adult or some older child can help at the crossings.

Realizes that it was a strange and new experience for Kam Lee.

Is aware of policeman, school patrol, school guards.

Understands that coming to school for the first time is an important event.

Recognizes and appreciates the teachers friend-liness.

Observes and names the children in the story.

Relates story to own experience. Identifies the children he knew.

Realizes that he is friendly with many more children than when he first came to school.

Shares his interest in the story with classmates through a game.

Recognizes the familiar characters. Likes to manipulate the cards.



Shows children who are unfamiliar with small group games how to play the game. Explains why only four or five children can play at one time. Acts as "caller" for first game.

Encourages a child to volunteer as "caller" for subsequent game. Watches to ascertain that children understand the rules. Permits children to use the game without adult supervision. Encourages children who know the game to teach it to and play it with other children.

Why did Kam Lee like to stay in school after his mother went home?

Why do you like school?

Which of the activities that we do in school can you do at home? Which activities are best for school?

Takes photographs (using school camera) of children engaged in various activities; e.g., playing rhythm instruments, cooking, painting, using puzzles, small group games, listening to story, clean-up time, etc. Has pictures developed either for film strip or slide showing.

Invites parents to class to view with children the filmstrip or slides of the many activities in which the children participated.

Rncourages parents to ask questions if they wish to find out why certain materials were used.

Encourages children to tell parents more about what the children in the filmstrip are doing.

THE CHILD

Participates in small group activity.

Understands that rules are needed to play a game successfully. Enjoys teacher in role of participant in game.

Develops ability to lead a game. Enjoys role of leader. Accepts corrections. Rememembers and uses the rules. Develops habits of independence.

Cooperates with peers.
Enjoys playing a game with other children.
Finds school activities to his liking.

Observes that he found friends and that there was equipment for children to use.

Thinks about facets of school that he prefers. Listens to preferences of other children. Names activities; e.g., drawing, looking at books.

Generalizes that there are many activities that he can do best in school because of materials there, space, presence of children, help from teacher.

Enjoys sharing a school activity with family. Recognizes himself as class member.

Answers parent's questions to best of his ability.

Is enthusiastic about being on film. Is eager to tell about himself.



Prepares a lively song and rhythmic activity about going to school.

"Going to Boston"
(Substitute "school" for "Boston".)

Music for Living Through the Day,
Morristown, New Jersey: Silver
Burdett Company, 1962, p.8.

What is another word for jolly?
Why are we jolly when we come to school?
At what other times are we jolly?

Helps children realize that some children in the world who want to go to school may not be able to attend.

Peter Buckley, <u>Okolo of Nigeria</u>, New York: Simon and Schuster, 1962.

(Photographs of a Nigerian boy whose dream is to go to school. Story may be adapted for use with young children.)

Why couldn't Okolo go to school?
Why did Okolo want to go to school?
Why do you want to go to school?
How old do you have to be before you can come to school?

Why is it good for all children to go to school?
Why do some grown-ups go to school?
Do people ever stop learning?
Why must every child in the United States go to school?

THE CHILD

Participates with group. Follows directions in song.

Enjoy using full body movement to express his feelings.

Understands that jolly means happy.
Tells why he is glad to come.

Sees that school is one of his many enjoyable experiences.

Becomes aware that not all countries have as many schools as we have.

Is interested in pictures of a boy in another country.

Realizes the lack of school facilities near Okolo.
Understands that Okolo wants to learn.

Decides that he, too, wishes to learn.

Learns that some children enter prekindergarten class when they are four years old.

May say that they learn to read, to write, etc.

Thinks they want to learn something new.

Realizes there is much to learn. Understands that every child should learn about the world.



SUGGESTED LEARNING ACTIVITES

THEME C: HOW THE FAMILY MEETS ITS NEEDS

The theme is intended to familiarize the child with the various ways by which the family may meet its needs. In addition to answering the basic material needs of food, clothing, and shelter, family living provides opportunities for expression of love and affection, for discussing problems together, for going places together and for enjoying good times together.

The child learns of the interdependence of family members in satisfying family needs. He becomes aware of similarities and differences in the ways families earn and spend their income and use their time together. He is confronted with the choices involved in saving for future needs or gratifying present desires.

A new idea for the child is the realization of the various services workers perform or the many products they make to earn income. It encourages aspirations. for what the child might like to be when he grows up and for broader ways of living. He becomes aware that tools and machines make life more comfortable but that it is man who invents and uses them. The relationship between school learnings and daily living in the world are clarified and emphasized.

THE TEACHER

THE CHILD

EVERY FAMILY NEEDS A HOME

Helps children discover that all families, animal or human, need shelter.

Reads story about kinds of homes.

Mary M. Green, <u>Everybody Has A</u>
<u>House</u>, New York: William R. Scott
Inc., 1961

Takes children on neighborhood walk to see many kinds of homes. Calls attention to apartment houses, single family dwellings, housing projects, apartments over stores.

Guess how many families live in such a big apartment house.

Points out a single family.

Could a family buy a house to live in?

Do the families who live in apartments own or rent their apartments?
To whom do they pay rent?

What does the landlerd supply? Who does the repairs, tends the furnace, sweep; the steps, puts out the garbage in an apartment house? Who does these chores in a private house?

Who pays the taxes in a private house?

Realizes that all families need a home.

Points out his house if it is on the route. Observes where other children live.

Realizes that many, many families have separate homes in one building.

Sees the small house.
Becomes aware that some families buy and own their own homes.

Learns that most families who live in apartments pay rent to the owner or land lord.

Learns that the landlord has bought the building, supplies certain services, pays the taxes from the rent he collects.

Tells if he has helped his father or mother paint a room, cut the grass or tighten a leaky faucet.

Discovers that private home owners also pay taxes.



Shows filmstrip, "Helping Each Other At Home," No. 995, Series H4, Living Together, New York: Audio-Visual Division, Popular Science Publishing Co., Inc. 1966

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Suggests that children make a "home" for the family of wedgy figures.

Provides wooden wedgy family from which children select members to live in the house.

G-1 list, 61-4242 Family Group (Negro), 61-4252 Family Group (White).

Provides cartons, boxes, wallpaper, paste, paint, etc. for the house.

What shall we do to make our home a pleasant place in which to live?

Where will the family eat?
Where does the family sleep?
Where can the family play games?
Where will they store clothing, etc.?

What can we do to make the house pretty?

Provides clay for making vases and lamps, cardboard for picture frames, material for curtains, etc.

To deepen understanding of how people care for their homes, reads story.

Ruth Krauss, <u>I Want to Paint My</u>
Bathroom Blue, New York: Harper and Row Publishers Inc., 1956.

Who fixes things in your house if they get broken?

Why does your mother clean the house?

What would happen if nobody cleaned the house or fixed things that get broken?

Plays singing game about household tasks. Sings to tune of "Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush" but asks children to suggest household chores to imitate.

Reads story. Stops at questions in story to give children the opportunity to respond.

Elsa Jane Werner, <u>Houses</u>, New York: Golden Press, Inc., 1955.

Encourages children to make floor plan using blocks to show arrangement of furniture in some room in his house. Reviews many of the family activities that take place in the home.

Thinks about what is needed in a house.

Participates in discussion as to size of family group for the house.

Gives ideas and participates in constructing a house.

Learns to distinguish family activities. Recognizes the need for privacy as well as for sociability.

Suggests painting the outside, wallpaper on walls, pictures for decoration, flowers, lamps, curtains, etc.

Chocses some material from which to make an object to beautify the Hame.

Arranges family figures in house. Role plays with family figures in various family activities.

May say father, mother, big brother, etc.

Realizes that house gets dirty from use.

Imagines situations which might arise if no care were given to the house.
Realizes it is costly to buy new items.

Suggests chores; e.g.,
This is the way we paint the kitchen so
early Monday morning, hang the curtains,
scrub the floor, fix the faucet, take out
the garbage, etc.

Responds to questions in story. Builds understanding of the many kinds of houses in the world.

Enjoys using blocks to show other children how the kitchen or bedroom in his house is arranged.

Learns from watching other children's arrangements that there are other ways of placing furniture in a home.



EVERY FAMILY NEEDS FOOD

Elicts from children some of the activities in which all families engage every day; e.g., eating, sleeping, dressing.

Which of these activities apply to animal families?

Reads and discusses a story.

Mary M. Green, <u>Everybody Eats</u>, New York: William R. Scott Inc., 1961,

How does a wild animal such as a bear or lion get its food?

How do we get our food?

Can we just take the food from the store? What must we do to get the food we need from the store?

Arranges trip in neighborhood. Takes camera on trip. Takes photographs of children looking into shop windows of various local food stores and talking to local food store personnel.

Displays photographs on bulletin board.

Encourages discussion of kinds of foods sold in various stores visited. Which of these foods would your family use?

Reads and discusses story to clarify what kind of store sells certain foods?

Guyon Brooks, Let's Go Shopping, New York: Wonder Books Inc., 1958.

Betty Russell, Big Store, Funny Door, Chicago: Albert Whitman and Co., 1955.

Where can we buy bread? What is the shop that sells only bread, rolls, cake and cookies?

What is the shop that sells only meat?

What other shops sell only special kinds of feed?

THE CHILD

Tells that his family eats food, goes to bed at night, gets washed and dressed, etc.

Realizes that animals also must eat and sleep.

Is aware that wild animals eat other smaller animals around them.

Has seen his mother get food at a store.

Understands that he cannot take the food without paying for it.

Decides that money is needed to buy food.

Becomes aware that many people buy food in various kinds of food stores

Learns to identify by name specialized stores; e.g., bakery, fish market, butcher shop, fruit and vegetable store

Is interested in seeing himself and friends in photographs.

Identifies items of food in photographs. Identifies stores in photographs.

Tells foods his family might choose.

Realizes that some stores specialize in certain types of food, while a supermarket sells many kinds of foods.

May suggest the supermarket.

May know from experience of shopping with mother that the shop is called a bakery.

May know the butcher shop.

May identify fish store, delicatessen, candy store, vegetable store.

Would you like to go to a store to buy a snack for us to have in school?

What food do we need to keep us healthy?
Encourages children to choose raw vegetable; e.g., carrots for snack in preference to cookies or candy.

How can we tell how much money we will need to pay for the carrots?

Plans trip to vægetable store or to supermarket with the class. Supplies money for carrots.

On return, asks why it is necessary to wash hands before preparing foods.

Invites the children to assist in washing the carrots. Peels and cuts into strips for snack.

Where did the storekeeper get the carrots?
Who grew the carrots to sell to the storekeeper?
Does the family who lives on a farm have to buy its vegetables?

Shows pictures to illustrate how people on a farm get their food.

"A Rural Community," Rural Education Studies, New York: John Day., 1966. (Large picture book)

Encourages children to tell what they know about farms, especially children who may have come from or visited rural areas.

To help children who have never been on a farm understand how the farm supplies us with food, puts on the library table a variety of picture books about the farm.

Lois Lenski, <u>Little Farm</u>, New York: Henry Z. Walck, Inc., 1942.

THE CHILD

Decides he would like to go to a store with the class.

Suggests foods he likes.

Thinks of foods he has heard were good for snacks.

Accepts class decision about what food would be suitable.

Realizes that money is needed to pay for carrots. Suggests prices are marked or we can ask the storekeeper.

Chooses the store to which to go.

Determines price of carrots.

Pays cashier.

Watches money being rung up on register.

Notes the change given.

Carries carrots back to school.

Remembers that dirty hands may carry germs to food and make people who eat the food ill.

Assists in preparing carrots. Enjoys eating what class has bought.

Discovers that he had to buy them.

May or may not know that a farmer grew them.
Realizes that a farmer's family can eat some of the food it grows.

Sees how the farmer grows some of the food he uses.

Recalls and shares knowledge of what foods were grown on farm.
Recognizes farm as a source of food.

Satisfies curiosity about farm by looking at pictures in books and by discussing them with classmates.

Chooses one of the books he prefers. Asks the teacher to read the story aloud.



Lucy Sprague Mitchell, A Year On The Farm, New York: Simon and Schuster, Inc. 1947.

Alvin Tresselt and Roger Duvoisin, Wake Up Farm, New York: Lothrop, Lee and Shepard Co., Inc. 1951.

Reads story at request of child.

To help children understand how food comes from the farm or cannery to the store, plans a trip to a local store when delivery truck is unloading supplies. Ascertains time in advance from manager. If possible, watch porters or clerks put vegetables on display.

Asks if any child has ever eatem vegetables that he or his family grew.
Suggests that the class may like to grow some string beans or radishes in a window box.

Provides window box, soil, and seeds.

Distributes a few seeds to each child.

Will the plant grow in one week? How can we help the vegetable grow?

When informed by class that beans are full-grown, suggests that children pick, wash, and taste them raw.

THE CHILD

Comments on aspects of farm life about which he is curious.

Asks further questions or supplies information stimulated by book.

Understands that this time he is going to find out how the food gets to the store.

Watches delivery truck unload on sidewalk. Sees men unpacking cartons, baskets, etc. Realizes the labor that takes place before he and his family can buy the food.

May never have eaten home-grown vegetables.

Is pleased with idea that he could grow something to eat.

Prepares soil for planting.

Plants own seeds. Is curious to see growth of plant.

Learns that he must be patient.
Suggests putting the window box in a sunny spot and watering daily.

Discovers when beans are grown and alerts class.

Is proud to have grown a plant for food.



EVERY FAMILY NEEDS CLOTHING

At a season of the year when children are wearing outer clothing, elicits from children reasons for needing the additional clothing.

Why do we need our coats and/or sweaters and hats today?

Where did you get the sweater and/or coat and hat you wore today?

If some child is wearing sweater knitted by a member of family, admires sweater and skill of adult who made it.

If clothing is bought, inquires what type of store and if child accompanied parent.

To deepen awareness of where to go to buy certain types of clothing, reads story; e.g.,

Sam Vaughn, New Shoes, New York: Doubleday and Co., 1962.

Evelyn Belmont Hastings, <u>The</u>
<u>Department Store</u>, Los Angeles, Calif.:
<u>Melmont</u>, 1956.

What would you do if your shoes became too small for you, because you had grown?

What would you do if you wore a hole through the sole of your shoe?

What is the difference between a shoe store and a shoe repair shop?

Why do we have our shoes repaired when they are worn, instead of buying new shoes?

Notices that some child is wearing a dress or sweater that was made at home.

Inquires from child who produced the article.

Who else can show us some article of clothing that his mother or relative or friend produced at home?

Why do we like to wear clothes our mothers make?

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Do you think it costs more or less to make clothing at home?

THE CHILD

Sees relation between change in his clothing and change in season.

Realizes coat and sweater provide protection from cold, wind, or rain.

Recalls that some adult in family made it or bought it in a store.

Is proud of family member who made the article of clothing. Is pleased to be admired.

Becomes aware that one goes to a clothing store or a department store to buy clothing.

Realizes that some stores sell only shoes.

Learns that some stores sell a variety of items.

Suggests that he would go with parent to shoe store or department store to buy a new pair.

Suggests that he would go to a shoemaker to have the shoe repaired.
Understands that a shoe store sells
shoes and a shoe repair shop fixes
them when they are worn.
Knows that shoes are expensive.
Infers that it would cost the family
too much to buy new shoes if the old
could be repaired.

Is pleased to be admired by teacher and class.

Is proud to name the producer.

Brings article made at home.
Admires home-produced clothing brought
by other children.

Realizes that it is made by someone who loves him.

Learns that it saves money to make the clothing at home.

Who is the producer of this clothing? Who is the consumer?

Tells story; e.g.,

"The Cap That Mother Made."
Shortened version of a Swedish Folk
Tale. Adapted from Sidonie M. Gruenberg (Ed.), <u>Favorite Stories Old and</u>
New, Garden City, N.Y.: Doubleday &
Co., Inc. 1942.

Once there was a little boy named Anders who had a new cap. 'A prettier cap you have never seen, for mother herself had knit it; and nobody could make anything quite so nice as mother did. It was red with green in the middle.

His brothers and sisters wished they had caps just like it. Anders put on his cap and went out for a walk so that everyone could see how fine he looked.

The first person he met was a farmer. The farmer bowed to Anders. "Dear me," said he, "I thought you were a prince."

At the turn in the road Anders met a big boy, Lars. Lars fingered the Tassel and stroked the cap.

"Let's trade caps," he said. "I will give you a stick of candy too."

But although Anders loved candy, he refused to give up his cap.

Anders thought that since he looked so fine he should go and visit the King. So he walked to the palace yard.

Two soldiers who were guarding the palace stopped him.

"Where may you be going," asked one of the soldiers.

"I am going to the King's party," answered Anders.

"Oh no:" Nobody is allowed there without a uniform.

Just then the princess came across the yard.

"Oh," she said, "he has such a very fine cap on his head that it will do just as well as a uniform."

And she took Anders by the hand and led him to the party. Soon the King entered wearing a large gold crown on his white curly hair.

THE CHILD

Identifies mother as producer Identifies self as consumer.

Develops auditory skills and imagination.

Appreciates ability of mother to make the cap.

Understands Anders' feeling of importance because the cap was made especially for him.

Reinforces idea of the beauty of the cap and how people showed Anders their admiration.

Recognizes Anders' self-control.



Anders did not answer but he held on tightly to his cap. As the King came nearer, Anders ran from the party, through the yard and home to his mother.

His mother took him up in her lap, and he told her how everybody wanted his cap. All his brothers and sisters stood around and listened with their mouths open.

When his big brother heard that he had refused to give his cap for the King's golden crown he said that Anders was stupid.

"Mother, was I stupid?" asked Anders.

"No, my little son," said she. "If you were dressed in gold from top to toe you would not look any nicer or feel any happier."

Then Anders knew for certain that the cap that mother made was the best cap in the world.

Provides flannel board and boxes of pieces of wool, cotton, silk, nylon materials for children to cut, classify and arrange in designs on flannel board.

THE CHILD

Sympathizes with Anders' desire to keep his own cap.

Understands Anders need for approval for his decision.

Becomes aware of how other people may have acted under similar circumstances.

Understands Anders' satisfaction in his mother's approval.

Learns to distinguish various kinds of materials from which clothing is made today. Enjoys manipulating colored pieces into design. Uses tactile as well as visual sense to identify materials.

FAMILIES NEED A SOURCE OF INCOME

Helps children discover that families must have a source of income in order to buy the things they need. Refers to previous activities in Theme C, that show that money is needed to buy a home, pay rent, and buy food and clothing.

When does your family need money?

How does your family get the money it needs?

To alert children to the varieties of ways in which people can earn a living, makes a selection of short verses about people's jobs to read or recite to group. Reads only one or two at one time.

Mary C. Austin and Queenie B. Mills (Eds.), The Sound of Poetry, Boston: Allyn and Bacon, Inc., 1964.

Jane W. Krows, "The Milkman,"
p. 144.
Rose Fyleman, "The Balloon
Man," p. 145.
Rachel Field, "The Pretzel
Man," p. 148.
Jimmy Garthwaite, "Engineers,"
p. 142.
Dorothy Baruch, "Barber's
Clippers," p. 140.
Unknown, "The Shoemaker,"
p. 141.
Rose Fyleman, "The Dentist,"
p. 142.

Invites children to comment on the types of work.

What do you think the pretzel man does with the money he earns?

When we went for a walk what other work did we see people doing?

What work is done by your father, uncle, big brother?

What work does your mother do if she has a job outside of the home?

THE CHILD

Is aware that parents use money to buy food, clothing, and to pay for rent.

Replies that his father and/or mother has a job and gets paid for working.

Listens attentively.
Enjoys rhyme.
Realizes there are many ways of earning money.

Becomes aware that the pretzel man may have a family for which he must earn money.

Recalls the store clerk, policeman, construction worker, etc.

Comments that his father is a policeman, works in a garage, drives a truck, etc.

Volunteers information that his mother works in an office, sells in a store, etc.



What do your father and/or mother get for working?

How often do your father and/or mother get money for his work?

Provides adult hats, shoes, clothes, play money, etc. for house. Encourages dramatic play during work period.

Suggests situations such as:

Father gets ready for work.

Father gives mother money from his salary.

Mother buys what the family needs.

Encourages small group to perform dramatization of song play for the rest of the class.

Supplies new words to the tune of "London Bridge is Falling Down," Encourages group to make up other verses.

Every day I go to work Go to work, go to work Every day I go to work Early in the morning.

Once a week I get my pay, Get my pay, get my pay. Once a week I get my pay Then I'm glad.

Invites parents to tell about their work.
Encourages children to ask guests questions about their work.
Invites one parent who produces goods; e.g., mother who worked in a factory and is no longer working or father who works

Invites another parent who produces services; e.g., father who is a fireman, or mother who is a nurse.

at night.

THE CHILD

Becomes aware that "salaries" and "wages" are money received for work.

May know that his parent gets paid each week, month, etc.

Enjoys playing role of mother or father going to work, receiving salary, shopping for food, etc.

Shows father shaving, eating breakfast, etc.

Dramatizes father's return with salary.

Shows mother shopping for food, etc.

Observes dramatization of song plays. Volunteers to participate.

Helps in making up other verses.

Enjoys singing new words to familiar tune and participating in dramatic play.

Listens to parent describe the goods he produces Feels free to ask questions of guest.

Listens to parent's description of services he performs.
Asks questions.

Helps children differentiate between those who produce goods and those who produce services.

Which parent produces something that we buy?
Which parent does something that helps us?
Who helped us cross the street when we went to the library?
Does the librarian produce goods or produce services?

Plays riddle game with class to reinforce understanding of the differences in work.

"I am a policeman. I help keep children safe. Do I produce goods or do I produce services?"
"I work in a factory. I make little girls' dresses. Do I produce goods or do I produce services?"

Encourages children to make up riddles for the class to answer.

Plans trip to supermarket or nearby five and ten cent store to call children's attention to the people who shop and the people who work in the store.

Who are the people who are paying money? Who are the people who work in the store?

What would happen if nobody had money to shop in the store?

What happens to people when they lose their jobs?
What can they do then?

Where would they go to find another job?

To help children realize the wide variety of work, plans picture chart, People Work.

Provides old magazines, scissors and paste so that children may find, cut out, and paste on chart pictures of workers.

Suggests children look for pictures at home to add to chart.

THE CHILD

Compares the two jobs and realizes that both parents earn money.

Relates producers of services he has met previously to parent who produces services.

Enjoys game and answers riddles.

Is pleased to be the "teacher" and make up questions.

Knows that he is going to the store to observe what the people in the store will be doing.

May say that they are shoppers.

Observes and names the manager, cashier, sales person, etc.

Becomes aware that the store would close and the workers would be without jobs.

Replies that they have no money to buy food or pay rent.

May say that they receive Welfare money, or borrow from relatives, or use money they have in the bank, or etc.

Learns that there are ads in newspapers, employment agencies, etc. that help people find new jobs.

Is alert to look for kinds of work. Becomes familiar with new jobs.

Seeks pictures of workers to add to chart.
Enjoys contributing to class project.

Looks through newspapers at home for other workers.



THE CHILD

FAMILY MEMBERS HAVE JOBS AND RESPONSIBILITIES THAT MAKE THEM INTERDEPENDENT

Provides for the extension of the center of interest to help the child understand that family members have jobs and responsibiliites. Includes male and female clothing, tool chest.

Dramatizes responsibilities of family members.

Holds conversations with other children about jobs for family members.

Figure 1. "Dinner"



Presents a large picture of a family scene; Looks at picture intently. e.g., "Dinner" from set of pictures entitled Food and Nutrition, (A1532), Elgin, Illinois:
David C. Cook Publishing Co. (See Figure 1.)

(Twelve multi-ethnic pictures in color and twelve resource sheets.)

Encourages children to recognize familiar details.

Helps children recognize other details.

What is this family doing?
What foods do you see?
What meal do you think this is, breakfast, lunch or dinner?
Why do you think so?
Why do you think everyone is laughing?

Which family members do you think helped with the meal? Who will help later.

Uses song flannel board packet, "Helping Mother" and "Putting Away" in <u>Helping and Showing</u>, (A1526), Elgin Illinois: David C. Cook Publishing Co.

(Song and activity record, six sheets of music and flannelgraph figures.)

Identifies the family members.

Looks at pictures to find answers.

Makes up a conversation that would be amusing, as when the baby mispronounces a word. Uses imagination to tell what happened before dinner and what each member may do later.

Participates in songs and rhythms that dramatize how to help mother.

Uses flannel-graph figures on feltboard in discussing how children can help at home.

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THE CHILD

FAMILIES USE TOOLS AND MACHINES

Organizes a "tool search" in the classroom to find tools that are used in school work.

Elicits from children that a tool is an object that helps us do some work faster or better.

Encourages child to name tool he has found and to tell or show how it is used; e.g., hammer, scissors, etc.

Gives hammer (or scissors) to child. Makes certain that handle points toward child.

What do we call this object?
When do we use a hammer (scissors)?

How does a hammer (scissors) help us?

What do we call an object that helps us?

During work-play period encourages correct use of hammer at work-bench.

Establishes routines at work-bench. Provides nails with large heads and pieces of soft wood.

Teaches action song about hammer.

"Johnny Works With One Hammer,"
Mary Miller and Paula Zajan, Finger
Play, New York: G. Schirmer, 1955,
p. 21.

Encourages children to show how they would perform the job the tool does if there were no such tool; e.g., scissors, stapler.

Provides scissors, paper, and cloth for experimentation.

Provides paper of various kinds, pins, needle and thread, paste, paper clips and fasteners as suggested by children.

Elicits from children that pins, needles, paper clips, and paper fasteners are also simple tools.

Searches for tools in housekeeping area, at workbench, on teacher's desk, on toy shelves.

Learns meaning of "tool."
Is able to identify some tools.

Brings tool he has discovered to show the group.

Grasps hammer (or scissors) by handle.

Recognizes and names object.

May answer that a hammer is used to nail wood. Scissors are used to cut paper or cloth.

May reply that you can't hammer nails with your hand. You can cut instead of tearing with scissors.

Uses the word "tool."

Learns to use hammer carefully and correctly.

Feels important because he is using a tool.

Sings song and enjoys imitating pounding motion of the hammer.

Experiments with paper and cloth. Tries to tear the material. Discovers that tearing leaves a rough edge, that some fabrics cannnot be torn.

Finds out that scissors do the job more neatly and more quickly.

Tries various means of fastening papers; e.g., folding corners together, sewing together etc. Discovers that the stapler is faster, easier, and neater.

Increases his understanding.



THE CHILD

THERE ARE FAMILIES IN ALL THE COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD

Emphasizes the similarities of family life despite the locations in which people live. Tries to develop an understanding that all families have similar basic needs.

SOME PLACES ARE FAR AWAY FROM WHERE WE LIVE

Helps children visualize that people live in many places that are far away from where we live.

Provides globe for children to examine and handle.

Answers questions and clarifies any misconceptions shown by children's comments.

Asks children to identify some of the colors.

What color represents oceans and seas?

What do the other colors mean on a globe?

Points to United States. Guess what country this is.

Points to Puerto Rico. Who knows the name of this place?

Points to Africa and identifies it by name. Tells that there are many different countries there.

Encourages children to span with hands distances on globe between United States and Puerto Rico, then between United States and Africa.

Which is nearer to the United States, Puerto Rico or Africa?

Which is farther from the United States:

Looks at colors, turns globe, becomes curious.

May ask what the pink, the yellow, etc., are.

Can name some of the colors.

Remembers from previous use of globe.

May guess they mean places, lands, etc.

Learns to identify United States by color and shape.

Learns it is Puerto Rico. Name may be familiar and evoke comment.

Observes that Africa is a large area on the globe:

Enjoys using globe. Measures distances with hand. Draws conclusions about relative distances. Uses terms near and far.

Estimates that Puerto Rico is nearer.

Estimates that Africa is farther away.



THE CHILD

FAMILIES IN OTHER COUNTRIES ARE SIMILAR IN SOME WAYS TO FAMILIES IN THE UNITED STATES AND DIFFER IN SOME WAYS

Shows the similarity between the day of a French child and the day of an American child by reading a story; e.g.,

Francoise, What Time Is It Jeanne-Marie? New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1963.

(Through the day with a little French girl. A few French words are used and explained.)

What do you do that is similar to what Jeanne-Marie does?

What do you do that is different from what Jeanne-Marie does?

Helps children see that family relationships and needs in another country are similar to those in the United States; provides picture of family activities in another country.

"Nigeria," Children Around the World, Elgin, Ill.: David C. Cook Publishing Company, 1967.

(One of a set of 12 pictures of children in foreign countries, each with a resource sheet.)

Which is the baby? How can you tell which is the sister? What are the women doing?

How does your mother carry bundles?

Where does your mother prepare food for the family?

Where do the children sleep at night? What shape is their house? What shape is your house? Where do the children play when it rains? Where do you playwhen it rains?

When do you wear as few clothes as the children in Nigeria? Why do you think they never have to wear heavier clothing? Tells of his activities that are similar to Jeanne-Maries.

Tells of things he does that Jeanne-Marie does differently.

Recognizes children in picture as being about his own age.

Identifies smallest child.

Notices the dress.

Notes that one is carrying a basket on her head.

Recalls that she carries bundles in her arms.

Knows that she prepares food in the kitchen.
Surmises that they go into their house.
Sees that it is round.
Notes that it is rectangular.
Thinks they play in the house.

Sees similarity to what he does on rainy day.
Realizes he wears fewer garments in summer.
Guesses that it is hot in Nigeria all year.



To accustom children to other ways of fulfilling basic needs; e.g., clothing, shows picture of children dressed differently from the way they dress in the United States.

"Japan," Children Around the World, Elgin, Ill.: David C.Cook Company, 1967

(One of a set of 12 pictures of children in foreign countries, each with a resource sheet.)

What are the little girls wearing instead of dresses?
Do they always wear Kimonos?
Upon what are they sitting?

What piece of furniture do you use to sit on?

How are the dolls different from your dolls?

What do you think is in the three cups on the little table?

Why is the table so low?

Why are our tables so high?

What do you and your friends drink when they visit you?

Why would you like to visit a child in Japan?

THE CHILD

May know that it is a kimono.

Learns that today native clothing is worn mainly for special occasions. Observes that they are sitting on cushions.

Knows that he sits on a chair.

Recognizes that they are dressed in the way the girls are dressed.

May or may not guess that it is tea.

Realizes that it is a convenient height if people sit on cushions.

Is aware that it is the height needed if we sit on chairs.

May say juice, milk, or etc.

Thinks that he would like to see a different way of doing things.

THEME D: SOME NEEDS ARE MET BY PEOPLE FAR AWAY

Learning about people in far away places can be a stimulating experience for children and teachers. Although children in an urban setting may lack familiarity with an agricultural way of life, they can be helped to understand the important relationships that exist between the farmer, cattleman, fruit grower and themselves.

The city child is exposed to a wide variety of articles that come not only from his country but from far away places as well. The teacher may help the child understand the dependence of one country's people upon another through those aspects of his own culture that the child knows best such as food, toys, and articles of clothing.

When the child's curiosity is stimulated by his interest in other people, the teacher may find materials such as a globe or map of special help in this theme in developing concepts of near and of far away.

THE TEACHER

THE CHILD

WE DEPEND ON MANY PEOPLE IN OUR OWN COUNTRY WHO DO NOT LIVE NEAR US

During snack time, reviews with class where the milk they are drinking comes from.

Where does our milk come from?

How does the store get the milk you drink?

Where does your Mother buy the other foods that you eat?

What kinds of foods does your Mother buy when she shops?

Plans trip to local supermarket to observe the many kinds of foods that are sold there; meat, fish, vegetables, fruits, etc.

What are the names of these foods that we eat?

Where does our meat come from?

What is the name of the man who raises cattle, pigs, or sheep?

Where does the fish that we eat come from?

Who catches the fish we eat?

May answer that it comes from a carton, or from the store, or remembers that it comes from a cow.
Recalls that trucks bring milk and other foods to the market from the farm.

Volunteers name of store where his Mother shops.

Enumerates foods that he enjoys eating.

Enjoys taking trip with teacher and classmates.

Knows he is going to the supermarket to identify foods.

Observes, names and classifies the foods with which he is familiar.

May know it comes from farm animals; e.g., cow, lamb.

Learns that these men are called "ranchers, cowboys, cattlemen, shepherds, etc."

May know that fish come from the sea or ocean.

Answers that men who catch fish are called "fishermen."



Continues discussion of where other foods come from and the names of people who work on farms, in orchards, on dairy farms, etc. Refers to previous activities on farm life in Theme C #1.

What would happen if the farmers did not grow food and the fishermen did not; catch fish?

Plays guessing game to reinforce learnings about people who supply us with food.

I go out each day in my boat. I use a rod and reel and nets to catch something you like to eat. Who am I?

I work each day taking care of my animals. They give you milk to drink. Who am I?

Encourages children to make up other riddles to ask one another.

Shows film strip to class.

Our Food and Clothing,
The Jam Handy Corp.,
Detroit, Michigan.
(Produced in cooperation with Gian and
Company.)

What would happen if there were no farmers to grow food?

What would we wear if there was no one to make clothing?

How do the people who grow food for us to eat send the food to the city?

Shows book of various means of transportation:

George Zaffo, Giant Nursery Book of Things That Go, Garden City, New York: Doubleday and Co., 1959.

What is the fastest way to send food from the farm to the city?

How does the farmer send food that might spoil?

What would happen if there were no way to send food from the farm to the city?

THE CHILD

Understands that there would be no food in the stores for his mother to buy.

Enjoys playing game and answering questions. Pantomimes activities of man he is depicting. Watches other children. Guesses who they are depicting.

Is pleased to play part of teacher. Understands that we depend on many people for our food.

Views film strip and observes sources of food and clothing.

Understands that we depend on many people for the things we need.

May knew that food comes by train, truck, airplanes, etc.

Looks at pictures and names trucks, airplanes, trains, etc.

Is aware that planes can speed food most quickly.

Learns that trains, trucks and airplanes may be refrigerated.

Becomes aware that we would not have food if there were no way to send it from the farm, ranch, or sea.

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THE CHILD

Aims to help children realize that many things that we eat, wear, or use come from other parts of our own country. Uses as example a common fabric and/or a familiar food that is grown in other parts of the United States. Suggests that children examine their clothing to discover the fabric from which it is Uses tactile sense to determine

Provides a box of small pieces of cotton, wool, silk, etc., fabrics so that children may feel and compare the fabric in their clothing with a similar fabric in the box.

Let us find out how many children arethat are made of cotton. wearing something made of cotton. Exhibits cotton boll for children to examine. Explains that this is how the cotton in the clothing looks as it grows. (Single cotton boll may be secured free by teacher for class demonstration from Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Immigration, Immigration Division, 317 StateLearns the terms "cotton boll" Office Building, 325 Loyola Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana 70112.) Provides picture book or pictures showing how cotton grows.

The Story of Cotton, National Council of America P.O. Box 12285 Memphis, Tennessee 38112 (Twenty-page illustrated booklet. A limit of 25 copies per class is available without charge. I1lustrations are informative and stimulating for discussion with children.)

Shows map of United States. Discusses with children kind of climate needed to grow"South" on map of United States. cotton.

Helps children find the southern part of our country where cotton grows.

texture of fabric. May be able to identify some fabrics. When in doubt, compares with fabric in box. Learns names of fabrics Identifies articles of his clothing Notices cotton clothing worn by other children. Feels cotton. Notices color. Discovers soft texture. Understands that the fabric in his clothing is made from this. and "cotton cloth." Sees the difference between the Understands the boll grows and is picked and made into cloth. Discovers that cotton is a plant. Asks questions about illustrations. May be able to supply some information, if he and his family have

Learns that cotton grows where it is hot and moist. Learns to locate

Feels proud to contribute infor-

lived in a southern state.

mation to class.

May or may not be familiar with the name of a southern state.

Why can't we grow cotton in New York?

What has to be done to the cotton so that it can be made into clothes?

Who will make the cloth into clothes for us to wear?

Who do you know in your family who works in a clothing factory?

To deepen children's understanding that other products we use are made in factories in parts of the United States; e.g. automobiles.

Selects a few illustrations to show automobiles in process of production.

What It Takes to Make Your Car, Automobile Manufacturers Association, Inc., Educational Services, 320 New Center Building, Detroit, Michigan, 48202.

(Single copies free to teachers. Illustrated 48-page book for teacher reference, useful for showing children illustrations of steps in producing cars.)

THE CHILD

Realizes that our winter weather is too cold for growing cotton.

Sees that it must be made into cloth.

May suggest his mother, the tailor, a factory, etc.

May have heard of some family member who sews in a factory.

Supplies information about automobiles that he may have gained through observation or through discussions at home.



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The child

WE DEPEND ON PEOPLE IN OTHER COUNTRIES WHO GROW OR MAKE THINGS WE NEED Helps children discover that we have become good neighbors of countries, even though they are far away, because they help feed us and we help feed them

Uses a familiar food that is imported as an example; e.g., cocoa.

Arranges cooking experience of preparing warm cocoa as a treat on a cold day, to take the place of the ususual cold snack.

Why would we like to have something warm and sweet to drink on this chilly day?
Who has had cocoa to drink at

Who has had cocoa to drink a home?

What do we need to prepare cocoa in school?

Provides needed equipment and materials; e.g.,

Hot Plate, Item No. 53-2503, p. 66 Double Boiler, Item No. 62-1201,p.28 Paper cups, Item No. 78-5361, p. 35 Ladle, Item No. 70-3191, p.33

"G-1" List, General Supplies, Board of Education of the City of New York, 1966-67.

Supplies sugar and cocoa. Uses milk that would otherwise be used at snack time.

Makes certain that cocoa is served warm rather than hot.

Shows box in which cocoa was packed.

How did the cocoa get into this
box in our store?

Explains that it comes from a bean that grows on a tree in a hot country called Brazil.

Displays map to show from what great distance cocoa comes to us, or displays

Hershey's Educational Wall Chart, about
Chocolate and cocoa.

Anticipates with pleasure active participation in food preparation.

Thinks that it would make him feel warm.

Notices that some children drink cocoa at home.

Enumerates items he has seen hismother use.

Helps to assemble equipment. Observes health and safety rules; e.g., washes hands before food preparation.

Assists in measuring and mixing.

Watches and stirs cocoal as it warms.

Enjoys drinking the cocoa in company of other children.

Curiosity is aroused.

Learns that the cocoa bean grew on a tree. Hears name of a country unfamiliar to him. Repeats name.

Watches teacher locate Brazil.

(One chart per teacher may be secured free of charge from Hershey Chocolate Corporation, Educational Department, 19 East Chocolate Ave., Hershey, Pennsylvania 17033.)

Answers questions aroused by pictures on chart.

Recites poem to emphasize the many items in our stores that come from other lands.

Elizabeth J. Coatsworth,
"To Think!" Saturday Review.
To think I once saw grocery shops
With but a casual eye
And fingered figs and apricots
As one who came to buy.

To think I never dreamed of how Bananas sway in rain, And often looked at oranges, Yet never thought of Spain.

And in those wasted days I saw No sails above the tea, For grocery shops were grocery shops-Not hemispheres to me.

Explains meaning of words and phrases; e.g., casual eye, fingered, bananas sway, wasted days, sails above the tea, hemispheres.

How can the rain make bananas sway?

Why did the poet think of Spain when he saw oranges?

How would tea come to us from Japan? Would there be sails on the ship that brought the tea? Asks children if their parents ever send cans of food or clothing to relatives or friends in other lands.

Does anyone ever take packages of food or clothing as gifts when he visits another person near or far? Why are the people in other places so happy to receive food and/or clothing?

THE CHILD

Is aware that cocoa comes from a country far away.

Listens attentively. Tries to discover meaning in the poem. Asks questions about words and meanings with which he is unfamiliar.

Grows in understanding of poetic expression. Understands meaning of poem.

Guess: s that they grow high on trees.

Infers oranges grow in Spain.

Guesses it would come by ship. Understands we have engine day not sails, to make ships go.

May have heard of CARE packages. May have seen parents prepare packages to send.

May take gifts to family on visit to Puerto Rico, etc.

May say they need or like American foods and clothing.



THE CHILD

WHAT HAPPENS TO PEOPLE IN OTHER COUNTRIES IS IMPORTANT TO AND AFFECTS US IN THE UNITED STATES

Tries to make children aware that there are ways in which we can help poor people in other countries.

At Hallowe'en, suggests that children use their "Trick or Treat" money to send to poor children in other countries through UNICEF (United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund).

Shows UNICEF pictures of children from other countries whom we help.

Going To School Around The World.

For All Children
New York: UNESCO Publications

(Each title includes black and white photographs with suggestions for discussion on reverse side.)

Discusses the reasons children in other lands may need our help. What happens to the children if there is not enough food where they live?

What can we do to help children who get sick in villages where there are no doctors, nurses, or medicine?

Learns that we care about other people even though they may live far away.

May bring money for UNICEF to class.

Understands that he and other children are pooling their money to send to poor children in foreign lands.

Feels empathy with other children. Wants to help.

Understands that the children are in need.

Thinks children would be hungry.

May suggest sending medicine or money to pay for doctor to go there.



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THE CHILD

Helps children discover that their satisfaction in helping people is the best reward. Tells story to illustrate value of good deeds.

Watty Piper, The Little Engine That Could, New York: Platt and Munk Co., Inc., 1954.

(Through perseverance and hard work Little Engine manages to get the toys to the children.)

Why did Little Engine work so hard?

How did he feel when he made the children happy?

Now do you feel after you have helped someone?

How can we help people we don't know?

Appreciates the effort Little Engine made to get over the mountain.

Understands that Little Engine wanted to help.

Realizes that Little Engine was happy.

May recall that he felt proud, happy, big, or important.

Recalls what he has learned about UNICEF.
Suggests sending money for UNICEF to distribute to those who need help.

Clarifies that many people who live in the United States came here from other countries because there were better chances for them to find jobs here.

How many children have grandparents here who were born in another country?

Whose parents were born in another country?

How could we find out why they came to the United States to live?

Invites parent or grandparent as resource person to answer children's questions about conditions in his former country that made him want to leave it to come to the United States.

Realizes that many people were born in another land.

Suggests that we ask them why they came.

THE CHILD

WE LEARN FROM PEOPLE IN OTHER PLACES AND THEY LEARN FROM US

Introduces song about how children say hello in other countries. Changes language and countries to meet community interest.

Understands that people in other lands greet one another as we do. Is proud to be able to say something in another language.

Doris Kellog, "How Would You Say Hello?" Magic of Music, New York: Ginn and Co., 1965, p.7. (See Figure 2.)

Figure 2.

How Would You Say Hello?





If you went to Puerto Rico to visit friends or family, how would you say hello to them?

What might they say to you?

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How would you travel to Puerto Rico?

What food might your family or friends prepare for you in Puerto Rico?

Why might you invite them to visit you?

What would you take visitors to see in New York?

To what American food might you treat them if you were at the beach, park, or etc. with them?

What did you learn from them?

What did they learn from you?

How did each learn these things from one another?

What other ways are there of learning from people who live far away?

Brings to children's attention that we can learn more from other people if we can understand their language.

Shows pictures and reads words pertaining to them in other languages.

Antonio Frasconi, See and Say, New York: Harcourt, Brace, and Company, 1955.

(A picture book in four languages; English, Italian, French, and Spanish.)

Pronounces foreign words slowly and distinctly.

Encourages individual children to repeat word.

Asks child to say the word in English.

Suggests that children practice some words by telling them to their parents.

Helps child become aware of other ways in which he can share his learnings with other people.

Tells story adapted from Kathryn Gallant, The Flute Player at Beppu, New York: Coward-McCann, Inc., 1960. Recalls the correct phrase from the song.

If Spanish speaking, may volunteer other words.

Some child who has gone may recall that he went by airplane.

May name arroz con pollo, beans and rice, bananas, etc.

May wish to see them soon, or wish them to see where he lives.

May say Coney Island, the zoo, or other places of interest to him.

May suggest hot dogs, potato chips, etc.

Tells Spanish words and foods he learned.

Tells American foods and places they learned about.

Realizes that it was by visiting in each other's country.

May suggest pictures, books, films, records.

Looks at picture and listens intently to foreign word for object protrayed.

Learns that people have different languages but the meaning is the same.

Develops his ability to hear sounds and reproduce them.

Imitates pronunciation.

Knows the meaning in English.

Is pleased to say a few words in a foreign



(Sato-San, a Japanese boy in the village of Beppu, loves the music of a flute so much that he wishes to learn how to play one. The flute player teaches him and permits him to accompany him throughout the countryside playing beautiful music.)

What is a flute? (Shows one if possible.)

Why did everyone love the flute player?

What did Sato-San think of when he heard the music?

If you had heard Sato-San play, what might you have learned?

Would you like to learn a Japanese song so that you would know how Japanese music sounds?

Listens to record with children. Calls children's attention to sound of flute in recording.

"Japanese Rain Song," Record II, Making Music Your Own, Morristown, New Jersey: Silver Burdett Records, 1966.

Sings song in English with children to accompaniment of record or uses music book and plays accompaniment on piano.

"Japanese Rain Song," Making Music Your Own, Morristown, New Jersey: Silver Burdett Company, 1966, p. 68.

How did we learn about something Japanese children do?

How could you teach Japanese children about American music?

Develops awareness that American singers and actors do go to foreign countries to sing American songs and to play American music.

What American song do you think people in far away countries might like to hear?

Why do you think that they would like to hear a musician play it?

In what other ways in addition to records and a live performance could people far away hear or see American actors and musicians.

Learns that it is a musical instrument.

Learns that everyone loves music.

Understands that he thought of beautiful things.

May have learned how Japanese music sounds.

Is curious to hear Japanese music.

Hears the sound of the flute.

Listens with interest. Enjoys the melody.

Sings with teacher and other children.

Knows that he is singing an English version of a song sung by Japanese children.

Realizes he learned about Japanese music by listening to it on a record player.

Suggests that he could send a recording of an American song to Japan.

Names a song which seems suitable to him.

Thinks a musician could play or sing it well.

May suggest radio, T.V., or films.

Discovers that there are many ways of finding out about other countries.



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To satisfy children's curiosity about how to travel from one place to another.

Nickolas Charles, How Do You Get From Here to There? New York: The Macmillan Company, 1962.

(The story asks humorous questions in verse about transportation.)

Shows pictures of French family. Invites comments.

"Triving in France," Families
Around the World. Morristown,
New Jersey: Silver Burdett.

(Twelve different illustrations of French family life.)

Who would like to learn something that French children learn?

Plays two or three simple songs from record of French folksongs.
Replays song children prefer.

French Children's Songs (No.F08003), Folkways Records, 165 West 46 Street, New York, N.Y. 10036.

Encourages children to/sing along in French with record.

How did we learn to sing a French song?

To whom will you sing the song when you go home?

Provides globe.

Calls attention to oceans and seas as differentiated by color on globe from land.

Locates France for children.

Helps children locate the United States.

What lies between the United States and France?

How could we travel to France?

Why can't we go by train?

THE CHILD

Enjoys humor of story. Realizes there are many ways to travel.

Asks questions about pictures that interest him most.

Comments on similarities.

Is interested in finding out something about other children.

Listens intently to strange language. Chooses song he likes best.

Sings along, imitating voice on record.

Realizes he learned from a record.

Understands that he can share his learnings.

Finds oceans and seas by their color.

Spans distance between United States and France with hands.

Notices the ocean.

Suggests a ship, jet, or airplane.

Realizes trains can't cross oceans.

SUGGESTED LEARNING ACTIVITIES

THEME E: WE ADAPT TO CHANGE

Introduction

Changes occur in the home, school, and community continuously. Some changes, such as moving to a new home or the arrival of a new baby, may have a direct effect upon the lives of children. The experiences in this theme, "We Adapt to Change," aim to help the child adjust to changes which may confront him and to develop a flexible attitude toward change in general.

The teacher guides the child in understanding the natural causes; e.g., seasons and weather, that change family needs and way of life. The child becomes aware that as he grows, he, too, changes. The changes in his physical growth are accompanied by changes in his abilities and in the expectations for him in the home and in school.

As he realizes the inevitability of some changes, he understands the role of family guidance and leadership exercised by his parents to help him meet these changes. He appreciates the pleasures that can be derived from doing things together as a united family group.

THE TEACHER

MANY CHANGES OCCUR IN FAMILIES

Uses a child's announcement of a new baby or a relative who has come to stay with the family to give some individual attention to the child. Allows the child to talk about the newcomer.

Provides hand puppets for role-play.

Board of Education of New York City, G-1 List.

61-1872 Family members: mother, father, sister, brother, baby (White)

61-1882 Family members: mother, father, sister, brother, baby (Negro)

61-1892 Grandmother (White)

61-1902 Grandmother (Negro)

61-1912 Grandfather (White)

61-1922 Grandfather (Negro)

How can you help the newcomer? How can you find out what he likes to do? What can you share with the newcomer?

Recites humorous verse to show that additions to the family aften have pleasant consequences.

Too Many Presents
My uncle came from France
And brought me a coat.
My aunt came from Spain
And brought me a goat.
My cousin came from Holland
And brought me a boat.
What shall I do
With a coat and a goat and a boat?

THE CHILD

Expresses his feelings and thoughts about the newcomer verbally.

Uses the puppets as a means for expressing his thoughts about the newcomer. Thinks of questions to ask. Decides upon toys or books which could be shared.

Enjoys humor of verse. Is helped to overcome fear of additions to family.



Teaches a song about family changes when a new baby arrives.

"I have a Little Sister,"
"Watching,"
"A Pinky-Winken Baby,"
The Kindergarten Book,
Boston: Ginn and Company, 1949.

Adds a new doll to the playhouse. What name shall we give the doll?

How will you care for the new doll?

How does mother care for a new baby at home?

Provides old magazines, scissors, paste, and paper. Suggests that children cut out the pictures of members in their families.

Helps child understand that the family may extend beyond his immediate home. Provides wooden wedgy figures of a family group including grandparents.

Board of Education of New York City, G-l'List.

61_4242 Family group: Mother, father, boy, girl, grandfather, grandomother (Negro)

61_4252 Family group: Mother, father, boy, girl, grandfather, grandmother (White)

Who are the members of your family who do not live at home?
How often do you visit them?
Do they visit your home?

Reads story and encourages children to talk about grandparents who live with the family or come to visit it.

Helen Buckley, Grandfather and I, New York: Lothrop, Lee & Shepard Co. Inc., 1959. What could you and your grandfather do together?

THE CHILD

Enjoys singing with the group.

Compares newcomers in the song with his own situation.

Is pleased with something new.
Offers name he prefers. Accepts name chosen by majority.
Suggests handling with care, dressing and undressing, putting to sleep in crib, etc.
Relates care of new doll in school to care of new baby at home.

Makes a picture of his own family from magazine illustrations. Considers number, relationship, sex, and size of members of his family.

Uses wedgy figures in the block corner in dramatic play.

Realizes that many relatives, such as grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins may live in other homes. Begins to use terms, such as last week, last month, yesterday. Relates an experience about when a relative visited his home.

Understands that in some families grandparents live with the families and in others they visit.

Thinks of something both he and his grand-father like.

FAMILY MEMBERS HAVE JOBS THAT AFFECT FAMILY LIFE

Provides for the extension of the housekeeping center of interest to help the child understand that family members have jobs and responsibilities. Includes male and female clothing in the housekeeping area.

Encourages children to look for pictures which show family members working inside the home or outside the home at jobs.

Uses pictures for a chart, such as "Mother's Work" or "Jobs for Father."

Dramatizes responsibilities of family members. Holds conversations with other children about jobs for family members.

Makes use of his knowledge about jobs and responsibilities.
Begins to classify jobs.

Helps children dramatize the changes that occur in family routines during a day.

Who is home for lunch?
Who is home for dinner?
When are there many people in the house?
When are there few people at home?

What do you do on a school day?

What do you do on a holiday?

Reads story to help children see how members of the family must adapt their routines to their work.

Frances R. Horwich and Reinald Werrenrath, Jr., A Day Downtown with Daddy, Chicago: Rand McNally and Company, 1953.

Have you ever gone to work with your Daddy?
What time must your Daddy leave the house?

Uses many stories about what fathers do at work. Discusses with children the varieties of work fathers may do and how it affects the family.

Helen Walker Puner, <u>Daddies</u>, <u>What</u>
<u>They Do All Day</u>, New York: Lothrop,
Lee and Shepard Company, Inc., 1946.
Ruth S. Radlauer, <u>Fathers at Work</u>,
Los Angeles, Cal.: <u>Melmont Publishers</u>,
Inc., 1958.
Book shows fathers who are truck
drivers, jet flyers, gardeners, carpenters, newspaper reporters, etc.

What changes does the family make if Daddy goes to work in another city?

What changes does the family make if Daddy becomes a soldier?

Helps children adapt to changes in home routines if mothers go to work. Reads story about mothers doing useful work at home and away from home.

Dorothy Marino, Where Are The Mothers? Philadelphia: Lippincott, 1959.

Who takes care of you when mother goes to work?

When is mother home from work?

If mother works, how can you help at home?

THE CHILD

Uses housekeeping equipment to cook, set table, etc. for persons at home lunchtime, dinnertime, bedtime, Sundays, etc.

May remember parties or meal time.

Recalls that he and older children go to school.

Is aware that he gets up early, leaves the house, etc.

Realizes that holidays change his routines.

Realizes that people's work affects their daily routines.

May never have thought of going.

Is aware of when his father leaves for work.

Listens to what other fathers do. Tells what his father does.

Becomes aware of many kinds of work.

Suggests the family move there.

Realizes that the family must await his return.

Accepts the idea that some mothers work at home and some away from home.

Tells of changes in home when mother goes out to work.

Understands that she returns home daily.

Realizes that he can be helpful by doing errands, drying dishes, remembering safety rules, etc.



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Helps children understand how changes in the neighborhood or the family cause some families to move or to make changes in living. Suggests problems to be solved by children through dramatic play.

Daddy tells the family he has just received a raise in pay and can afford to spend more on the family. What does the family do?

A new nearby housing development will be ready in a year. The family is now living in an old crowded apartment. What does the family do?

Reads story to help children accept the changes that moving to a new home brings.

Helen T. Hilles, Moving Day, New York: Lothrop Lee & Shepard, 1954.

What made Tim happy in his new house?

How can you make new friends in a strange neighborhood?

Provides felt board, small pieces of paper felt or flock paper, scissors, stapler and old magazines. Suggests that children cut out pictures of furniture, staple small piece of felt or flock paper to back and arrange furniture on felt board as they wish it

OUR LIFE IN SCHOOL CHANGES

to be in new house.

Plans visit to other grades in school to introduce children to other teachers. Before the trip, clarifies reason for changes.

When you are promoted, what are some of the changes that may occur?

Which teachers do your big brothers and sisters have?

On what floors are their classrooms?

What school do the big girls and boys attend when they leave this school?

(sister) is now, where will you go to school?

THE CHILD

Begins to realize the many different causes of changes in family living.

May show that the family buys a car, moves to a new apartment, saves for college,

Shows how the family can apply for an apartment in the new building.

Understands that the family was important,

Suggests greeting neighbors, making friends in school, etc.

Gains skill in manipulative activity. Understands that he is to find and cut out pictures of furniture. Enjoys arranging and rearranging furniture. Appreciates different arrangements by other children.

Sees that change can be pleasant.

Suggests that he will go to another room, have a different teacher, etc.

Recalls names of other teachers in school.

Realizes that change of room may mean change of location.

Names the school an older sibling attends.

When you are as old as your big brother Understands that he, too, will change to another school.

Reads story to point out some changes similar to those that the children have already undergone.

Lee Kingman, Peter's Long Walk, Garden City, New York: Doubleday and Company, Inc., 1953

(A five year old boy walks to school but finds out that school starts only in September.)

Why did Peter want to go to school?

What do you think he did when he was too young to attend school?

What did you do when you were too young to attend school?

Why did you want to come to school?

What do you do in school that is different than what you do at home?

Helps children understand that they assume more responsibility in school as they grow older.

Uses <u>Helper's Chart</u> of children's duties as basis for discussion.

How old do you think your baby brother (sister) would have to be to be able to water plants, arrange the library books, etc.?

What are some of the things you will do when you are older to help younger children in school?

Changes puzzles. Substitutes more difficult puzzles for those which are no longer challenging. Discusses reason for change of materials.

Why are we using different puzzles?

Why is it fun to use something that is not too easy?

Why couldn't we use these puzzles at the beginning of the term?

Brings to children's attention renovations in school building, e.g., installation of sinks, new lighting, painting, addition of prekindergarten room, etc.

Provides blocks to arrange in a representation of the classroom.

How do you think the room looked before the sink was installed?

What changes in furniture arrangement would you like to make to improve our room?

THE CHILD

Sympathizes with Peter's desire to go to school.

Recalls that he was looking for his friends..

Thinks he played with his friends near his home.

Relates own experiences before coming to kindergarten.

May say that he wanted to be with other children, learn, etc.

May say that he goes on trips with class, uses equipment, uses furniture his size.

Understands what the symbols on the chart represent.

Suggests he must be old enough to come to school.

Tells of duties; e.g., crossing guard, monitors, etc.

Is curious about new materials.

Realizes that he knows how to do the former puzzles.

Gains confidence from previous success to try something harder.

Becomes aware that he has changed and can now do more difficult tasks.

Arranges blocks to show floor plan of room.

Removes blocks representing the sink.

Suggests changes he would like. Arranges blocks to demonstrate his suggestions.

Why is it good to show changes on a floor plan or a map before we make them in the room?

THE CHILD

Realizes it is easier to move blocks than furniture. Sees that floor plan shows whole room in small space.

WEATHER AND SEASONS AFFECT FAMILY LIVING

Helps children identify seasons by name. Displays pictures of autumn. Asks questions and refers to the pictures.

What kinds of clothing did we hang up in the closet?

Why do we need to wear this clothing when we are outside?

What do we call this time of the year? What other ways can we tell fall is here?

How is autumn different from summer? From winter? From spring?

Notices that the trees are losing their leaves, children are wearing sweaters, jackets or coats, etc.

Recalls that he has hung up a jacket or sweater.

Tells about the coolness in the air.

Begins to realize that there are seasons. Learns that the present season is called fall or autumn.

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Tells about the leaves on the ground, the many colored leaves which are still on the trees, the shorter day, no more swimming at the beach, school is open for all children, heat may be coming up through the radiators, etc.

Supplies materials for making a doll for all seasons.

Thinks about the kinds of clothing; worn in other seasons; e.g.,

fall = jackets
winter = boots
spring = raincoat

summer - bathing suit

Prepares the class for a walk to see the colorful foliage in the park and collect leaves of different colors and shapes.

How do trees change in autumn?

Do all leaves change color and fall?

How do they fall from the tree to the ground?

Helps children use their senses to gain fuller understanding about what happens to the leaves. Allows children to feel piles of leaves, describe the odor of the leaves, and walk through the leaves. greens do not change color or fall.

Begins to use descriptive language.

Remembers that he has seen red, yellow, or

Learne that some trees, such as the ever-

Begins to describe what he sees, smells, feels, and hears.

There are red, yellow, orange, brown, and green leaves.

They smell like......
They feel like......

orange leaves. Names the colors.

They sound like.....when you walk on them.

Teaches the fingerplay, "Little Leaves,"

Louise Scott and J. Thompson,
Rhymes for Fingers and Flannelboards,
St. Louis: Webster Publishing Co., 1960.

Enjoys learning the finger play.

Plans trips to vegetable store to bring to children's attention the fruits and vegetables available at different seasons.

Arranges first trip to identify fruits and vegetables in October or November. Calls attention to pumpkins, winter squash, apples, cranberries as being

Purchases cranberries (or pumpkin, depending on date of trip).

On return to school, permits children to wash hands and to examine whole, raw cranberries.

at their best in cold weather.

Discusses the appearance of the cranberries with children.

Helps children prepare cranberry sauce.

Why do we wash the berries before cooking?
Why do we add sugar?

Prepares chart. Reads to children. Cranberry Sauce Recipe

4 cups cranberries
2 cups sugar
1 cup water

Helps children serve and eat sauce on plain crackers. Notes the season for fresh cranberries.

Arranges another trip to same vegetable store in June to help children identify other vegetables and fruits not on display in winter; e.g., strawberries, watermelon.

Prepares a Four Seasons Chart on foods.

Labels the chart - Autumn, Winter, Spring,
Summer. Suggests that children color and
cut out fruits and vegetables they have
seen on their trips or while marketing
with mother. Encourages children to
help one another to place the cut-outs
in the proper column.

Recites poem about seasons.

Robert Louis Stevenson, "Sing a Song of Seasons," Child's Garden of Verses, New York: Scribner, 1905.

"Sing a song of seasons! Something bright in all! Flowers in the summer Fires in the fall."

Discusses meaning of the poem.

THE CHILD

Knows that he is going to a store to observe the fruits and vegetables.

Names those items with which he is familiar.

Learns to recognize and identify by name some items previously unknown to him.

Learns appearance and name of cranberries and that they are available in cold weather.

Understands why he must wash his hands before handling food.

Uses descriptive words; e.g., shiny, red, round, hard, smooth, etc.

Recalls rules about for I handling.
May wish to taste a raw cranberry to find out how sour it is.

Learns that a recipe is similar to rules of what and how much to use.

Enjoys eating what he has helped to make. Verbalizes about the taste. Names the season when fresh cranberries are available.

Looks for items he has not seen on previous visit.
Understands that some are available only in summer.

Draws upon his observations in the vegetable store to reproduce fruits and vegetables.

Discusses with other children where items belong on chart.

Listens to the teacher say the poem. Learns the poem and enjoys saying it,



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THE CHILD

Shows film which illustrates autumn through the eyes of two children.

"Autumn Is An Adventure," (11 minutes), Board of Education, City of New York: Instructional Films and Tapes, p. 14.

What is happening to the leaves on the trees? What colors are the leaves?

What do we mean by harvest time?

What season comes after autumn?

Reruns the film after asking:

How do the animals get ready for winter?
How do the children get ready for winter?
How does your family get ready for winter?

Reads story about changes in seasons.

Terry Shannon, <u>Come Summer</u>, <u>Come</u> <u>Winter</u>, Racine, <u>Wis</u>.: Whitman, 1956,

Reinforces idea that weather and seasons affect needs of animals and of people.

Shows picture "The Gray Squirrel", from the Picture Story Study Print Set, Wild Animals Group (I-SP 103), Chicago: Society for Visual Education Inc.

Discusses how the squirrel's color and thickness of fur changes with the season. Asks why the squirrels store muts for winter use.

Teaches the Japanese game, "Squirrels Want a Hole," Nina Millen Children's Games From Many Lands, New York: Friendship Press, 1943,

Chooses a few children to be trees. They stand in different parts of the room. From the remaining children chooses one child for each tree with one extra. These are the squirrels. Each squirrel chooses a tree to stand beside. The extra one stands in the center of the room and counts, "One two, three." When "three" is said, the "squirrels" in the "trees" must run out and go into a "tree." If music is used, the squirrel may"play" around picking up nuts or burying them to music; but at a heavy chord from the piano, all scramble for a tree.

Looks attentively at the film.

Remembers the changes and tells about them in sequential order. Understands the meaning of harvest and uses the word as he discusses the gathering of foods.

Looks for answers to the questions.

Makes mental notes of the answers.

Thinks of other questions as he watches the film.

Remembers activities at home, such as lengthening hems on coats that are indicative of preparation for winter.

Understands how seasons affect activities.

Learns to observe details in picture.

Identifies squirrel. Tells of where he has seen a squirrel.

Describes color of fur in picture.

Learns how squirrel prepares for winter.

Surmises that there is a scarcity of available food in winter for the squirrel.

Enjoys the activity.
Imitates the squirrel's actions.
Keeps to the rules of the game.
Becomes aware that it is a game.
Japanese children play in their country.

Selects short verses appropriate to the season to say with the children.

Lois Lenski, <u>I Like Winter</u>, New York: Oxford University Press, 1950. Now Its Fall, 1948.

On a Summer Day, 1953.

Spring Is Here, 1945.

Seasons Affect Employment

Makes children aware that some people may be out of work because the kind of work they do is seasonal.

Plans an interview with the custodian about building preparations for fall. Helps children formulate questions.

What questions do we want to ask the custodian?

Reviews questions and answers after the interview.

Helps children think of other jobs which must be done during certain seasons.

Who delivers the oil to the school?
What kind of work does the farmer do during the winter?

What happens to fruit pickers when it is too cold for fruit to grow?

Who takes care of the pickers when they have no work to do?

Why can't the construction worker finish the building in cold winter weather?

What happens to the lifeguards at the beaches when winter comes?

What do the men who shovel snow do when there is no snow?

Arranges pantomime game. "Guess What Work I Do. Guess the season."

THE CHILD

Has fun repeating the simple verses.

Gains greater awareness of change of seasons. Knows the name of each season. Can connect appropriate activities with each season.

Learns that people's work is affected by change in season.

Thinks of what the custodian does as a school helper.

What do you (custodian) do to get ready for fall?
Why must you fix broken windows?
Why must you chack the heating unit?

Realizes that some jobs are seasonal, other jobs require more work during some seasons, some jobs change emphasis according to the season.

Becomes aware that the picker may be out of work.

Learns that the government helps them until they find work.

Realizes the ground is frozen.

May know some young men who go to college in winter.

May recognize that he cleans for streets or parks.

Participates in pantomime and in guessing season.

THE CHILD

Seasons Affect Family Fun

Encourages children to draw a picture of the things they enjoy most with their families.

Helps children classify pictures into activities done in spring and summer, and those in fall and winter.

Why don't you watch television so much in summer?
Why do you go to the beach in summer?
Why don't you go on picnics in winter?
When do you go to the park?
When do you fly a kite?

Conducts a discussion about indoor activities.

Why don't we spend as much time outdoors in autumn as we did during the summer?
What do you do when you can't play outdoors?

In June, plans an autdoor picnic with children and parents.

Plans with parents and children about type of lunch to be taken and clothing to be worn. Why can't we carry milk when the weather is warm? What equipment shall we take with us for games? What shall we take to drink? Why will we need nore juice in summer than we would in winter? What shall we wear so that we may sit on the ground? Why couldn't we go on a picnic in the winter?

Discusses with children other leisure activities their families plan for summer.

Depicts a family leisure time activity.

Becomes aware of the season when the family enjoyed activity.

Realizes that he is outdoors more often in summer.

Remembers that the weather is warm enough for swimming.

Realizes the cold would make it uncomfortable.

Realizes that we have daylight for shorter periods now than during the summer.

Tells about indoor activities such as: drawing, playing games, reading, watching television. Relates experiences about inviting friends to spend a day, having parties and playing games with family members.

Is pleased to make plans with adults.

Realizes that the milk may sour.

Suggests balls, jump ropes, hoops, etc.

May decide upon a fruit juice. Is aware that he is thirstier when it is hot.

Understands that he must wear clothing suitable for outdoor play.

Realizes that seasons and weather affect fun.

May suggest swimming, camping, fishing.

Listens to activities related by other children.

Learns how other families use their summer leisure.

SUGGESTED LEARNING ACTIVITIES

THEME F: WE OBSERVE SPECIAL DAYS TOCKTHER AT HOME AND IN SCHOOL

The young child is most conscious of days that are "special" for him and in which he is the center of attention; e.g., his birthday, his first day at school, the day he wears eyeglasses. "Special days" for his family also concern him; e.g., moving day, a wedding, observance of a religious holiday. In school, his horizons are extended to include "special days" in commemoration of persons whose achievements are recognized by the nation.

Too often the young child participates in a celebration with little knowledge of the reason for the occasion. It is a responsibility of the school to awaken the child to the awareness that he is an American and lives in the United States. With his classmates, he learns the names and deeds of some of the people who helped the country flourish.

Among these heroes and heroines of the past are members of minority groups who contributed to this country's greatness. In addition to the better known heroes of the past, the birthdays and achievements of Americans of many races and national origins should be included.

Responsible and patriotic citizenship is developed early in the child's school life. The democratic atmosphere of the kindergarten classroom rests upon the recognition of the importance of each individual and the respect accorded what he has to say. When each child is an alert participant in the activities of the class, he is on the road to becoming an interested participant in community and political life in his adult years.

Observance of American tradition and knowledge of American history are encouraged through celebration of important events of our country's past.

THE TEACHER

Recalls birthday celebrations held in the classroom or at home.

How did you celebrate?
Why did you celebrate?
What does a birthday mean?

Reinforces meaning of a birthday celebration. Reads a birthday story.

Myra Cohn Livingston, Happy Birthday, New York: Harcourt, Brace and World, Inc., 1964.

How did the child in the story celebrate?
When will her next birthday come?
When will your next birthday come?

How old will you be then? How might you celebrate?

Asks children to tell of family gatherings they attended.

Reads a traditional nursery rhyme about an unusual wedding celebration.

"The Happy Courtship: Merry Marriage and Picnic Dinner of Cock Robin and Jennie Wren," Iona and Peter Opie, A Family Book of Nursery Ryhmes, New York: Oxford University Press, 1964, p.36.

THE CHILD

Tells of his experience.

May say he likes fun.

Realizes it means that he is a year older.

Enjoys listening to a story about a birth-day.

Gets new ideas for ways to celebrate.

Describes the game played.

Learns that it will come next year. Reasons that his birthdays are a year apart.
Tells how old he will be.
Imagines ways of celebrating.

May tell of wedding, christening, Bar Mitzvah, etc.

Recognizes and enjoys the humor of the rhyme.

Gets some idea of a wedding ceremony.



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How did The Cock let the neighbors know it was Robin's wedding day?

How did you know you were invited to a wedding?

How did all the birds and animals celebrate?

What did you do at the wedding you attended?

If you have never been to a wedding, why would you like to go to one?

Suggests that children in housekeeping area arrange a party in honor of some occasion. Provides colored cloth for table. Suggests that children make paper flowers to decorate the house. Supplies colored tissue paper and pipe cleaners for making flowers.

What is the family celebrating? What are some of the ways in which we celebrate special occasions?

In what other ways can we observe special events outdoors with many other people?

When do we display the American flag in our windows?

Whose birthday do we honor by displaying a flag?

Supplies names if children cannot.

OUR FLAG HAS A SPECIAL MEANING.

Displays an American flag.

Calls attention to its colors and to its design of stripes and stars on a blue field.

Shows how flag is held, never permitting it to touch the ground. Provides accessible place for keeping flag.

Uses choral speaking to dramatize and emphasize respect for flag. Explains why flag is called "Old Glory."

THE CHILD

Recalls that the Cock crowed to invite everyone.

May think the invitation came by phone or mail.

Tells of their dancing and eating.

Recalls the incidents at the wedding he attended.

Is enthused by other children's descriptions. Thinks that he would like to see a wedding.

Enjoys idea of arranging a party.

Accepts colored cloth as something special. Makes simple flowers.

Learns that flowers are a way of marking a special occasion.

May decide on new baby, birthday, etc. Generalizes that we eat special foods, decorate the house, use our good dishes, wear our best clothes.

May remember picnics, parades, waving flags, etc.

May think it is when soldiers parade.

Learns that we display flag for president's birthdays; e.g., Washington and Lincoln.

Names colors.
Notes red stripes, white stripes, gold stars, blue field.

Takes turns in carrying flag and in returning it to its place.

Participates in choral speaking and dramatization with flag.

1st child: I love our flag.
Others: We love our flag.

2nd child: I'll wave it high.
Others: We'll wave it high.

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THE TEACHER

THE CHILD

3rd Child: I'll never let it touch the

ground.

Others: We'll never let it touch the

ground.

4th Child: Because you are our own dear

flag, I'll sing to you, Old

Glory.

Others: We'll sing to you.

5th Child: I'll lower it at end of day and

fold it carefully away.

Sings enthusiastically with class.

June Norton, "Our Flag," Sing and Be Happy, New York: The John Bay Company, 1935, 1951. (See Figure 3.)

Shares teacher's enthusiasm in singing about the flag.

Takes class outdoors to see flag on school building. Walks to post office to see flag displayed on front of building.

Takes special notice that not all neighborhood buildings display flags.

Why do we have a flag on the school?

Why is there a flag on the post office?

When are the flags taken down?

Upon return, suggests that children construct school, neighborhood houses, and post office with blocks. Supplies small American flags for public buildings.

Learns that it is because the school is a public building owned by all Americans.

Infers that the post office is also owned by all Americans.

May have seen them lowered at sundown.

Identifies public buildings with flags.

Tells story of Betsy Ross,

Draws picture of first flag on chalk-board.

How is the picture different from the flag we use today?

Explains significance of the number of stars and stripes.

Encourages children to try to draw a flag.

Staples each flag to a slat for children's use in a parade.

Plays on piano or sings, "Yankee Doodle."

Lila Belle Pitts et al, <u>The Kindergarten Book</u>, Boston: Ginn and Company, 1949, p.89.

Supplies flags for marchers in parade. Gives leader a drum.

Celebrates Flag Day on June 14th, the anniversary of the adoption of our national flag by Congress in 1777. Observes as teacher draws.

Becomes aware that it is possible to draw a picture of a flag. Notes the many stars in rows in the current flag.

Draws his version of our flag.

Sings as he marches in time to the music.

Knows that he is rednacting a parade.

Learns why it is called "Flag Day." Notices flag display in shops, windows, school.



Figure 3.

"Our Flag "

June Norton, Sing and Be Happy, New York: The John Day Company, 1935, 1951



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OUR COUNTRY HAS GROWN

Helps children understand the difference in houses long ago and today.

Shows picture of a log cabin and compares it with a picture of apartment houses today.

How many families lived in the log cabin?

How many families live in the apartment house?

Where did the people who lived in the log cabin get water for cooking, drinking, and washing?

Where do we get our water?

What did they use for light at night?

How do we get light at night?

Helps children make candles from nubbins of wax crayons.

Melts nubbins of discarded crayons over low heat. Uses piece of string for wick. Pours melted wax around wick in a small juice can, leaving wick free at one end. Unmolds, when solidified.

Helps children understand differences in means of communication long ago and today.

Tells story of Paul Revere who rode on horseback to warn the people that the enemy was coming.

How would we send news quickly today?

Did people have telephones long ago?

How could they send messages?

If they wrote letters, how would the letters be delivered?

Recites poem, "Long, Long Ago."

Long, long ago in our own land Just wooden cabins used to stand.

Long, long ago the deer and bear Roamed in the woodland here and there.

Long, long ago when schools were few How did the children learn what to do?

Encourages children to draw pictures of what they think America looked like, long long ago.

THE CHILD

Notes differnces in number and height of houses.

Thinks it big enough for one family.

Estimates a large number.

May have heard of a well.

Thinks we turn on the faucet.

May have heard of candles.

Knows we switch on the electricity.

Understands how people had to supply own candles long ago.

Enjoys making a candle to take home to his family.

Learns of another brave American.

Suggests we telephone, telegraph, go by car, etc.

Realizes there were no telephones.

May suggest they send smoke or drum signals as the Indians did.

Learns that a man on horseback would have to carry them.

Listens to poem.
Repeats poem with class.

Expresses his idea of how people lived in America long, long ago.

THE CHILD

THE TEACHER

THERE ARE MANY AMERICAN HEROES
Helps children understand for what deeds some
Americans have become famous.
Shows pictures of famous men who may be
familiar to children; e.g., George Washington,
John Kennedy, Abraham Lincoln, Albert Einstein
Martin Luther King.
Reads or tells story about an American
hero from a minority group.

Ezra Jack Keats, John Henry; An American Legend, New York: Pantheon, 1965.

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How did John Henry show that he had courage?
How did he help our country grow?

Uses "The Negro Heritage Library Calendar" or similar calendar as supplement to larger classroom calendar and as reminder and resource for herself of birthdays of famous Negroes past and present.

Negro Heritage Library Calendar, Educational Heritage, Inc., 933 Yonkers Avenue Yonkers, New York, (30 cents each).

Arranges trip to see statue of a famous person.

Makes certain children are informed of his name and deeds before the trip.

Becomes informed of airports, bridges, parks, and streets in community which are named after famous persons; e.g., Washington Avenue, Kosciusko Street, Madison Avenue, Kennedy Airport.

Informs children of full name of person and why we honor him by naming a park or street after him.

Reads children's names aloud from roll book. Takes note of children who are named after famous persons.

Asks each child in class if he were named in honor of someone else.

Suggests the class rename the dolls in the housekeeping area after famous people.

Shows children the name of the school on a plaque in the building. Reads it aloud with them.

THE CHILD

Identifies hero by name and reason for fame.

Listens attentively. Realizes it is a true story.

Looks at illustrations.
Observes John Henry's strength.
Admires John Henry for his courage.

Observes picture on calendar. Learns what the person portrayed has done to be so honored.

Realizes we honor heroes by erecting statues.

Hears street, etc., names which are familiar locations.
Understands that the names are names of famous people.

Learns that we honor people by naming streets, parks, etc., after them.

Learns that we honor people by naming children after them.

Gives the dolls names of heroes and heroines. Becomes familiar with names as he uses them in referring to the dolls.

Learns that we honor people by naming schools after them.

Learns for whom his school is named.

Says the name aloud.

Informs children of that this person did to deserve the honor given him.

Arranges many activities in the ongoing program which acquaint children with the contributions of American heroes. Efforts should be made to include people of the many minority groups, such as Germans, Greeks, Irish, Italians, Catholics, Jews, Chinese, Negroes.

Reads story of Christopher Columbus.

Martha Shapp, Let's Find Out About
Columbus, New York: Watts Inc., 1964.

How did Columbus get to the new world?
On what kind of ship did Columbus sail?

How long did the voyage take? Did Columbus know where he was going?

Sings song about Columbus.

"Columbus", Wilson, Ehret et al. Growing With Music, Englewood Cliffs, N. J.: Prentice-Hall, Inc., 1966, p. 154.

Compares story of early explorers with present day astronauts.

How do the astronauts travel in space? • Do the astronauts know where they are going?

Teaches song about rocket ship.

"My Rocket Ship,"
Adeline McCall, This is Music for Kindergarten and Nursery School, Rockleigh, N.J.:
Allyn and Bacon, Inc., 1965, p. 67.

Encourages children to make a simple rocket ship.

Provides cardboard rolls, silver foil, scissors, construction paper and tape.

THE CHILD

Understands the contribution to our country made by the person for whom the school is named.

Learns that we honor many people for the things that they have done.

Becomes aware that Columbus was a man who found America.

Learns that Columbus and his men were brave and endured many hard-ships in crossing the ocean.

Infers that it must have taken a long time. Realizes that Columbus did not know what country he would find.

Enjoys learning song about Columbus as a little boy and the adventures he had when he grew up.

Sees relationship between early explorations to new countries and present day flights in space.

Sings song and engages in dramatic play related to spacemen, rockets, count-down, etc.

Enjoys making miniature rocket ship,

twisted foil point

cardboard roll covered with silver fril

construction paper stand

THE CHILD

Tells legend about a well-known American hero.

Aliki Brandenberg, George and the Cherry Tree, New York: The Dial Press, 1964.

(Retelling of the legend about George Washington, with colorful illustrations)

How can you tell that George lived long ago?
What was the present George's father gave him?
Why was that a good present for a boy long ago?
Why wouldn't it be a good present for a boy who loves in a city now?
Why did George choose the cherry tree to chop down?
Why didn't George's father punish him?

Tells that some people celebrate someone's birthday by writing a poem to him just as Phillis Wheatley, the Negro poetess did for George Washington. Shows pictures of Phillis Wheatley and of George Washington.

"Phillis Wheatley" in <u>Pictures of</u>
<u>Distinguished Negroes</u>, The Associated
<u>Publishers</u>, 1538 N.W. Washington D.C.
20001.

George Washington, painted by Gilbert Stuart, The New York Historical Society, Central Park West at 77 Street New York Gity. Price: ten cents for postcard size.

Encourages children to make up a story or rhyme about current holiday. Writes rhymes or stories down as told by children. Reads to children at another time or on request.

Learns that the George of the story grew up to be our first President.

Notices manner of dressing.

Recalls that it was a hatchet.

Infers that people chopped wood for their fires.

Realizes that we do not need to chop wood.

Thinks that it was small enough for him to chop.

Understands that the father respected George for telling the truth.

Learns that making up a poem or song to honor someone is another form of œlebration.

Feels confident in composing verse or story with help from classmates. Enjoys hearing his verse and that of ;his friends.



THE CHILD

WE PROMISE TO BE GOOD AMERICANS

Invites an older group of children to come to the kindergarten to demonstrate the Pledge of Allegiance, the salute to the flag, and the singing of "America."

Is impressed by the ceremony.

Explains that all people stand out of respect and love for the flag.

Learns to stand during the flag ceremony.

Next day, asks if class would like to salute the flag as the older children did.

Desires to do as older children do.

Reviews procedures.

Explains that "pledge allegiance" means we promise to love our country.

Relates flag to our country.

Shows how we salute the flag when we pledge allegiance.

Imitates the salute.

Enunciates clearly in reciting pledge of allegiance.

Listens and watches.

Encourages children to join in saying the pledge.

Says those words he can.

Chooses different child each time to hold flag for this ceremony.

Appreciates the honor of holding the flag.

Substitutes "Our Flag" or other simple flag song for "America."

Remembers and sings "Our Flag."

Arranges a "clean-up" trip through school corridors or to nearby playground to pick up litter as a way of showing that we are good Americans.

Cooperates in keeping school or playground clean. Is aware that this is being a good American.

Discusses ways in which children can be good Americans.

Becomes aware that obeying laws and aiding community helpers are ways of being a good American.

How can we help the policeman keep people safe?

May suggest obeying traffic lights, etc.

How can we help the custodian keep the school clean and safe?

May suggest depositing litter in designated receptacles, etc.

How can we help the fireman?

Suggests ringing alarm only when there is a fire, etc.

How can we be good Americans to the people in our classroom?

May suggest that we be friendly to every child.

Sings song about America.

Enjoys expressing through song that he is a good American.

Ruth Bampton, "To America," Singing for Fun, New York: Mills Music, Inc., 1947, p. 23.



WE CELEBRATE AMERICAN HOLIDAYS

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Helps children to see relationship between important events in their lives and holidays that are celebrated in honor of national heroes.

> Shows pictures of Washington, Lincoln, parades, etc. Picture Set A 866, Holidays Theme, Elgin, Illinois: David C. Cook Publishing Company. (12 full color pictures and 12 resource sheets)

> Do you know the names of these famous Americans?

Why are they called heroes?

Adapts stories of Washington and Lincoln to acquaint children with some of the contributions of these men.

Ingri and Edgar D'Aulaire,

George Washington, New York:

Doubleday, 1936.

Shows pictures of men in the armed forces.

Do we ever honor people whose names we do not know?

Discusses such holidays as Veteran's day and Memorial day.

How do we honor these heroes?

Distributes rhythm band instruments and small flags. Plays marches on piano or phonograph.

"When Johnny Comes Marching Home." in Mary Jaye et al, Making Music Your Own, Morristown, New Jersey: Silver Burdett Co., 1966, p. 37.

Discusses other ways of celebrating patriotic holidays.

How do we celebrate the fourth of July?

Why are firecrackers dangerous for children?

THE CHILD

Learns that we **telebrate** the birthdays of important people.

Learns to recognize pictures of Washington and Lincoln.

May know that there were presidents of United States.

Listens to stories and relates anecdotes of Washington's and Lincoln's childhood to his own.

Recognizes differences between soldiers, sailors, marines, etc.

Learns that we honor soldiers, sailors, marines, etc. who fought for our country.

Relates stories of men in his family who had been in the army.

May know that there are parades, flags displayed, special songs sung, etc.

Pretends to march in the parade, plays instrument, carries flag, etc.

Listens to music. Sings, marches, plays instruments and engages in dramatic play.

May relate experiences of family picnics, firework demonstrations, etc.

Becomes aware that fireworks are dangerous to himself and to others around him.



Plans many experiences throughout the year to help children gain an understanding of the country's past through the celebration of special events that happened long ago.

Adapts story of the first Thanksgiving.

Wilma Pitchford Hays, Pilgrim
Thanksgiving, New York: CowardMcCann, Inc., 1955

Why did the Pilgrims have a Thanksgiving Dinner?

Whom did the Pilgrim's invite to their first Thanksgiving dinner?

What foods did the Indians and Filgrims eat at the first Thanksgiving?

What foods do we eat today at Thanksgiving?

Distributes magazines, scissors, paper and paste. Encourages children to look for pictures of foods.

Discusses food pictures children have made.

Shows pictures of Pilgrims and Indians.

William Moyers and David C. Cooke, <u>Famous Indian Tribes</u>, New York: <u>Random House</u>, 1954.

What kind of homes did the Indians who lived in the forest build?

Why did the Pilgrims invite the Indians?

Provides paper, crayons, scissors, etc. so that children may make a Pilgrim's hat or Indian headdress.

Displays (in November) picture of "Pilgrims Going to Church," by George H. Boughton. The New York Historical Society. Central Park West at 77th Street, New York City. Postcard size, 10 cents. (See Figure 4.)

THE CHILD

Becomes familiar with national holidays, how they were celebrated in the past and how they are celebrated today.

Listens to story.

Becomes familiar with story of Pilgrim's voyage to the new country.

Is aware that during the first year the Pilgrims were frequently without food.

Realizes that Indians were natives of this country and helped new arrivals.

Enumerates foods such as corn, nuts wild turkeys, etc.

Mentions foods that Mother prepares for present day Thanksgiving.

Cuts out foods he would like for Thanksgiving from old magazines and pastes them on paper.

Becomes aware of differences in food between the Pilgrims' and present day Thanksgiving celebrations.

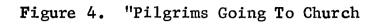
Is aware that Pilgrims and Indians lived in different ways, wore different kinds of clothing and did different kinds of work.

Learns that the Indians had shown the Pilgrims how to get food.

Chooses hat he wishes to make

Enjoys constructing hat.







Where are the Pilgrims going? Why are the men carrying guns to church?

Teaches simple Indian dance
"Indian Dance,"
Harry Wilson et al, Growing
With Music, Englewood Cliffs,
New Jersey: Prentice Hall, Inc.
1966, p. 85

Plans simple dramatization of the first Thanksgiving. Distributes Pilgrim and Indian hats, tom-toms and simple props.

Helps children to see that although we celebrate Thanksgiving a little differently today, we are thankful for many of the same things.

Shows that people in other parts of the world are also thankful for food and shelter.

Francoise, The Thank-You Book, New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1947. (A little French girl thanks all the things in her world that give her job.) Informs children of other holidays. November 19th is Puerto Rican Discovery Day. Christopher Columbus discovered Puerto Rico a long time ago. Although Puerto Rico had been there a long time before, no one had ever found it. Dhristopher Columbus found (Discovered) America too. What did we do in October to celebrate Columbus Day in America? We can celebrate by playing Puerto Rican

music for a party or "fiesta" on

Shows maraccas. We can make our own maraccas to use as Puerto Ricans do. Supplies milk cartons, sticks, rubber

Discovery Day.

bands and dried beans.

THE CHILD

Learns that they are going to church.
Infers that they may be attacked by wild animals.
Enjoys singing Indian song and learning dance.

Participates in dramatization of first Thanksgiving day celbration.

Compares celebration of first Thanksgiving with way his family celebrates.

Understands that the feeling of thankfulness is common to many people in the world.

Learns that discover means "find."

May recall that school was closed and that there was a parade.

Understands celbrate means to take notice of.
Learns "fiesta" means feast or party.
Tries making maraccas in time to Spanish music on piano or record player.

Makes two maraccas.
Joins in song and dances to
celebrate Discovery Day in class.



Rubber band holds stick in place



THE CHILD

Use only about two teaspoons of beans in each carton for best sound. Sings and shows game "Rice and Milk" (Arroz Con Leche), Kathleen Bernath, "Arroz Con Leche,"

Learns meaning and pronunciation of "arroz con leche."

Songs and Games of Puerto Rico,
Department of Labor, 1957. (See Figure 5.)

To play "Arroz Con Leche" children form a circle. Putting the girl who is the first princess in the middle, they sing the chorus to her and she sings her solo to them. As she sings the last two lines, she taps three children. The last one tapped changes places with her as the groups sing the chorus.

Children: White rice tastes delicious with sugar and milk-

Who'll marry a lady with hair just like silk, Who knows how to sew, who knows how to cook, Who washes and irons and reads from a book?

Princess: I am a princess, my father's the king-

I want to get married and wear a fine ring.

With you I might--With you, Oh no!

With you, yes indeed, to the altar I'll go!

Figure 5. "Arroz Con Leche"





What other special days do we celebrate together?

Calls attention to special happening in the news such as space flight or new discovery.

Why do we celebrate a new flight into space?

Will you ever go to the moon?
Teaches songs, "Zoom to the Moon"
and "Back Again."
Harry R. Wilson et al, Growing
With Music, Englewood Cliffs,
New Jersey: Prentice-Hall, Inc.,
1966, pp. 46-47.

Learns that events that happen in the present can affect him in years to come.

Thinks he may be an astronaut when he grows up.

Enjoys learning song.

Expresses through dramatic play, his interest in space.

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FEEDBACK REPORT - COURSE OF STUDY -- PRELIMINARY

FORM A

TO: Teachers and Supervisors in Pilot Schools and Other Personnel Concerned with Evaluation of Curriculum Materials

DIRECTIONS

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Some evaluators may wish to write anecdotal records and personal annotations directly on the Preliminary materials. You may submit these with this report and a new copy of the materials will be returned to you.

*If any of your answers to questions 1-5 are No, please indicate specific reasons, suggestions or recommendations for remedying condition.

1.	Were the themes satisfactory?	Yes	No	_*				
2.	Did the content outline provide minimal knowledge and information?	Yes	No	<u>*</u>				
з.	Could you develop concepts suggested for each theme?	Yes	No	_* _*				
4.	Did the concepts from the disciplines spiral from the previous grade?	Yes	No	*				
5.	Were the outcomes realizable for most of the class?	Yes	No	<u>*</u>				
	a. Understandings?	Yes	No	_*				
	b. Attitudes and appreciations?	Yes	No	<u>*</u>				
	c. Skills?	Yes	No_	_*				
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FEEDBACK REPORT - LEARNING ACTIVITIES - PRELIMINARY

FORM B (Page 1)

To: Teachers and Supervisors in Pilot Schools and Other Personnel Concerned with Evaluation of Curriculum

DIRECTIONS

Some evaluators may wish to keep an anecdotal record and personal annotations on the Preliminary Materials. You may submit these with this report together with Learning Activities you developed. A new copy will be returned to you.

If any of your enswers to questions 1-7 are No, will you please indicate specific reasons, suggestions or recommendations for remedying the condition.

1.	Were the Emphases for each theme clear?	Yes	No	_*
2.	Were students able to derive concept(s) from the activities?	Yes	No	*
3.	Were Inquiry and Discovery techniques used where possible?	Yes	No	_*
4.	Were the suggested activities and approaches concrete enough?	Yes_	No	_*
5•	Was there an adequate number of: Lesson plans?	Yes	Мо	_*
	Studies in depth?	Yes	No	*
	Problems?	Yes	No	_* *
	Questions?	Yes	No	_*
	Exercises on methodology of a discipline?	Yes	No	_*
	Exercises on Skills	Yes	No	¥
	Provisions for individual differences	Yes	No	-
	Exercises on formulation of hypotheses, the making of inferences, etc.	Yes	No	;
6.	Were the evaluative suggestions satisfactory for			
	Knowledge and skills (cognitive)?	Yes	No	
	Attitudes, appreciations and values (affective)?	Yes	No	



7. Were learning materials and resources for students satisfactory? c*l*i seY Teacher references? Yes No北 b. Pupil references? Yes No c. Paperbacks? No Yes d. Programed instructional materials? Yes No ¥ Filmstrips? No 0. Yes * f. Games or manipulative devices? Yes No_ × Transparencies (commercially produced)? No g• Yes 46 Transparencies (school produced)? Yes N_{2} h. 16mm motion pictures Yos No 46 8mm single-concept films? Yes No 44 Records? No k. Yes * Other? Yes No 8. Please indicate specific additional comments, suggestions and recommendations and evaluation with reference to Learning Activities. (Refer to theme, item and section) 9. What alternative approaches have you tried and/or what recommendations do you have with regard to specific themes, items or sections? 10. Please indicate which learning activities may have been omitted or need fuller treatment. (Refer to theme, item or section) (You may use additional sheets) LEARNING ACTIVITIES - GRADE Prepared by_ (school) (name) (position or license)

Return to: Dr. Leonard W. Ingraham, Acting Director, History and Social Sciences

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