Post-Visit Lesson: Water Smart Kids Make A Difference





Lesson Overview

After the *Water Smart Kids* classroom presentation, students work at school or home to complete the fun and engaging activities in the *Water Smart Kids Learning Guide to* learn more about the water cycle, water sources, and water conservation. In addition, students use QR codes or URLs to watch related videos.

Arizona Department of Education Academic Standards

Please refer to the Arizona Department of Education Academic Standards file for the ADE standards addressed by this lesson.

Learning Outcomes

Students will be able to:

- identify Tucson's four main water sources: groundwater, Colorado River water, recycled water, rainwater.
- describe changes in Tucson's groundwater since 1900.
- define and describe the following vocabulary: Sonoran Desert, groundwater, aquifer, water cycle, precipitation, evaporation, runoff, percolation, well, wastewater treatment plant.
- describe the water cycle.
- describe ways to conserve water.
- teach their family and friends about water.

Materials

→ Water Smart Kids Learning Guide (one per student, provided at the end of the Water Smart Kids classroom presentation)

Procedure

- 1. After the Water Smart Kids classroom presentation, distribute the Water Smart Kids Learning Guide to each student.
- 2. Have students work on their *Learning Guides* during class or at home with family assistance.

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3. Remind students that there are QR codes and URLs to numerous videos throughout the *Learning Guide*. Show the videos to students in class and/or encourage students to watch the videos at home with their families.

Extension Ideas

 Have students brainstorm ways to be Water Smart at school (for example, when washing hands and when using the water fountain).

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