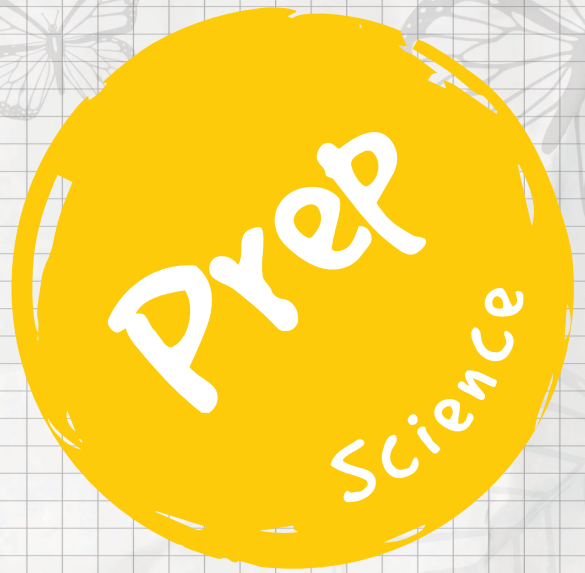


# Outdoor Learning Lesson Plan by Nature Play QLD

## Biological Sciences

- Living things have basic needs, including food and water (ACSSU002)
- Objects are made of materials that have observable properties (ACSSU003)
- Science involves observing, asking questions about, and describing changes in, objects and events (ACSHE013)



**Class:** .....

**Date:** .....

**Time:** .....

**Weather:** .....

### Resources:

- Natural resources to find and use

### Introduction: (15 mins)

Discuss with the class the types of homes that different insects and animals like to live in. Ask what materials those homes are made from.

Go on an insect or animal home hunt around your school grounds.

### Main Activity: (30 mins)

Talk with the class about what makes a good insect or animal home. For example, does it need to be waterproof, warm, or strong, and what is a good location for a shelter?

Divide the children into groups. Explain that each group will be making their own 'homes' using any materials they can find. The 'home' may take the form of a bug hotel, fairy palace, animal home or reflect another child's interest.

The educator's role is to observe and to ask open-ended questions to discover more about the child's decisions and structures they use.

### Discussion: (15 mins)

Invite children to take on the role of estate agents and encourage them to talk about the features of the homes they have created, the materials they have chosen to use and why.

Ask the children to give feedback and share what they like about others' homes.

