

Unit 1-Family

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Unit Overview

Children will become familiar with their new classroom environment by developing centers that reflect areas of their home. Roles and actions associated with the family will encourage dramatic play while promoting self-regulation.

Stage 1-Desired Results

Social Emotional Standards

SED.PK.0.1.1	Express individuality by making independent decisions about which materials to use.
SED.PK.0.1.2	Express ideas for activities and initiate discussions.
SED.PK.0.1.3	Actively engage in activities and interactions with teachers and peers.
SED.PK.0.1.4	Discuss their own actions and efforts.
SED.PK.0.2.1	Make independent choices and plans from a broad range of diverse interest centers.
SED.PK.0.2.4	Attend to tasks for a period of time.
SED.PK.0.4.1	Engage appropriately with peers and teachers in classroom activities.
SED.PK.0.4.2	Demonstrate socially acceptable behavior for teachers and peers (e.g., give hugs, get a tissue, sit next to a friend/teacher, hold hands).
SED.PK.0.5.1	Play independently and cooperatively in pairs and small groups.
SED.PK.0.5.2	Engage in pretend play.
SED.PK.0.5.3	Demonstrate how to enter into play when a group of children are already involved in play.
SED.PK.0.5.4	Take turns.
SED.PK.0.5.5	Demonstrate understanding the concept of sharing by attempting to share.

Language Arts Standards

ELA.L.PK.1.b	Use frequently occurring nouns and verbs.
ELA.L.PK.1.d	Understand and use question words (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how).
ELA.L.PK.1.e	Use frequently occurring prepositions (e.g., to, from, in, out, on, off, for, by, with).
ELA.L.PK.1.f	Begin to speak in complete sentences.

ELA.L.PK.1.g	Understands and can follow simple multi-step directions.
ELA.L.PK.2.c	Attempt to write a letter or letters by using scribble-writing, letter-like forms, letter-strings, and invented spelling during writing activities throughout the day.
ELA.L.PK.5.a	Begin to sort familiar objects (e.g., sort a collection of plastic animals into groups: dogs, tigers, and bears).
ELA.L.PK.5.c	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., “Tell me the name of a place in the classroom that is noisy or quiet.”).
ELA.PK.L.PK.6	Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, activities and read alouds.
ELA.PK.W.PK.1	Use a combination of drawings, dictation, scribble writing, letter-strings, or invented spelling to share a preference or opinion during play or other activities.
ELA.PK.W.PK.2	Use a combination of drawings, dictation, scribble writing, letter-strings, or invented spelling to share information during play or other activities.
ELA.PK.W.PK.5	With guidance and support, share a drawing with dictation, scribble-writing, letter-strings, or invented spelling to describe an event real or imagined.
ELA.PK.RF.PK.4	Begin to engage in a variety of texts with purpose and understanding.
ELA.PK.RI.PK.1	With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key elements in a familiar text.
ELA.PK.RI.PK.2	With prompting and support, recall important facts from a familiar text.
ELA.PK.RI.PK.4	With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about unfamiliar words in informational text.
ELA.PK.RI.PK.5	Identify the front and back cover of a book.
ELA.PK.RI.PK.6	With prompting and support, identify the role of author and illustrator in presenting ideas in informational text.
ELA.PK.RI.PK.7	With prompting and support, tell how the illustrations support the text (information or topic) in informational text.
ELA.PK.RI.PK.10	Actively participate in read aloud experiences using age appropriate information books individually and in small and large groups.
ELA.PK.RL.PK.1	With prompting and support, ask and answer key elements in a familiar story or poem.
ELA.PK.RL.PK.2	With prompting and support, retell familiar stories or poems.
ELA.PK.RL.PK.3	With prompting and support, identify characters, settings, and major events in a familiar story.
ELA.PK.RL.PK.4	With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about unfamiliar words in a story or poem read aloud.
ELA.PK.RL.PK.6	With prompting and support, identify the role of author and illustrator in telling the story.
ELA.PK.RL.PK.7	With prompting and support, using a familiar storybook, tell how the illustrations support the story.
ELA.PK.RL.PK.10	Actively participate in read aloud experiences using age appropriate literature in individual, small and large groups.
ELA.PK.SL.PK.1	Participate in conversations and interactions with peers and adults individually and in small and large groups.
ELA.PK.SL.PK.2	Ask and answer questions about a text or other information read aloud or presented orally.
ELA.PK.SL.PK.3	Ask and answer questions to seek help, get information, or follow directions.
ELA.PK.SL.PK.4	Begin to describe familiar people, places, things, and events and sometimes with detail.
ELA.PK.SL.PK.5	Use drawings or visual displays to add to descriptions to provide additional detail.

ELA.PK.SL.PK.6	With guidance and support, speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas.
ELA.RF.PK.1.b	Recognize that spoken words can be written and read.
ELA.RF.PK.1.c	Recognize that words are separated by spaces.
ELA.RF.PK.3.c	Recognize their name in print as well as other familiar print in the environment.
ELA.SL.PK.1.a	Follow-agreed upon rules for discussions during group interactions.
ELA.SL.PK.1.b	Continue a conversation through several back and forth exchanges.

Math Standards

MA.PK.4.1.4.a	Accurately count quantities of objects up to 10, using one-to one-correspondence, and accurately count as many as 5 objects in a scattered configuration.
MA.PK.4.1.4.b	Arrange and count different kinds of objects to demonstrate understanding of the consistency of quantities (i.e., “5” is constant, whether it is a group of 5 people, 5 blocks or 5 pencils).
MA.PK.4.1.4.c	Instantly recognize, without counting, small quantities of up to 3 or 4 objects (i.e., subitize).
MA.PK.4.3.1	Sort, order, pattern, and classify objects by non-measurable (e.g., color, texture, type of material) and measurable attributes (e.g., length, capacity, height).
MA.PK.4.3.2	Begin to use appropriate vocabulary to demonstrate awareness of the measurable attributes of length, area, weight and capacity of everyday objects (e.g., long, short, tall, light, heavy, full).
MA.PK.4.3.3	Compare (e.g., which container holds more) and order (e.g., shortest to longest) up to 5 objects according to measurable attributes.
MA.PK.4.4	Children develop spatial and geometric sense.
MA.PK.4.4.1	Respond to and use positional words (e.g., in, under, between, down, behind).
MA.PK.4.4.2	Use accurate terms to name and describe some two-dimensional shapes and begin to use accurate terms to name and describe some three-dimensional shapes (e.g., circle, square, triangle, sphere, cylinder, cube, side point, angle).
MA.PK.4.4.3	Manipulate, compare and discuss the attributes of:
MA.PK.4.4.3.a	two-dimensional shapes (e.g., use two dimensional shapes to make designs, patterns and pictures by manipulating materials such as paper shapes, puzzle pieces, tangrams; construct shapes from materials such as straws; match identical shapes; sort shapes based on rules [something that makes them alike/different]; describe shapes by sides/angles; use pattern blocks to compose/decompose shapes when making and taking apart compositions of several shapes).

Science Standards

SCI.PK.5.1.1	Display curiosity about science objects, materials, activities, and longer-term investigations in progress (e.g., ask who, what, when, where, why, and how questions during sensory explorations, experimentation, and focused inquiry).
SCI.PK.5.1.2	Observe, question, predict, and investigate materials, objects, and phenomena during classroom activities indoors and outdoors and during any longer-term investigations in progress. Seek answers to questions and test predictions using simple experiments or research media (e.g., cracking a nut to look inside; putting a toy car in water to determine whether it sinks).

SCI.PK.5.1.3	Use basic science terms (e.g., observe, predict, experiment) and topic-related science vocabulary (e.g., words related to living things [fur, fins, feathers, beak, bark, trunk, stem]; weather terms [breezy, mild, cloudy, hurricane, shower, temperature]; vocabulary related to simple machines [wheel, pulley, lever, screw, inclined plane]; words for states of matter [solid, liquid]; names of basic tools [hammer, screwdriver, awl, binoculars, stethoscope, magnifier]).
SCI.PK.5.1.4	Communicate with other children and adults to share observations, pursue questions, make predictions, and/or conclusions.
SCI.PK.5.2.1	Observe, manipulate, sort, and describe objects and materials (e.g., water, sand, clay, paint, glue, various types of blocks, collections of objects, simple household items that can be taken apart, or objects made of wood, metal, or cloth) in the classroom and outdoor environment based on size, shape, color, texture, and weight.
SCI.PK.5.2.2	Explore changes in liquids and solids when substances are combined, heated, or cooled (e.g., mixing sand or clay with various amounts of water; preparing gelatin; mixing different colors of tempera paint; and longer term investigations, such as the freezing and melting of water and other liquids).
SCI.PK.5.2.3	Investigate sound, heat, and light energy through one or more of the senses (e.g., comparing the pitch and volume of sounds made by commercially made and homemade instruments, recording how shadows change during the course of a day or over time, using flashlights or lamp light to make shadows indoors).
SCI.PK.5.3.1	Investigate and compare the basic physical characteristics of plants, humans, and other animals (e.g., observing and discussing leaves, stems, roots, body parts; observing and drawing different insects; sorting leaves by shape; comparing animals with fur to those with feathers).
SCI.PK.5.3.2	Observe similarities and differences in the needs of living things, and differences between living and nonliving things (e.g., observing and discussing similarities between animal babies and their parents; discussing the differences between a living thing, such as a hermit crab, and a nonliving thing, such as a shell).
SCI.PK.5.4.3	Observe and record weather (e.g., chart temperatures throughout the seasons or represent levels of wind by waving scarves outdoors).
SCI.PK.5.5.1	Identify and use basic tools and technology to extend exploration in conjunction with science investigations (e.g., writing, drawing, and painting utensils, scissors, staplers, magnifiers, balance scales, ramps, pulleys, hammers, screwdrivers, sieves, tubing, binoculars, whisks, measuring cups, appropriate computer software and website information, video and audio recordings, digital cameras, tape recorders).

Social Studies Standards

SFLS.PK.6.1.1	Describe characteristics of oneself, one's family, and others.
SFLS.PK.6.1.2	Demonstrate an understanding of family roles and traditions.
SFLS.PK.6.1.3	Express individuality and cultural diversity (e.g., through dramatic play).
SFLS.PK.6.2	Children become contributing members of the classroom community.
SFLS.PK.6.2.1	Demonstrate understanding of rules by following most classroom routines.
SFLS.PK.6.2.2	Demonstrates responsibility by initiating simple classroom tasks and jobs.
SFLS.PK.6.2.3	Demonstrate appropriate behavior when collaborating with others.
SFLS.PK.6.3.1	Develop an awareness of the physical features of the neighborhood/community.
SFLS.PK.6.4	Children develop an awareness of the cultures within their classroom and their community.

Essential Questions

- Why are rules and routines needed at school and at home?
- What are family roles and routines?
- What are family traditions?
- How do families differ?
- What are the parts of a book?
- Why do we plan what we are going to do?
- How can thoughts be communicated?

Enduring Understanding

- Children will understand roles and characteristics of family life
- Children will understand classroom rules and routines
- Drawing and writing to communicate thoughts
- Working and talking with partners helps us learn

Students will know...

- Not all families are the same (gender roles and abilities)
- Families can live in different kinds of locations
- Families eat different kinds of food
- Families participate in different kinds of activities
- Families celebrate different holidays and have different traditions
- Rooms in a house serve different purposes
- Theme related vocabulary
- How to develop a play plan
- Rules and routines

Students will be able to...

- Act out various roles
- Follow classroom rules and routines
- Use drawings and scaffolded writing to record a plan
- Use oral and written speech as a tool for remembering
- Converse with peers and engage in positive social interaction

- Use positional words
- Create theme related props

STAGE 2- EVIDENCE OF LEARNING

Formative Assessment During Lesson

- Anecdotal Notes
- Choral Response
- Formative Play Assessment
- Observation
- Portfolio Check
- Scaffolded Writing/Play Plans
- Turn and Talk
- Work Samples

Summative Assessments

- Portfolio
- Progress Report-Trimester
- Report Card-Trimester

Benchmark Assessments

Developmental Trajectories in Tools of the Mind Manual

STAGE 3- LEARNING PLAN

Modifications/Differentiation of Instruction

- Additional Scaffolds Manual

Modifications/Differentiation Strategies

- Mediators
- Modeling
- Picture Cues
- Prompting
- Provide Sensory Level Play
- Redirection
- Role and Action Cards
- Scaffolded Writing

Instructional Map

Learning Activities:

Story Labs for Family Theme:

- Active Listening
- Vocabulary
- Connections

Flow of Family Theme:

- Introduction to Centers
- Make Believe Play Practice Reprise
- Center Choice/Play Planning
- Make Believe Play
- Clean-Up
- Make Believe Play Practice

Additional Activities:

- Community Building: Name Game Chants
- Attention Focusing: Family Themed Fingerplays
- Pretend Transitions: Actions and private speech related to theme
- Buddy Reading: Bins with Family and School books
- Graphics Practice Level 1: Using theme related stories

Horizontal Integration- Interdisciplinary Connections

The Family Theme encompasses learning in all areas of the curriculum. Literacy is addressed through Story Labs, Dramatic Play

Centers, and Scaffolded Writing. Science and Math standards are met through the center activities and Science/Math block. Social Studies concepts are woven throughout the curriculum by means of rules, community building activities, play themes, story labs, and share the news.

Vertical Integration- Discipline Mapping

The Family theme is most relatable and provides immediate connections when building background. The successive themes throughout the school year follow the same framework of assessing prior knowledge, building background, and facilitating new roles, role speech, actions, scenarios, and problem solving. Structured play and learning activities set the groundwork for Kindergarten and future grade levels.

Additional Materials
