

Sensational Nature EYFS

Session Overview and Learning Objectives

Session Summary

- This session is suitable for one class at a time of up to 30 pupils
- It will last up to 60 minutes
- Required ratio – 1 adult: 6 pupils

This session allows the pupils to explore the garden using all their senses, with activities designed to focus attention and to connect with nature: Collect touches, make magic with smelly potions, listen to the sounds of the garden and see the world through a bug's eyes.

All equipment is provided.

Session Outline

Time	Location	Activity
5 minutes	Learning Centre	Collect equipment and walk to the Barn Garden
5 minutes	Barn Garden	What are our senses?
10 minutes	Barn Garden	A collection of touches
5 minutes	Barn Garden	Listening to the sounds of nature
10 minutes	Barn Garden	Smelly potions
10 minutes	Barn Garden	Bug eyes
10 minutes	Wildflower Meadow	Colour matching
5 minutes	Learning Centre	Return to centre to wash hands

Learning Objectives

- All will experience the sounds of nature
- All will have the opportunity to explore and gather some natural 'smelly' materials
- All will have the opportunity to experience how animals 'see' the world
- Some will listen attentively and respond to what they hear
- Some will work cooperatively with others to make their potions
- Some will explore a range of techniques including colour, texture and pattern
- Some will be able to name at least three of their senses and describe how they help us to experience the world around ourselves.

- A few will be able to share their creations
- A few will be able to name all five of their senses

Links to the EYFS framework:

All areas of learning and development are important and inter-connected. Three areas are particularly important for building a foundation for igniting pupils' curiosity and enthusiasm for learning, forming relationships and thriving.

We believe this session will support and develop all areas of learning and development within the Early Years Foundation Stage framework:

- communication and language
- physical development
- personal, social and emotional development
- literacy
- mathematics
- understanding the world
- expressive arts and design