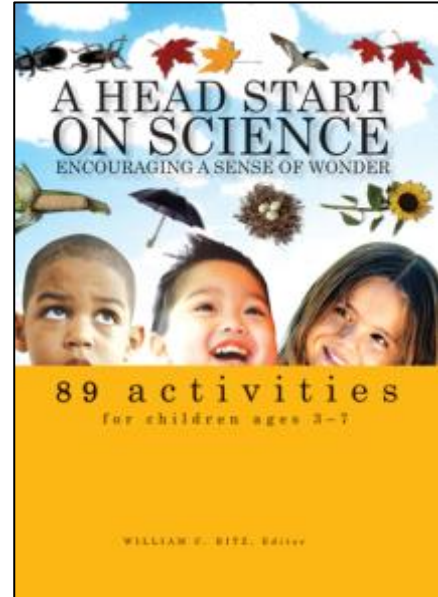


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Summary

For the littlest scientists, the whole wide world can be a laboratory for learning. Nurture their natural curiosity with this treasury of 89 hands-on science activities specifically designed for children ages 3–7.

The activities are grouped into seven stimulating topic areas: the senses, weather, physical science, creepy-crawlies, water and water mixtures, seeds, and nature walks.

Because the activities have been field-tested by more than a thousand teachers over ten years, you'll find this collection unusually easy to use in a variety of settings, including primary schools, preschool programs and day care. In addition to clear background and a master materials list, you get step-by-step procedures and comments and questions to pose to children.

Nearly all activities include a reproducible Family Science Connection to send home so the whole family can share a great learning experience.

Other Resources

- *Designing Effective Science Instruction: What Works in Science Classrooms* (NST0782)
- *Science Dictionary for Kids: The Essential Guide to Science Terms, Concepts and Strategies* (PRU9358)
- *Mixing it Up: Integrated, Interdisciplinary, Intriguing Science in the Elementary Classroom* (NST4469)