



Kids 'n Nature Online

Grade 4 – Habitat Connections

Curriculum Connections

- Big Ideas
 - Plants and animals are interdependent and are adapted to meet their needs from the resources available in their particular habitats
- Overall Expectations Addressed
 - 3. Demonstrate an understanding of habitats and communities and the relationships among the plants and animals that live in them
 - 3.4 demonstrate an understanding of community as a group of interacting species sharing a common habitat

Pre-Activities

- Connection Cards Activity
 - *Students may have trouble making connections at first, so can re-visit this activity after the video*
- Brainstorm Time (*As a class, brainstorm your ideas on chart paper, white board, etc.*)
 - What makes the marsh habitat special? What makes a marsh different from other habitats (i.e., a forest).
 - What are some ways that plants and animals are connected in a habitat?
 - *Food chains/webs, shelter, nesting, cleaning, etc.*

During the Video

- Connections Worksheet – see Grade 4 Worksheet
 - *As students watch the video, they can write down examples of each type of connection in the marsh*

Post-Video

- Review the worksheet as a class
- Connection Cards Activity

Additional Class Activity

- Plant and Animal Connections
 - Print out Plant Info Sheets and post around the classroom – see Grade 3 Resources
 - Break class into 6 groups, each group gets an animal – see Grade 3 Worksheet
 - Students work together in their group using the plant info sheets to decide which plants help their animal survive.

Check out the [Self-Use Resources](#) section of our website for additional activities for your students to take-home and explore nature in their own neighbourhoods.