Water Cycle Bracelets

2nd-6th Grade

Objective To identify the states of water as it moves through the water cycle and to describe the movement of water within the

Overview

water cycle.

Students will simulate the journey of water molecules moving through the water cycle and will collect colored beads to represent their journey. At the end of the activity, students will discuss the water's specific journey, including molecule transfer. Students will be able to keep their bracelets as a reminder of the various journeys water molecules take.

Length of Time

20-30 minutes

Next Generation Science Standards* Connections

2 nd Grade	2-ESS2 Earth's Systems	
	2-LS2 Ecosystems: Interactions, Energy, and Dynamics	
3 rd Grade	3-ESS2 Earth's Systems	
4 th Grade	4-ESS1 Earth's Place in the Universe	
	4-ESS3 Earth and Human Activity	
5 th Grade	5-PS1 Matter and Its Interactions	
	5-PS2 Motion and Stability: Forces and the Interactions	
	5-LS2 Ecosystems: Interactions, Energy, and Dynamics	
	5-ESS2 Earth's Systems	
Middle School	MS-ESS2 Earth's Systems	
	MS-ESS2 Earth and Human Activity	



Common Core State Standards Connections

2 nd Grade	•	W.2.6, W.2.7, W.2.8, SL.2.5, RI.2.3, RI.29
rd -		MP.2, MP.4, MP.5, 2.MD.D.10, 2.NBT.A.3, 2.MD.B.5
3 rd Grade	ELA/Literacy	RI.3.1, RI.3.9, W.3.8
	Mathematics	MP.2, MP.4, MP.5, 3.MD.A.2, 3.MD.B.3
4 th Grade	ELA/Literacy	RI.4.1, RI.4.9, W.4.7, W.4.8, W.4.9
	Mathematics	MP.2, MP.4, 4.MD.A.1, 4.OA.A.1
5 th Grade	ELA/Literacy	RI.5.7, RI.5.9, W.5.1, W.5.7, W.5.8, W.5.9, SL.5.5
	Mathematics	MP.2, MP.4, MP.5, 5.NBT.A.1, 5.NF.B.7, 5.MD.A.1, 5.MD.C.3, 5.MD.C.4,
		5.G.A.2
Middle School	ELA/Literacy	RST.6-8.1, RST.6-8.7, RST.6-8.9, WHST.6-8.2, WHST.6-8.8, SL.8.5
	Mathematics	MP.2, 6.NS.C.5, 6.EE.B.6, 7.EE.B.4

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