

The Green Team - Activities:

- Make a language experience chart of children's suggestions for what it means to be on the "Green Team." Have children dip their thumb in green paint and "sign" it on the list to signify that they are going to join the "Green Team."
- Walk around the school and encourage the children to draw pictures or write suggestions for conserving energy and making the learning environment "green." Compile results and ask the principal to visit your class and discuss improvements that can be made.
- Make a naturalist kit by recycling a detergent box or similar container with a handle. Make binoculars by cutting a cardboard paper towel roll in half. Tape the halves together and hole punch at the top. Tie on a piece of string so children can easily take the binoculars on and off their heads.
- Add a magnifying glass, field guide, tweezers, film canister (for collecting specimens), paper, pencil, etc. Talk about what naturalists do. Can you be a naturalist? Divide children up into groups of two and let them take turns playing "naturalist" on the playground.
- Put out scrap materials in the art center and encourage children to make "Green Team" badges. You can also let them decorate sheets of newspaper and staple them around their necks to make "Super Green Hero" capes. Let children dramatize what they would do if they were a "Super Green Hero."