

Florida Project Learning Tree Sunshine State Standards linkages for grades PreK-2, 3-5, and 6-8: GET IN TOUCH WITH TREES (#2; pp. 5-6 in old edition *PreK-8 Activity Guide*; pp. 20-22 new edition)

Subject Area: Language Arts

Strand: Writing

Standard 2: The student writes to communicate ideas and information effectively.

- **Grades PreK-2** – Benchmark: writes questions and observations about familiar topics, stories, or new experiences. [LA.B.2.1.1]
- **Grades 3-5** – Benchmark: writes notes, comments, and observations that reflect comprehension of content and experiences from a variety of media. [LA.B.2.2.1]
- **Grades 6-8** – Benchmark: writes text, notes, outlines, comments, and observations that demonstrate comprehension of content and experiences from a variety of media. [LA.B.2.3.1]

Strand: Language

Standard 2: The student understands the power of language.

- **Grades PreK-2:** No applicable benchmark
- **Grades 3-5** - Benchmark: understands that word choices can shape reactions, perception, and beliefs. [LA.D.2.2.1]
- **Grades 3-5** - Benchmark: identifies and refers to symbol, theme, simile, alliteration, and assonance in oral and written texts. [LA.D.2.2.2]
- **Grades 6-8** – Benchmark: uses literary devices and techniques in the comprehension and creation of written, oral, and visual communications. [LA.D.2.3.2]

Subject Area: Science

Strand: The Nature of Matter

Standard 1: The student understands that all matter has observable, measurable properties.

- **Grades PreK-2** – Benchmark: knows that objects can be described, classified, and compared by their composition (e.g., wood or metal) and their physical properties (e.g., color, size, and shape). [SC.A.1.1.1]
- **Grades 3-5:** No applicable benchmark
- **Grades 6-8** – Benchmark: identifies various ways in which substances differ (e.g., mass, volume, shape, density, texture, and reaction to temperature and light). [SC.A.1.3.1]

Strand: Processes of Life

Standard 1: The student describes patterns of structure and function in living things.

- **Grades PreK-2** – Benchmark: compares and describes the structural characteristics of plants and animals. [SC.F.1.1.5]
- **Grades 3-5** and **Grades 6-8:** No applicable benchmarks

Strand: The Nature of Science

Standard 1: The student uses the scientific processes and habits of mind to solve problems.

- **Grades PreK-2** – Benchmark: uses the senses, tools, and instruments to obtain information from his or her surroundings. [SC.H.1.1.5]
- **Grades 3-5** – Benchmark: knows that a successful method to explore the natural world is to observe and record, and then analyze and communicate the results. [SC.H.1.2.2]
- **Grades 6-8:** No applicable benchmark