

Science • Technology • Engineering • Art • Math

Suggested reading and **STEAM** activities from TMCPL are designed to provide children with learning opportunities that combine fun hands-on activities with experiences to promote early literacy.

The benefits of STEAM education include a lifelong love for learning, as well as the development of self-esteem, critical thinking, creativity, communication skills, and sensory use to explore, observe, and learn.

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	Read: Burrows, Nests, and Lairs-Animal Architects By: Ada Spada	Make a wormery out of glass jar – sand, soil, gravel, old leaves, water, grass clippings, leaves, and worms	Learn cloud types: www.wartgam es.com under themes type in cloud	Make a cloud view out of cardboard glue pictures of different types of clouds on outside viewing area	Watch a specific cloud and draw it each time it changes	Track clouds for a week. Categorize into different types of clouds.	1
	2 Read: The Sky Stirs Up Trouble- Tornadoes By: Belinda Jenson	Tornado in a jar – cold water, squirt of liquid soap, cap full vinegar- place lid shake.	4 Make a natural disaster emergency kit or backpack	5 Design a tornado resistance tower out of Craft sticks glue or hot glue.	6 Make a tornado out of one piece of paper	7 Look up the tornado rating scale	8
	9 Read: Creek Critters By: Jennifer Keats Curtis	Collect pond water in clear jar.Use a magnify glass to examine	Take binoculars to a pond or creek for animal observation	12 Make a pond viewer: Use a milk carton – cut ends Saran wrap and tape bottom, put in water	Make a collage of a pond. Use paper, tissue paper, glue	14 Biodiversity- make a list of all living things at pond. Make check marks if you see more than one	15
	16 Read: Epic Climbs By: McKinley Matterhorn	17 Explore gravity: Experiment with different weighted objects to drop and observe	18 Friction Test - Make a ramp with several materials (aluminum foil, felt, wax paper)	Climbing is the STEM equivalent to sports. Start designing climb safe environments outdoors (trees, swing sets, walls)	Paint rock climbing environments Using only orange, red, brown and blue for sky	21 Measure your own climbing distances using string, rope, yarn	22
	23 Read: A Tree is α Home By: Pamela Hickman	Pind a tree nearby. Take one week to observe all wildlife that lives there	25 Film wild life in action in nearby tree. Zoom in to get a good look!	26 Build a small observation area in tree to sit or stand	Draw a nearby tree. Include all wildlife that lives there	28 Count how many days before the first leaf drops or sprouts from nearby tree	29
	30 Read: Honey Bee By: Apis Mellifera	Crumble up some cheese puffs. Wrap your finger in pipe cleaner. Leave longer ends to dip into crumbs. Pick up pollen like a bee!	Bees need lots of water. Hot glue discarded, caps and lids onto a stick. Fill caps with water and place in ground	Design and try to make a building out of soap bars, modeling clay or beeswax, if available.	Make a model of a bee out of paper. Don't forget the – head, thorax, abdomen!	Bee Colony population has fallen in Ohio from 300,000 to 50,000. How many colonies did we lose?	