

**Mansfield Public Schools
Greenhouse Lesson Plan**

Lesson Title / Grade Level	Growing with Three Sisters-story and response Grade: 4
Content Area Objective(s)	Students will listen to and act out the growing sequence of the Three Sisters Garden
Science Goals And Objective(s)	Students will understand how each crop in the Three Sisters Garden grows
Overview	Students will listen to a story about how each crop in the Three Sisters Garden grows, and they will represent seeds of each crop and act out the story.
Time Needed/ Instructional Arrangements and Setting	30 minutes ½ the class at a time In the greenhouse
Prerequisites Or Pre- Teaching That Needs To Be Done	Students need a basic understanding of what the Three Sisters Garden is
Procedure	<p>Initiation- Ask students what they remember about the Three Sisters Garden and how it grows. Tell them they will be listening to a story and acting as the seeds in the garden as the story describes how each crop grows.</p> <p>Procedure- Divide the class into three groups. Assign each group to represent one crop (Bean, Corn, Squash). Read the story <i>Growing with your Three Sisters: A Guided Journey</i> and have each group follow the "stage directions" for their crop. After they act out the story, have students write a written response to two questions: "What do you notice about the Three Sisters behavior in the garden?" and "Are there times when you feel like one of the Three Sisters, which one and why?"</p> <p>Closure- Ask students to share their responses.</p>
Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copies of <i>Growing with your Three Sisters</i> • Paper • Pencils
Materials Notes	Story from "In the Three Sisters Garden: Native American stories and seasonal activities for the curious child" A Common Roots Guidebook
Differentiation Strategies	
Assessment Strategies	Students will be evaluated based on their participation in the class activity and their written responses to the questions at the end of the story

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Teacher Reflections

Date of Lesson	What I want other teachers to know about this lesson is -