

**Mansfield Public Schools
Greenhouse Lesson Plan**

Lesson Title / Grade Level	Making a Scarecrow Grade: 4
Content Area Objective(s)	Students will understand the need for a scarecrow in the Three Sisters Garden to protect the crops Students will know one legend suggesting how the idea of a scarecrow came to be
Science Goals And Objective(s)	Students will use recyclable materials to create a scarecrow for the Three Sisters Garden
Overview	Students will read "The Legend of the First Scarecrow" and will then make their own scarecrow for their garden
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 should have some background knowledge of Native American culture Students should have a basic understanding of what the Three Sisters Garden is
Procedure	Initiation- Ask students what they know about scarecrows. Ask them if they have ever made one, and if so how? Ask if any students know where the idea for the first scarecrow came from. Tell them that they will be reading the legend of the first scarecrow, and making their own. Procedure- Have students take turns reading out loud "The Legend of the First Scarecrow." Discuss their thoughts on the story. Give students the materials and help them build their own scarecrow. Closure- Ask students what they learned about the first scarecrow? Why is a scarecrow needed? Who filled this job before the scarecrow was made?
Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "The Legend of the First Scarecrow" • Two sticks (one shorter than the other) • String • A sack (for the head) • Rags/Leaves/Plastic bags (to fill the head with) • Streamers/Feathers/other recyclable materials to "dress" scarecrow with
Materials Notes	Story from <i>In the Three Sisters Garden: Native American stories and seasonal activities for the curious child</i> A Common Roots Guidebook Book also provides picture and instructions for creating the scarecrow
Differentiation Strategies	
Assessment Strategies	Students will be evaluated based on their participation in the class discussion and their assistance and cooperation while building the scarecrow

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