



10 Minute Learning Activity

Database: SIRS Discoverer

Topic/Subject Area: Science/Turtles

Grade Level: Grade One (also for teacher reference)

Essential Question: Can a turtle be a good pet, and if so how do you take care of a pet turtle?

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Academic Content Standards:

Standard: Life Sciences Grade 1

Benchmark: A. Discover that there are living things, non-living things and pretend things, and describe the basic needs of living things (organisms).

Grade Level Indicator: Characteristics and Structure of Life. 1. Explore that organisms, including people, have basic needs which include air, water, food, living space, and shelter.

Search Steps:

1. Go to www.infohio.org/
2. Select "Resources for Grades K-6" or "Core Collection"
3. Choose SIRS Discoverer.
4. Or Choose Advanced Search on the initial page.
5. Enter the words turtles and pets in the search boxes, pulling down the choice to search in full text.
6. Your search results will contain a number of articles at various reading levels on turtles as pets.
7. Or another way to do this is to click on the Animals icon from the Browse Subject Tree
8. Click on the Reptiles and Amphibians link from the Animals list.
9. Click on the turtles and tortoises link from the Reptiles and Amphibians list.
10. You will find a number of articles at various reading levels on turtles in the results list. If you scroll down and click on the "Behold, the Turtle" or another article from the list.
11. View the full article on the screen or print a copy of the full article to answer the essential question.

Additional Comments on Search Process:

- You can also search by keyword and subject.
- There are several helpful features accessible on the main search page.
- There are tutorial and help pages for your reference.
- There is also a link to help cite sources.