Building Foundations That Last Kindergarten Informative Model Planning Form

Date: April Quarterly Benchmark: 4th

Topic: Fish Facts
Audience: Kindergarten Scientists

Curriculum Connection: Science – Animals 2x2 (Fish)

Experiences – Observations of classroom goldfish and guppies

Science Kit Texts – Animals 2x2 (pgs. 4-7 Goldfish and Guppies), Animals (pg.5)

Discovery Ed. Video – Beginning Classification: Fish or Amphibians, Fish & Reptiles: Fish

Literature Supports - About Fish: A Guide for Children (Sill), DK Eyewitness Books: Fish (Parker),

A Fish Out of Water (Palmer), Swimmy & Fish is Fish (Lionni),

Process

- Plan depicts a sketch of 2 facts learned
- Uses information from a variety of sources

Surface Features

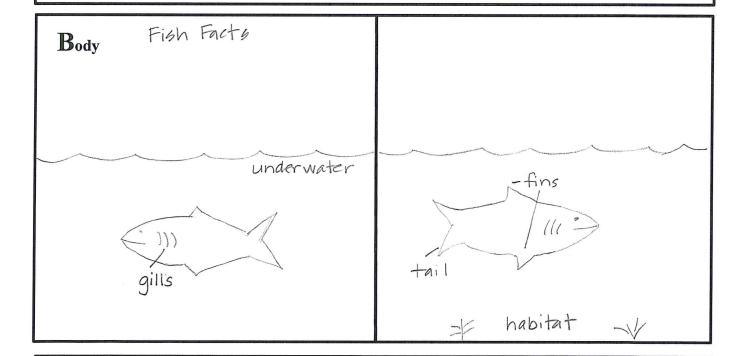
- Has 2 sentences (matched to facts learned)
- Spells words with close approx.
- Uses environmental print

Content

- Contains informational labels in the plan
- Information accurately reflects the topic
- Writes 2 facts learned

Introduction (Orally share)

The body structure of a fish allows it to live in an underwater environment.



Conclusion (Orally share)

Fish can be many different sizes, shapes and colors but need their unique body parts to survive in the water.

The Writing (2 Sentences)

Fish live underwater and use their gills to breathe air.

A fish uses his/her tail and fins to swim smoothly through his/her habitat.