

Two Bad Ants

Language Arts

Reading: Read for information and discuss Two Bad Ants

1. Visit Chris Van Allsburg's Home Page to learn biographical information.
<http://www.eduplace.com:80/rdg/author/authorbio.html>

Writing

1. Write a poem or Haiku -3 lines, 17 syllables. First and third line have 5 syllables, second line has seven syllables.
Ants crawl through tunnels
They eat picnics in summer
And hide in winter.
2. Discuss ideas about what might inspire students to write and illustrate their won ant stories. Arrange stories in logical sequence and describe the setting, character, objects and events in detail.

Science:

1. Create an ant farm
2. Study the anatomy of an ant
Compare body parts of ants to those of another insect. Use a Venn diagram to organize your comparison
3. use Kid Pix to stamp an ant- label the parts
4. use Judy/Instructo Insects/Resource craft book to assemble an ant
5. Study adaptations of ants
How are ant jobs similar to human jobs?

Fun Activity- "Make Ants on a log"

Unit:

Teacher Cybergude: Two Bad Ants <http://www.sdcoe.k12.ca.us/score/badant/badanttg.html>

DiscoverySchool Lesson Plan "Ant Architecture"

<http://school.discovery.com/lessonplans/programs/antarchitecture/index.html>

Bug Food <http://www.uky.edu/Agriculture/Entomology/ythfacts/bugfood/bugfood1.htm>

Judy/Instructo Insects/Resource Craft Book

Ant Puppets- Folkmanis, INC www.folkmanis.com

<http://school.discovery.com/lessonplans/programs/antarchitecture/index.html> Ant lesson plan

<http://www.earthlife.net/insects/ants.html> Ant facts

<http://www.uky.edu/Agriculture/Entomology/ythfacts/bugfood/bugfood1.htm> Ant food

<http://www.myrmecology.org> Scientific Study of ants

<http://www.surfnetkids.com/ants.htm> The BEST ant sites for kids, teachers, families