

Studio Cultivate's Kindergarden

WINTER MODULE "SOIL DETECTIVES" OVERVIEW



Study Period:

January – March

The natural world during the winter months is a fascinating place!

Many plants are now dormant having shed their leaves. Growth is slowing and some plants have died back altogether. Many animals are now hibernating.

The subterranean world of soil however is much less effected by these chilly months and continues to be a hub of activity.

"The soil is the great connector of lives, the source and destination of all. It is the healer and restorer and resurrector, by which disease passes into health, age into youth, death into life. Without proper care for it we can have no community, because without proper care for it we can have no life."

Wendell Berry, *The Unsettling of America: Culture and Agriculture*



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WINTER MODULE WORKSHOP LIST



The purpose of Kindergarden's Winter Module is to demonstrate to pupils the significance of soil beyond just being "dirt".

Pupils will discover what soil comprises of and its essential role in plant growth.

Pupils will also explore the concept of soil as a habitat; and its ability to sustain a diverse mix of familiar and unfamiliar animals and plants.

KW-W-35	Christmas Tree Cuttings
KW-W-36	What is Soil?
KW-W-37	Winter Trip to Park
KW-W-38	How is soil made?
KW-W-39	Earthworms Pt-1
KW-W-40	Earthworms Pt-2
KW-W-41	Big Boy Slug
KW-W-42	Nematodes to the Rescue
KW-W-43	Ravenous Roots

