# **Preparation Guide**

Level 5 Module 2
Ecosystems

# with Spotlight Lessons on Weather and Climate

**Materials:** This section lists the quantity of each material necessary for the lesson. Lesson materials may be from a *PhD Science*® materials kit or they may be school supplied. In addition to the listed materials, teachers should have access to the following common classroom items: sticky notes, chart paper, pencils, a whiteboard, and markers.

**Preparation:** This section identifies preparation teachers should complete before the lesson, including resources teachers should gather or cue. This section has two subsections:

- **Resources:** This subsection lists module resources (from Appendix A in the Teacher Edition) and core texts used in the lesson. Classrooms also need daily access to the module's Teacher Edition, Science Logbooks, and, if applicable, PhD Projected. A symbol () identifies resources that appear in PhD Projected.
- **Setup:** This subsection lists media teachers must cue before the lesson, activities that require setup, and items in the current lesson that are reused in future lessons. Note that items found in a typical elementary classroom (e.g., glue, tape, scissors) are not listed for reuse. This subsection also describes advance preparation for upcoming lessons. For example, if teachers need to prepare one day in advance for an activity in Lesson 11, an advance preparation note appears in the Setup subsection for Lesson 10. A symbol (() identifies lessons with advance preparation notes.

# **Advance Materials Preparation**

Several activities in this module require advance preparation. A version of this list appears in the Module Overview of the Teacher Edition. The expanded version in this guide identifies all lesson sets for which preparation may take longer than a planning period. A symbol (†) identifies preparation that can be done earlier than the suggested time.

Lesson	Time in Advance	Investigation	Description
5	6 days†	Teacher Plant Growth Investigation	Leave 50 g potting soil out to dry. (See Lesson 5 Resource A.)
5	5 days†		Prepare green onion plants. (See Lesson 5 Resource A.)



13	10 days	Mold Growth on Raspberries Investigation	Purchase 1 carton of raspberries, and transfer them to a sealed container. (See Lesson 13 Resource B.)
13	6 days		Purchase 2 cartons of raspberries. Transfer 1 carton to a sealed container. (See Lesson 13 Resource B.) Prepare the other carton for Lesson 15. (See Lesson 15 Resource B.)
13	2 days		Purchase 1 carton of raspberries, and transfer them to a sealed container. (See Lesson 13 Resource B.)
15	8 days	Decomposing Raspberries in Sand and Soil Investigation	Transfer raspberries to containers filled with sand and soil. (See Lesson 15 Resource B.) Note: This preparation is concurrent with the preparation for Lesson 13.
16	1 day	Nutrient Testing	Prepare sand and soil water mixtures. (See Lesson 16 Resource A.)
21	2 weeks	Radish Growth Investigation	Plant radish seeds. (See Lesson 21 Resource.)

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Lesson	Time in Advance	Investigation	Description
1	1 day†	Plan to Record Weather Data	Build the rain gauge (Lesson 1 Resource A) at least a day before the lesson. The day before the lesson place it on an uncovered, level area outside.
2	1 day†	Radish Growth Investigation	Make or obtain ice cubes.



# **Lesson Materials and Preparation**

#### Lesson 1

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items	
	None	☐ Scissors (1)	
Preparation	Resources		
	☐ Lesson 1 Resource A: Tree Photograph (opt	ional)	
	☐ Lesson 1 Resource B: Mangrove Tree Ecosy	stem Organism Cards	
	☐ <i>The Mangrove Tree</i> by Susan L. Roth and Ci	ndy Trumbore (2011)	
	Setup		
	Select an outdoor tree for student observation. Alternatively, project or print color copies of Lesson 1 Resource A.		
	☐ Copy and cut out organism cards (Lesson 1 Resource B, 1 card per student).		
	Advance Preparation for Lesson 5		
	<b>6 or More Days Before:</b> Leave 50 g potting soil out to dry for teacher plant growth investigation. (See Lesson 5 Resource A.)		
	<b>5 or More Days Before:</b> Prepare green onion plants for teacher plant growth investigation. (See Lesson 5 Resource A.) Reveal results to students in Lesson 5.		
	Advance Preparation for Lesson 13		
	<b>10 Days Before:</b> Purchase 1 carton of raspberries, and transfer them to a sealed container. (See Lesson 13 Resource B.)		

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	None	☐ Glue sticks (6)
		☐ Scissors (24)
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ The Mangrove Tree by Susan L. Roth and Cindy Trumbore (2011)	
	Setup	
	☐ Copy organism cards (Lesson 1 Resource B, 1 page per student).	

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	☐ Ball, table tennis (1)	☐ Bottles, clear plastic, 16.9 oz (12)
	☐ Ball, tennis (1)	☐ Green onion plants (with bulbs) (12)
	☐ Gloves, disposable (6 pairs, optional)	☐ Meter sticks (2)
	☐ Graduated cylinders, plastic, 50 mL (6)	☐ Paper towels (1 roll)
		☐ Potting soil (600 g)
	Module 1 Kit	☐ Rulers, metric (6)
	☐ Safety goggles, student (24)	☐ Spoons, plastic (6)
	☐ Safety goggles, teacher (1)	☐ Tape, masking (1 roll)
	☐ Scales, digital, ± 0.1 g (6)	☐ Water (500 mL)
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 3 Resource: Sequoia Tree and Cone	Photographs 🗔
	Setup	
	☐ Measure 2 m above the floor and 1 m above	e a desktop. Mark the wall at each location
	with masking tape to prepare for fair test b	all drop.
	Item Reuse	
	☐ Lesson 4 requires the prepared student pla	nt growth investigation materials.
	Lesson 5 requires one each of the graduate digital scales for Lesson 13.	d cylinders and digital scales. Save all the
	☐ Lesson 8 requires the prepared fair test crit	eria chart.



Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items	
	None	None	
	Prepared Items from Previous Lessons		
	☐ Student plant growth investigation materials from Lesson 3 (6 sets)		
Preparation	Resources		
	☐ Lesson 4 Resource: Sample Student Plant Growth Investigation Plans		
	Setup None		
	Item Reuse		
	☐ Lesson 5 requires the prepared student plant growth investigation materials.		
	Advance Preparation for Lessons 13 and 15		
	6 Days Before Lesson 13 (8 days before Lesson 15): Purchase 2 cartons of raspberries.  Transfer 1 carton to a sealed container. (See Lesson 13 Resource B.) Prepare the other carton for Lesson 15 by transferring the raspberries to containers filled with sand and soil. (See Lesson 15 Resource B.)		

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items	
	$\square$ Graduated cylinder, plastic, 50 mL (1)	☐ Bottles, clear plastic, 16.9 oz (4)	
	☐ Skewers, wooden, 12" (4)	☐ Green onions (with bulbs) (4)	
		☐ Paper towels (1 roll)	
	Module 1 Kit	☐ Potting soil (150 g)	
	☐ Gloves, disposable (1 pair, optional)	☐ Ruler, metric (1)	
	$\square$ Scale, digital, ± 0.1 g (1)	☐ Scissors (1)	
		☐ Spoon, plastic (1)	
		☐ Water (75 mL)	
	Prepared Items from Previous Lessons		
	$\square$ Student plant growth investigation materia	ls from Lesson 3 (6 sets)	
Preparation	Resources		
	☐ Lesson 5 Resource A: Teacher Plant Growth	Investigation Setup Instructions	
	☐ Lesson 5 Resource B: Sample Plant Growth	Investigation Results (optional)	
	☐ Lesson 5 Resource C: Wawona Tunnel Tree	Images 🖵	
	Setup		
	None		
	Item Reuse		
	☐ Lesson 13 requires the digital scale.		
	Lesson 15 requires the 6 plastic spoons from materials.	n the student plant growth investigation	
	☐ Lesson 21 requires the prepared student pl	ant growth investigation plants.	

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	☐ Bingo chips, blue, red, yellow (30 each color)	None
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ The Mangrove Tree by Susan L. Roth and Cindy Trumbore (2011)	
	☐ Living Sunlight by Molly Bang and Penny Chisholm (2009)	
	Setup	
	None	
	Item Reuse	
	☐ Lesson 9 requires the blue and yellow bingo chips.	



Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	None	☐ Bowl, microwaveable, 1 qt (1)
		☐ Cups, clear plastic, 9 oz (3)
	Module 1 Kit	☐ Red cabbage leaves (3)
	Syringe, 60 mL (1)	☐ Sieve (1)
		☐ Straw, plastic (1)
		☐ Sparkling water, clear unopened bottle (1)
		☐ Water (200 mL)
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 7 Resource A: Red Cabbage Juice Inc	dicator Preparation
	☐ Lesson 7 Resource B: Conceptual Checkpoi	nt 🖵
	☐ <i>The Mangrove Tree</i> by Susan L. Roth and Ci	ndy Trumbore (2011)
	$\square$ Living Sunlight by Molly Bang and Penny Ch	nisholm (2009)
	Setup	
	Prepare red cabbage juice indicator for animal Resource A).	mal breathing demonstration (see Lesson 7



Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items	
	None	None	
	Prepared Items from Previous Lessons		
	☐ Fair test criteria chart from Lesson 3 (1)		
Preparation	Resources		
	☐ Lesson 8 Resource A: Grizzly Bear Photographs □		
	☐ Lesson 8 Resource B: Yellowstone Garbage	Dump Photograph 🖵	
	☐ Lesson 8 Resource C: Yellowstone Average	Annual Precipitation 🖵	
	☐ Lesson 8 Resource D: Yellowstone Adult G	rizzly Bear Weight 🖵	
	☐ Lesson 8 Resource E: Lizard Photographs ☐		
	Setup		
	☐ Cue the video of bears preparing for winter (Clemens 2018): <a href="http://phdsci.link/1189">http://phdsci.link/1189</a> . □		
	Item Reuse		
	☐ Lesson 18 requires the prepared fair test criteria chart.		
	Advance Preparation for Lesson 10		
	2 Days Before: Purchase 1 carton of raspberries, and transfer them to a sealed container. (See Lesson 13 Resource B.)		
	Advance Preparation for Lesson 18		
	2 Weeks Before: Plant radish seeds for radish g	growth investigation. (See Lesson 21 Resource.)	

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	☐ Bingo chips, blue, yellow (90 each color)	None
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 9 Resource: Food Sources of Small Aquatic Animals	
	Setup	
	None	
	Item Reuse	
	☐ Lesson 17 requires 60 of the blue bingo chi	ps and 60 of the yellow bingo chips.



Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	☐ Clay, modeling, nonhardening (1 lb)	☐ Bottles, clear plastic, 16.9 oz (4)
	☐ Ladles (4)	☐ Bowls, 1 qt or larger (8)
	☐ Marbles (12)	☐ Corks, cylindrical (12)
	☐ Pie tins (4)	☐ Rice, uncooked (4 cups)
	☐ Pipettes, disposable (4)	☐ Scissors (1)
	☐ Sand (4 cups)	☐ Scissors, blunt tip (4)
	☐ Tongs, kitchen (4)	☐ Water (access)
	☐ Tweezers (4)	
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 10 Resource A: Whooping Crane an	d Northern Harrier Photographs 🖵
	☐ Lesson 10 Resource B: Bird Photographs □	
	☐ Lesson 10 Resource C: Model Bird Beaks Pr	ocedure Sheet
	☐ Lesson 10 Resource D: Model Bird Beaks Se	etup Instructions
	☐ Lesson 10 Resource E: Wildlife Photograph	S
	Setup	
	☐ Cue video of whooping crane:	

Materials	Kit Items School Supplied Items		
	None Computer or tablets with internet access (4)		
	☐ Scissors (1)		
Preparation	Resources		
	☐ Lesson 11 Resource A: Black Mangrove Photograph ☐		
	☐ Lesson 11 Resource B: Plant Diagram		
	☐ Lesson 11 Resource C: Plant Cards		
	☐ Lesson 11 Resource D: Map of Texas Coastline □		
	☐ Lesson 11 Resource E: Plant Stations Setup Instructions		
	☐ Lesson 11 Resource F: Plant Challenge Cards		
	Setup		
	☐ Copy and cut out plant cards (Lesson 11 Resource C, 1 set for the modified Jigsaw activity and 1 set for display in a class chart).		
	☐ Set up four different plant stations. (See Lesson 11 Resource E.)		
	Copy and cut out plant challenge cards (Lesson 11 Resource F, 1 set for the plant stations and 1 set for display in a class chart).		

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items	
	None	☐ Scissors (1)	
Preparation	Resources		
	☐ Lesson 10 Resource A: Whooping Crane and Northern Harrier Photographs		
	☐ Lesson 12 Resource A: Hummingbirds Phot	ograph $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$	
	☐ Lesson 12 Resource B: Animal Cards		
	Setup		
	☐ Copy and cut out animal cards (Lesson 12 Resource B, 1 card per group)		
	☐ Cue baby yawning video: <a href="http://phdsci.link/1860">http://phdsci.link/1860</a> . □		
	☐ Cue tying shoelaces video: <a href="http://phdsci.link/1861">http://phdsci.link/1861</a> . □		
	☐ Cue coyote pups video: <a href="http://phdsci.link/1801">http://phdsci.link/1801</a> . ☐ Cue coyote hunting video: <a href="http://phdsci.link/1802">http://phdsci.link/1802</a> . ☐		
	Advance Preparation for Lesson 13  1 Day Before: Prepare sand and soil water mixtures. (See Lesson 13 Resource A.)		



Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	None	☐ Bags, resealable plastic, 1 qt (3)
		☐ Raspberries, 6 oz containers (3)
	Module 1 Kit	
	☐ Scales, digital, ± 0.1 g (3)	
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 13 Resource A: Raspberry Bush Photograph ☐	
	☐ Lesson 13 Resource B: Mold Growth on Raspberries Investigation Setup Instructions	
	Setup	
	None	

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	None	None
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 14 Resource A: "Looking at Mushrooms" Excerpts	
	☐ Lesson 14 Resource B: "Recycling the Dead"	
	☐ Lesson 14 Resource C: Bacteria Illustration ☐	
	Setup	
	None	

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items	
	☐ Magnifiers, handheld, plastic (6)	☐ Bags, resealable plastic, 1 qt (2)	
	☐ Sand (460 g)	☐ Containers, small, for sand and soil (12)	
		☐ Paper towels (6 sheets)	
		☐ Potting soil (330 g)	
		☐ Raspberries, 6 oz container (1)	
		☐ Spoons, plastic (6)	
	Prepared Items from Previous Lessons		
	☐ Fair test criteria chart from Lesson 3 (1)		
Preparation	Resources		
	☐ Lesson 15 Resource A: Human Mummy Ph	otograph $\overline{\mathbb{L}}$	
	☐ Lesson 15 Resource B: Decomposing Raspberries in Sand and Soil Investigation Setup Instructions		
	☐ Lesson 15 Resource C: Sand and Soil Photo	☐ Lesson 15 Resource C: Sand and Soil Photographs □	
	Setup		
	☐ Cue time-lapse composting video (van Egm	ond 2017): http://phdsci.link/1190. 🖵	
	☐ Prepare containers for sand and soil observ	ration.	

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	☐ Gloves, disposable (24 pairs)	☐ Markers, permanent (2)
	☐ Jars with lids, plastic, 16 oz (2)	☐ Potting soil (13 g)
	☐ Pipettes, disposable (2)	☐ Water (150 mL)
	☐ Sand (13 g)	
	☐ Custom soil test kits	
	<ul> <li>Test tubes, color coded, blue, orange, purple (4 each color)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Blue capsules for phosphorous (4)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Orange capsules for potassium (4)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Purple capsules for nitrogen (4)</li> </ul>	
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 14 Resource B: "Recycling the Dead	"
	☐ Lesson 15 Resource A: Human Mummy Photograph ☐	
	☐ Lesson 16 Resource A: Nutrient Testing Setup Instructions	
	☐ Lesson 16 Resource B: Nutrient Testing Pro	cedure Sheet
	☐ Lesson 16 Resource C: Plant Nutrient Comp	parison Photographs 🖵
	Setup	
	None	



Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	☐ Bingo chips, blue, yellow (60 each color)	☐ Pencils, colored (6 sets)
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 17 Resource: Conceptual Checkpoint ☐	
	☐ <i>The Mangrove Tree</i> by Susan L. Roth and Ci	ndy Trumbore (2011)
	Setup	
	None	

# Lesson 18

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	None	☐ Pencils, colored (48)
	<b>Prepared Items from Previous Lessons</b>	
	☐ Student plant growth investigation plants f	rom Lesson 5 (2 per group)
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 18 Resource A: Mouse Investigation Description	
	☐ Lesson 18 Resource B: Mouse Investigation Results □	
	☐ Fair test criteria chart (from Lesson 3)	
	Setup	
	☐ Print a copy of Lesson 18 Resource A for ea	ach student.

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	None	☐ Scissors (1)
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 19 Resource: Animal Cards  Setup	
	☐ Print and cut out animal cards (Lesson 19 Resource).	

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	None	None
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 8 Resource A: Grizzly Bear Photogra	phs 🖵
	☐ Lesson 20 Resource A: Atlas Moth Photographs ☐	
	☐ Lesson 20 Resource B: Atlas Moth Information	
	☐ Lesson 20 Resource C: Grizzly Bear Information	
	☐ Lesson 20 Resource D: Grizzly Bear Weight by Season ☐	
	☐ Lesson 20 Resource E: Life Cycle Sequence Cards	
	Setup	
	☐ Print a copy of Lesson 20 Resource B for ea	ch student.
	☐ Print a copy of Lesson 20 Resource C for ea	ch student pair.

#### Lesson 21

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	☐ Radish seed packet (1)	☐ Cups, clear plastic, 3 oz (2)
		☐ Potting soil (170 g)
	Module 1 Kit	☐ Rulers, metric (6)
	☐ Scales, digital, ± 0.1 g (6)	☐ Water (50 mL)
	Prepared Items from Previous Lessons	
	$\square$ Student plant growth investigation plants f	rom Lesson 5 (2 per group)
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 21 Resource: Radish Growth Investigation Setup Instructions	
	☐ Living Sunlight by Molly Bang and Penny Chisholm (2009)	
	Setup	
	None	

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	None	None
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 22 Resource: Conceptual Checkpoint ☐	
	☐ <i>The Mangrove Tree</i> by Susan L. Roth and Cindy Trumbore (2011)	



Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items	
	None	☐ Name tags, adhesive (24)	
		☐ Yarn balls (6)	
Preparation	Resources		
	☐ Lesson 23 Resource A: Emerald Ash Borer Photograph ☐		
	☐ Lesson 23 Resource B: Emerald Ash Borer Invasion of North American Forests Excerpts		
	☐ <i>The Mangrove Tree</i> by Susan L. Roth and Cindy Trumbore (2011)		
	Setup		
	☐ Prepare name tags for ecosystem modeling.		

# Lesson 24

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	None	☐ Computers or tablets with internet access (4)
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 24 Resource A: Engineering Design Process 😾	
	☐ Lesson 24 Resource B: Emerald Ash Borer Resources	
	☐ The Mangrove Tree by Susan L. Roth and Cindy Trumbore (2011)	
	Setup	
	☐ Prepare research materials for students (see Lesson 24 Resource B).	

#### Lesson 25

No materials or preparation required.

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	None	None
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 24 Resource A: Engineering Design Process ☐	
	☐ <i>The Mangrove Tree</i> by Susan L. Roth and Cindy Trumbore (2011)	
	Setup	
	None	



Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	None	☐ Glue sticks (12)
		☐ Scissors (24)
Preparation	Resources	
	None	
	Setup	
	None	

# Lesson 28

No materials or preparation required.

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items	
	None	☐ Pencils, colored (24)	
Preparation	Resources  Lesson 29 Resource: Content Standards		
	Select End-of-Module Assessment response	d-of-Module Assessment and write individual feedback. nd-of-Module Assessment responses to share with students. visual for student connections between module learning and content standards	
	Advance Preparation for Spotlight Lesson 1  1 Day Before: Build the rain gauge. (See Lesson 1 Resource A.) Place the rain gauge in an uncovered, level area outside 1 day before the lesson.		



# Spotlight Lessons on Weather and Climate

#### Lesson 1

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	☐ Bottle, clear plastic, 2 L (1)	☐ Marker, permanent (1)
	☐ Pole, telescoping (1)	☐ Paper clips, (3-4)
	☐ Ruler, plastic (1)	☐ Rubber bands (2)
	☐ Thermometers, Fahrenheit (12)	☐ Scissors (1)
	☐ Windsock (1)	☐ Water (access)
	Module 1 Kit	
	☐ Gravel (1 cup)	
	ety goggles, student (24)	
	☐ Safety goggles, teacher (1)	
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 1 Resource A: Rain Gauge Building I	nstructions
	☐ Lesson 1 Resource B: Weather Condition Ca	ategories (optional)
	Setup	
	None	

Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	None	☐ Glue sticks (24)
		☐ Scissors (1)
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 2 Resource A: Using the NOAA Climate at a Glance Website: City Time Series	
	☐ Lesson 2 Resource B: Seasonal Weather Co	nditions Chart $\overline{\mathbb R}$
	☐ Lesson 2 Resource C: Historical Weather Conditions Graphs Preparation Instructions	
	☐ Lesson 2 Resource D: Sample Weather Data: Dallas, Texas ☐	
	☐ Lesson 2 Resource E: Weather and Climate Cards	
	Setup	
	☐ Prepare seasonal weather conditions chart. (See Lesson 2 Resources A and B.)	
	☐ Prepare historical weather data graphs for each student pair. (See Lesson 2 Resources A and C.)	
	☐ Prepare to distribute weather and climate cards. (See Lesson 2 Resource E.)	
	Advance Preparation for Spotlight Lesson 3	



Materials	Kit Items	School Supplied Items
	☐ Heat lamp with 125 W bulb (1)	☐ Bag, resealable plastic, 1 qt (1)
	☐ Measuring cup, 1L (1)	☐ Ice cubes (6)
		☐ Plastic wrap (1 roll)
	Module 1 Kit	☐ Table salt (35 g)
	☐ Bin, clear plastic 6 qt (1)	☐ Tape, masking (1 roll)
	☐ Scale, digital, ± 0.1 g (1)	☐ Water (1 L)
Preparation	Resources	
	☐ Lesson 3 Resource A: Ocean Model Setup Instructions	
	☐ Lesson 3 Resource B: Statue of Liberty Photographs ☐	
	☐ Lesson 3 Resource C: Evaporation Investigation Photographs	
	Setup	
	Prepare ocean model. (See Lesson 3 Resource A.)	

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