

### **Preparation Guide**

# Level 5 Module 2 ECOSYSTEMS

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

Resources: This section lists module resources (from the Module Resources section 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, digital slides. A symbol () identifies resources that appear in the digital slides. Additional supports and Spanish resources are available in the Implementation Resources and Level Overview sections of the digital platform.

**Preparation:** This section identifies preparation teachers should complete before the lesson, including media teachers must cue before the lesson and activities that require setup. This section also describes advance preparation for upcoming lessons. For example, if teachers need to prepare 1 day in advance for an activity in Lesson 11, an advance preparation note appears in the Preparation section for Lesson 10. A symbol ( ) identifies lessons with advance preparation notes.



### **Ecosystems** | Advance 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 lessons 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.
5	5 days†	Teacher Plant Growth Investigation	Prepare green onion plants.
10	1 day <sup>†</sup>	Model Bird Beak Stations	Prepare materials for Model Bird Beak Stations.
13	10 days	Mold Growth on Raspberries Investigation	Purchase 1 carton of raspberries, and transfer the raspberries to a sealed container.
13	6 days	Mold Growth on Raspberries Investigation	Purchase 2 cartons of raspberries. Transfer 1 carton to a sealed container, and prepare the other carton for Lesson 15.
13	2 days	Mold Growth on Raspberries Investigation	Purchase 1 carton of raspberries, and transfer the raspberries to a sealed container.
15	8 days	Decomposing Raspberries in Sand and Soil Investigation	Transfer raspberries to containers filled with sand and soil. Note: This preparation is concurrent with the preparation for Lesson 13.
16	1 day	Nutrient Testing	Prepare sand and soil water mixtures.
21	2 weeks	Radish Growth Investigation	Plant radish seeds.

## **Ecosystems** | Lesson Preparation

#### Lesson 1

Materials	Kit Items None School-Supplied Items  Scissors (1) Item Reuse
	☐ Lesson 2 requires the prepared class notice and wonder chart.
Resources	<ul> <li>□ Lesson 1 Resource A: Tree Photograph (optional)</li> <li>□ Lesson 1 Resource B: Mangrove Tree Ecosystem Organism Cards</li> <li>□ The Mangrove Tree: Planting Trees to Feed Families (Roth and Trumbore 2011)</li> </ul>
Preparation	☐ Select an outdoor tree for student observation. Alternatively, display or distribute color copies of Lesson 1 Resource A.
	□ Prepare organism cards. Print and cut out enough copies of the cards in Lesson 1 Resource B so that each student receives one card. Consider printing on cardstock and laminating for future use.
	Advance Preparation for Lesson 5  ☐ 6 or More Days Before: 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 during Lesson 5.

Materials	Kit Items None
	School-Supplied Items  Glue sticks (24)  Scissors (24)
	Prepared Items from Previous Lessons  □ Class notice and wonder chart started in Lesson 1
Resources	☐ Lesson 1 Resource B: Mangrove Tree Ecosystem Organism Cards ☐ <i>The Mangrove Tree</i>
Preparation	☐ Prepare to distribute a copy of Lesson 1 Resource B to each student.

Materials	Kit Items  Ball, table tennis (1)  Ball, tennis (1)  Bottles, clear plastic, 16.9 oz (2)  Gloves, disposable (1 pair)  Graduated cylinder, 50 mL (1)  Meter sticks (2)  Spoon, plastic (1)
	Module 1 Kit  □ Ruler, metric (1)  □ Scale, digital (1)
	School-Supplied Items  Green onion plants with bulbs (2)  Paper towels (partial roll)  Potting soil (100 g)  Sunlight or grow light (access)  Tape, masking (partial roll)  Water (access)
	<ul> <li>Item Reuse</li> <li>□ Lesson 4 requires the displayed student plant growth investigation materials and the prepared fair test criteria chart.</li> <li>□ Module 3 Lesson 3, requires the fair test criteria chart.</li> </ul>
Resources	□ Lesson 3 Resource: Sequoia Tree and Seed Photographs 🐧
Preparation	☐ Prepare fair test demonstration. Measure 2 m above the floor and 1 m above a desktop.  Mark the wall at each location with masking tape to prepare for fair test ball drop.
	Advance Preparation for Lesson 13  □ 10 Days Before: Purchase 1 carton of raspberries. Transfer the raspberries to a sealed container. (See Lesson 13 Resource B.)



Materials	Kit Items
	□ Bottles, clear plastic, 16.9 oz (12)
	□ Gloves, disposable (24 pairs)
	□ Graduated cylinders, 50 mL (6)
	□ Spoons, plastic (6)
	Module 1 Kit
	□ Rulers, metric (6)
	□ Safety goggles, student (24)
	□ Safety goggles, teacher (1)
	□ Scales, digital (6)
	School-Supplied Items
	□ Green onion plants with bulbs (12)
	□ Paper towels (partial roll)
	□ Potting soil (600 g)
	□ Sunlight or grow light (access)
	□ Water (access)
	Prepared Items from Previous Lessons
	☐ Fair test criteria chart started in Lesson 3
	Item Reuse
	<ul> <li>Lesson 5 requires the prepared student plant growth investigation plants, the digital scales, and 1 of the graduated cylinders.</li> </ul>
	☐ Lesson 8 requires the prepared fair test criteria chart.
Resources	□ Lesson 4 Resource: Sample Student Plant Growth Investigation Plans (optional)
Preparation	None

#### Lesson 5

Materials	Kit Items  Bottles, clear plastic, 16.9 oz (4)  Gloves, disposable (1 pair)  Graduated cylinder, 50 mL (1)  Skewers, wooden (4)  Spoon, plastic (1)  Module 1 Kit  Rulers, metric (6)  Scales, digital (6)  School-Supplied Items  Green onion plants with bulbs (4)
	☐ Marker, permanent (1) ☐ Paper towels (partial roll) ☐ Potting soil (150 g) ☐ Scissors (1) ☐ Sunlight or grow light (access) ☐ Water (75 mL)
	Prepared Items from Previous Lessons  □ Student plant growth investigation plants started in Lesson 4 (6 per group)  Item Reuse □ Lesson 13 requires 3 of the digital scales. Save the remaining digital scales for reuse in Lesson 21. □ Lesson 21 requires the prepared student plant growth investigation plants.
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
Preparation	None

Materials	Kit Items None School-Supplied Items None
Resources	☐ Lesson 3 Resource: Sequoia Tree and Seed Photographs ☐ Lesson 6 Resource A: Plant Gas Investigation Diagrams ☐ Lesson 6 Resource B: NASA Carbon Dioxide Model Images ☐
Preparation	☐ Cue NASA Carbon Dioxide Model video (NASA 2021) (http://phdsci.link/2382).

#### Lesson 7

Materials	Kit Items  Water, sparkling, clear bottle, unopened (1)  School-Supplied Items  None
Resources	☐ Lesson 6 Resource A: Plant Gas Investigation Diagrams ☐ Lesson 7 Resource A: Human Oxygen Investigation Diagrams  ☐ Lesson 7 Resource B: Conceptual Checkpoint  ☐
Preparation	<ul> <li>□ Prepare to distribute a copy of Lesson 7 Resource B to each student.</li> <li>Advance Preparation for Lesson 13</li> <li>□ 6 Days Before: 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.)</li> <li>Advance Preparation for Lesson 15</li> <li>□ 8 Days Before: 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.</li> </ul>

Materials	Kit Items None
	School-Supplied Items None
	Prepared Items from Previous Lessons  ☐ Fair test criteria chart started in Lesson 3
	Item Reuse  ☐ Lesson 18 requires the prepared fair test criteria chart.
Resources	□ Lesson 8 Resource A: Grizzly Bear Photographs  □ Lesson 8 Resource B: Yellowstone Garbage Dump Photograph  □ Lesson 8 Resource C: Yellowstone Average Annual Precipitation Graph  □ Lesson 8 Resource D: Adult Grizzly Bear Mass Graph  □ Lesson 8 Resource E: Lizard Photographs  □ Lesson 8 Resource E: Lizard Photographs
Preparation	☐ Cue bears preparing for winter video (Clemens 2018) (http://phdsci.link/1189).



#### Lesson 9

Materials	<b>Kit Items</b> ☐ Bingo chips: blue, red, yellow (at least 90 of each color)
	School-Supplied Items  ☐ Glue sticks (24) ☐ Scissors (24)
	Item Reuse  ☐ Lesson 17 requires 60 of the blue bingo chips and 60 of the yellow bingo chips.
Resources	□ Lesson 9 Resource A: Bear Photographs □ Lesson 9 Resource B: Food Sources Information
Preparation	□ Prepare to distribute a copy of Lesson 9 Resource B to each student.

Materials	Kit Items
	□ Bottles, plastic, small (4)
	□ Bowls, 1 qt or larger (8)
	□ Clay, modeling, nonhardening (1 lb)
	□ Corks, cylindrical (12)
	□ Ladles (4)
	□ Marbles (12)
	□ Pipettes, disposable (4)
	☐ Rice, uncooked (4 cups)
	□ Sand (4 cups)
	□ Tongs (4)
	□ Tweezers (4)
	Module 1 Kit
	□ Pie tins (4)
	School-Supplied Items
	□ Glue stick (1)
	□ Scissors (4)
	□ Water (access)
	Item Reuse
	☐ Lesson 11 requires the prepared animals class chart.
Resources	☐ Lesson 10 Resource A: Whooping Crane and Northern Harrier Photographs ⑤
	☐ Lesson 10 Resource B: Bird Photographs
	☐ Lesson 10 Resource C: Model Bird Beaks Procedure Sheet
	☐ Lesson 10 Resource D: Model Bird Beaks Setup Instructions
	□ Lesson 10 Resource E: Wildlife Photographs
Preparation	☐ Cue whooping crane video (http://phdsci.link/1859). ■
	☐ Prepare model bird beaks stations. (See Lesson 10 Resource D.)

#### Lesson 11

Materials	Kit Items None
	School-Supplied Items  Computers or tablets (4)  Glue stick (1)
	□ Scissors (1)
	Prepared Items from Previous Lessons  Animals class chart started in Lesson 10
Resources	<ul> <li>□ Lesson 11 Resource A: Black Mangrove Photograph</li> <li>□ Lesson 11 Resource B: Plant Diagram</li> <li>□ Lesson 11 Resource C: Plant Cards</li> <li>□ Lesson 11 Resource D: Map of Texas Coastline</li> <li>□ Lesson 11 Resource E: Organism Stations Setup Instructions</li> <li>□ Lesson 11 Resource F: Organism Challenge Cards</li> </ul>
Preparation	☐ Prepare plant cards. (See Lesson 11 Resource C.) ☐ Prepare organism stations. (See Lesson 11 Resource E.) ☐ Cue raccoon climbing video (http://phdsci.link/1076).
	Advance Preparation for Lesson 13  □ 2 Days Before: Purchase 1 carton of raspberries, and transfer the raspberries to a sealed container. (See Lesson 13 Resource B.)
	Advance Preparation for Lesson 21  2 Weeks Before: Plant radish seeds for radish growth investigation. (See Lesson 21 Resource A.)

Materials	Kit Items None School-Supplied Items Glue stick (1) Scissors (1)
Resources	□ Lesson 12 Resource A: Hummingbirds Photograph  □ Lesson 12 Resource B: Animal Cards
Preparation	□ Prepare animal cards. (See Lesson 12 Resource B.) □ Cue ○ hatching sand lizard video (http://phdsci.link/2386), ○ raccoon climbing video (http://phdsci.link/1076), ○ coyote pups video (http://phdsci.link/1801), ○ coyote hunting video (http://phdsci.link/1802).

#### Lesson 13

Materials	Kit Items Containers with lids, clear plastic, 12 oz or larger (3) Gloves, disposable (24 pairs)  Module 1 Kit Safety goggles, student (24) Safety goggles, teacher (1) Scales, digital (3)  School-Supplied Items Raspberries, 6 oz cartons (3)  Item Reuse Lesson 21 requires the digital scales.
Resources	☐ Lesson 13 Resource A: Raspberry Bush Photograph ☐ Lesson 13 Resource B: Mold Growth on Raspberries Investigation Setup Instructions
Preparation	None

Materials	Kit Items None School-Supplied Items None
Resources	☐ Lesson 14 Resource A: Mushroom Article Excerpts (Bardoe 2011)  ☐ Lesson 14 Resource B: Decomposition Article Adaptation (Kowalski 2014)  ☐ Lesson 14 Resource C: Bacteria Illustration
Preparation	None

Materials	Kit Items  ☐ Containers with lids, clear plastic, 12 oz or larger (14)  ☐ Gloves, disposable (24 pairs)  ☐ Sand (3 ½ cups)  ☐ Spoons, plastic (6)  Module 1 Kit
	<ul> <li>☐ Magnifiers, handheld, plastic (6)</li> <li>School-Supplied Items</li> <li>☐ Paper towels (6 sheets)</li> <li>☐ Potting soil (3 ½ cups)</li> <li>☐ Raspberries, 6 oz carton (1)</li> </ul>
Resources	<ul> <li>□ Lesson 15 Resource A: Human Mummy Photograph</li> <li>□ Lesson 15 Resource B: Decomposing Raspberries in Sand and Soil Investigation Setup Instructions</li> <li>□ Lesson 15 Resource C: Sand and Soil Photographs</li> </ul>
Preparation	☐ Cue time-lapse composting video (van Egmond 2017) ( <a href="http://phdsci.link/2387">http://phdsci.link/2387</a> ). ☐ Prepare containers for sand and soil observation. Add half a cup of sand to each of six 12 oz clear plastic containers. Add half a cup of soil to each of six 12 oz clear plastic containers.
	Advance Preparation for Lesson 16  □ 1 Day Before: Prepare sand and soil water mixtures. (See Lesson 16 Resource A.)



#### **Lesson 16**

Materials	Kit Items  Jars with lids, clear plastic, 8 oz (2) Gloves, disposable (24 pairs) Pipettes, disposable (2) Sand (3 tbsp) Soil test kits Test tubes, color-coded, blue, orange, purple (4 of each color) Blue capsules for phosphorus (4) Orange capsules for potassium (potash) (4) Purple capsules for nitrogen (4)  School-Supplied Items Markers, permanent (2) Potting soil (3 tbsp)
	☐ Potting soil (3 tosp) ☐ Scissors (1) ☐ Water (access)
Resources	□ Lesson 14 Resource B: Decomposition Article Adaptation □ Lesson 15 Resource A: Human Mummy Photograph □ Lesson 16 Resource A: Nutrient Testing Setup Instructions □ Lesson 16 Resource B: Nutrient Testing Procedure Sheet □ Lesson 16 Resource C: Plant Nutrient Comparison Chart □ Lesson Chart
Preparation	□ Prepare materials for nutrient testing. (See Lesson 16 Resources A and B.)

Materials	Kit Items  □ Bingo chips: blue, yellow (at least 60 of each color)  School-Supplied Items  □ Pencils, colored (6 sets)
Resources	☐ Lesson 17 Resource A: Whooping Crane Migration Photograph  ☐ Lesson 17 Resource B: Conceptual Checkpoint  ☐ The Mangrove Tree
Preparation	□ Prepare to distribute a copy of Lesson 17 Resource B to each student.

#### Lesson 18

Materials	Kit Items None
	School-Supplied Items  □ Pencils, colored, assorted colors (48)
	Prepared Items from Previous Lessons  □ Fair test criteria chart started in Lesson 3
Resources	☐ Lesson 18 Resource A: Mouse Investigation Description ☐ Lesson 18 Resource B: Mouse Investigation Results
Preparation	□ Prepare to distribute a copy of Lesson 18 Resource A to each student.

#### **Lesson 19**

Materials	Kit Items None School-Supplied Items  □ Scissors (1)
Resources	□ Lesson 19 Resource: Animal Cards
Preparation	□ Prepare animal cards. (See Lesson 19 Resource.)

Materials	Kit Items None School-Supplied Items None
Resources	<ul> <li>□ Lesson 8 Resource A: Grizzly Bear Photographs</li> <li>□ Lesson 20 Resource A: Atlas Moth Photographs</li> <li>□ Lesson 20 Resource B: Atlas Moth Information</li> <li>□ Lesson 20 Resource C: Grizzly Bear Information (National Park Service 2018)</li> <li>□ Lesson 20 Resource D: Grizzly Bear Mass by Season Graph</li> <li>■ Lesson 20 Resource D: Grizzly Bear Mass by Season Graph</li> </ul>
Preparation	☐ Prepare to distribute a copy of Lesson 20 Resource B to each student. ☐ Prepare to distribute a copy of Lesson 20 Resource C to each student pair.

#### Lesson 21

Materials	Kit Items  □ Cups, clear plastic, 3 oz (2) □ Seeds, radish (35)
	Module 1 Kit  □ Rulers, metric (6) □ Scales, digital (6)
	School-Supplied Items  ☐ Potting soil (1 cup)  ☐ Water (access)
	Prepared Items from Previous Lessons  ☐ Student plant growth investigation plants started in Lesson 4 (2 per group)
Resources	☐ Lesson 21 Resource A: Radish Growth Investigation Setup Instructions ☐ Lesson 21 Resource B: Photosynthesis Video Transcript
Preparation	☐ Cue photosynthesis video (http://phdsci.link/2390). ☐ ☐ Prepare to distribute a copy of Lesson 21 Resource B to each student.

Materials	Kit Items None School-Supplied Items None
Resources	☐ Lesson 22 Resource A: Amazon Rainforest Food Web ☐ Lesson 22 Resource B: Amazon Rainforest Images ☐ Lesson 22 Resource C: Conceptual Checkpoint ☐ The Mangrove Tree
Preparation	☐ Prepare to distribute a color copy of Lesson 22 Resource A to each student. ☐ Prepare to distribute a copy of Lesson 22 Resource C to each student.

#### Lesson 23

Materials	Kit Items  Name tags, adhesive (24)  Yarn balls (3)  School-Supplied Items  None
Resources	☐ Lesson 23 Resource A: Emerald Ash Borer Photograph <a> ☐ Lesson 23 Resource B: Emerald Ash Borer Excerpts (Rice and Klooster 2014) <a> ☐ The Mangrove Tree (optional)</a></a>
Preparation	☐ Prepare name tags for ecosystem modeling. Write a mangrove tree organism from the anchor model on each name tag. Ensure that all organisms are represented at least once in each group.

### Lesson 24

Materials	Kit Items None School-Supplied Items None
Resources	☐ Lesson 24 Resource A: Engineering Challenge Rubric ☐ Lesson 24 Resource B: Engineering Design Process ☐ Lesson 24 Resource C: Emerald Ash Borer Resources ☐ The Mangrove Tree
Preparation	☐ Prepare research materials for students. (See Lesson 24 Resource C.)

Materials	Kit Items None School-Supplied Items □ Markers (6 sets)
Resources	□ Lesson 24 Resource A: Engineering Challenge Rubric
Preparation	None

#### **Lesson 26**

Materials	Kit Items None School-Supplied Items None
Resources	□ Lesson 24 Resource A: Engineering Challenge Rubric □ Lesson 24 Resource B: Engineering Design Process  □ The Mangrove Tree
Preparation	None

#### Lesson 27

Materials	Kit Items None School-Supplied Items Glue sticks (24) Scissors (24)
Resources	None
Preparation	None

Materials	Kit Items None School-Supplied Items None
Resources	□ Lesson 28 Resource: Raine Island Ecosystem Model
Preparation	☐ Prepare to distribute a copy of Lesson 28 Resource to each student.  ☐ Prepare to distribute a copy of the End-of-Module Assessment to each student.

#### Lesson 29

Materials	Kit Items None
	School-Supplied Items
	☐ Pencils or pens, colored (24) ☐ Scissors (1)
Resources	☐ Lesson 29 Resource A: Module Concept Statements
	☐ Lesson 29 Resource B: Recurring Themes and Concepts
	☐ End-of-Module Assessment Rubric ⑤
Preparation	□ Score End-of-Module Assessments and write individual feedback.
	☐ Select End-of-Module Assessment responses to share with students. If selecting student responses, remember to remove identifying information and to choose diverse student responses.
	□ Prepare visual for student connections between module learning and content standards.  (See Lesson 29 Resources A and B.)

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