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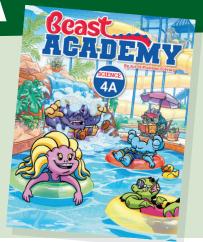
HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

BEAST ACADEMY SCIENCE 4A

Beast Academy 4A is part of a series of science books that is currently planned to span grades 3 through 5 when complete.

We are always creating new books, materials, and resources to complement this book.

Check the Science 4A page of BeastAcademy.com for the most up-to-date information and resources available.



PLANNING

Beast Academy Science 4A is part 1 in a two-part Level 4 science series. Together with 4B, Level 4 offers a complete science curriculum for motivated and curious 4th graders.

Level 4 includes 32 chapters (16 per book). To complete the curriculum in a typical 36-week school year, we recommend completing 1 chapter each instructional week.

If time is limited, students may skip enrichment activities marked with a • in the contents section at the beginning of each chapter.



ACTIVITY TYPES

Comic Guide Sections ANA

BA characters discuss important science concepts and ideas. Readers answer questions along the way.



Labs 👗

One of the best ways to learn science is to do science! Students investigate how things work on their own.



Practice Pages

A variety of question types including puzzles, activities, and games help students learn to think like scientists.



QUESTION TYPES

Every question students are expected to answer is numbered and has an answer or brief discussion in the back, beginning on page 328.

There are a wide variety of question types including ones marked by the icons below:

CHALLENGE:

Starred questions and tasks have hints in the back starting on page 324.

DISCUSSION:

Find a partner or group and work through these questions together.

RESEARCH:

Students will need access to online resources to answer these questions.

JOURNAL:

Collect answers to these questions in a separate science journal notebook.

STANDARDS

BA Science 4A content is aligned to the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS), but often goes well beyond what is typically expected of students. Together with 4B, Level 4 will cover all of the concepts, practices, and standards outlined for grade 4.

Among the NGSS standards covered in this book are:

Energy (Unit 1: Chapters 1-6)

Explore the relationship between speed and energy. (4-PS3-1) Observe how energy is transferred between objects. (4-PS3-2) Predict changes in energy during collisions. (4-PS3-3)



Processes that Shape Earth (Unit 2: Chapters 7-11)

Explain evidence for changes in landscapes over time. (4-ESS1-1) Observe the effects of weathering and erosion. (4-ESS2-1) Explore patterns in Earth's features with maps and data. (4-ESS2-2)



Structure and Function (Unit 3: Chapters 12-16)

Explore the functions of plant and animal structures. (4-LS1-1)



MATERIALS

SCIENCE JOURNAL

Every student should collect their work in a science journal. Any notebook will do.

COMMON ITEMS (Used in several activities)

- Scissors
- Tape
- Glue

- Water
- Disposable straws
- Cereal boxes
- · Colored pencils
- · Centimeter ruler
- Video camera (optional)

CHAPTER 1

- Marble
- Bucket

- Dry sand or similar material
- Meter stick or tape measure

CHAPTER 2

· 5 coins or similar tokens

CHAPTER 3

- 3 red and 3 black checkers or similar
- Small flat table
- Bowl
- Plastic wrap

CHAPTER 4

- Various balls
- Meter stick or tape measure

CHAPTER 5

- Balloon
- Plastic bag
- Dry laundry powder
- Paperclip or metal coat hanger
- Metal spoon
- Plastic spoon
- Napkins
- Ice cubes

CHAPTER 6

- Digital kitchen scale
- Measuring cups
- Sugar
- Spoon

- · Basketball or similar
- · Tennis ball or similar

CHAPTER 8

- New sidewalk chalk
- Plastic food container
- Salt
- Flour
- Plastic bags

- Small glass bottle
- Disposable foil pan
- Dirt
- Small shovel
- Gallon jug

- Nail
- Wood, bricks, or other scrap materials
- Video camera (optional)

CHAPTER 10

Tangerine

CHAPTER 11

• Juice and smoothie (optional)

CHAPTER 12

- Ends from celery, cabbage, sweet potatoes, or onions
- Shoe box
- Small pot of soil
- 3-5 beans or seeds
- 2 coins

CHAPTER 13

String

Beads

CHAPTER 14

· Foods with nutrition labels

CHAPTER 15

- Funnel or plastic water bottle
- Paper towel tube
- Balloon

- Stopwatch or timer
- White fresh cut flowers
- Paper towel

- Liquid food coloring
- Eye dropper
- Paperclip
- Vegetable oil

CHAPTER 16

- 6-sided die
- 2 small game tokens
- 16 dry beans or corn kernels
- Rubbing alcohol (optional)



(Works best with uncooked ingredients)

KSIA

His room is Waadaay cleaner than mine

makes neat vacuum patterns in his rug



Winnje

Really smart about most things Doesn't appreciate fine art



This does NOT look like me!

Lizzie

Loves to read

writes book reviews on her own

SCALES TALES website















