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HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

BEAST ACADEMY SCIENCE 4B

Beast Academy 4B 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 4B page of BeastAcademy.com for the most up-to-date information and resources available.



PLANNING

Beast Academy Science 4B is part 2 in a two-part Level 4 science series. Together with 4A, 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.



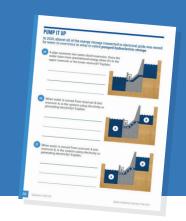
Labs 👗

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 4B content is aligned to the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS), but often goes well beyond what is typically expected of students. Together with 4A, 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 strategies of using Earth's resources for energy. (4-ESS3-1) Design a device that changes energy into a different form. (4-PS3-4)



Processes that Shape Earth (Unit 2: Chapters 7-10)

Identify solutions to reduce harm from natural disasters. (4-ESS1-1)



Describe and model features of waves. (4-PS4-1)

Explain how the reflection of light allows animals to see. (4-PS4-2) Compare strategies for transmitting information. (4-PS4-3)



Structure and Function (Unit 3: Chapters 11-16)

Explore how organisms react to the world using senses. (4-LS1-2)



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
- Calculator
- Ruler

- Paperclips
- Standard 6-sided dice
- Disposable straws
- Spoons

- Water
- Salt
- Freezer
- Video camera (optional)

CHAPTER 3

Index cards

Paper cups

Floss

CHAPTER 7

- Plastic water bottle
- Empty milk carton
- Cocoa powder
- Drinking glass
- Olive oil
- Ice cube tray

CHAPTER 8

- Fruit juice
- Large clean bowl
- Small clean bowl or glass
- Plastic wrap

- Small heavy object
- Four drinking glasses
- Ice
- Measuring cups
- Tablespoon

- Thermometer
- Plastic cups
- · One fresh egg

CHAPTER 9

- Pepper flakes
- Shallow bowl or plate
- Small game tokens
- Towels
- Large tray

- Two identical plastic bottles
- Thin waterproof card (used gift card or similar)
- Hot and cold water
- Food coloring
- Pitchers (optional)

CHAPTER 10

- 8-ft long rope (at least one-eighth inch thick)
- Large cake pan (2 inches or deeper)
- Large, rimmed baking sheet
- Towels
- Aluminum foil
- Pans of various sizes (optional)

CHAPTER 11

Blindfold

CHAPTER 12

- Tone generator app
- Empty tissue box
- Rubber bands (many sizes)
- 3 identical glass bottles
- 10 counters in 2 colors (buttons, beans, or similar)
- 2 folders

CHAPTER 13

- Large bowl
- Handheld mirror
- White folder or paper
- Water hose (optional)
- Cereal box

- Tracing paper, parchment paper, or similar
- Magnifying glass (optional)
- Masking tape
- Paper towel tube
- Standard deck of playing cards
- Softball or similar

CHAPTER 14

Flashlight (optional)

CHAPTER 15

- Paper towel tube
- Yogurt

- Food coloring
- Index cards
- 3 small bowls

CHAPTER 16

Standard deck of playing cards



KSIA

His room is waadday cleaner than mine

makes neat vacuum patterns in his rug



Winnie

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















