Lesson Plan Model¹

Lesson Title/#: Butterfly Life Cycle

Grade Level: Kindergarten

Learning Central Focus

Central Focus	Butterfly Life Cycle
What is the central focus for the content in the learning segment?	
Content Standard	K-ESS2-2 Construct an argument supported by evidence for how plants and animals (including humans) can
What standard(s) are most	change
relevant to the learning goals?	the environment to meet their needs.
Student Learning	1. Students will be able to identify the four stages of the butterfly life cycle.
Goal(s)/ Objective(s)	2. Students will understand what a cocoon, larva, and pupa are.
Skills/procedures What are the specific learning goal(s) for student in this lesson?	
Concepts and reasoning/problem solving/thinking/strategies ² What are the specific learning goal(s) for students in this lesson?	
Prior Academic	Students should know what a butterfly is.
Knowledge and	
Conceptions	
What knowledge, skills, and concepts must students already	
know to be successful with this lesson?	
What prior knowledge and/or	
gaps in knowledge do these	
students have that are necessary to support the learning of the	
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² The prompt provided here should be modified to reflect subject specific aspects of learning. Language here is mathematics related. See candidate edTPA handbooks for the "Making Good Choices" resource for subject specific components.

skills and concepts for this lesson?	
Common Errors,	
Developmental	
Approximations,	
Misconceptions, Partial	
Understandings, or	
Misunderstandings	
What are common errors or	
misunderstandings of students related to the central focus of this	
lesson?	
How will you address them for this group of students?	

Instructional Strategies and Learning Tasks Description of what the teacher (you) will be doing and/or what the students will be doing.

Launch	Playing the butterfly life cycle video
Minutes	
How will you start the lesson to engage and motivate students in learning?	
Instruction Minutes	Explain to them what the four stages are, show them pictures, and use the handheld manipulatives that represent each stage. I will engage them by asking questions to make sure they grasp the concept.
What will you do to engage students in developing understanding of the lesson objective(s)?	
How will you link the new content (skills and concepts) to students' prior academic learning and their	

personal/cultural	
and community	
assets?	
What will you say	
and do? What	
questions will you	
ask?	
How will you engage	
students to help	
them understand the	
concepts?	
concepts.	
What will students	
do?	
How will you	
determine if	
students are meeting	
the intended	
learning objectives?	
Structured	I will quiz the students by using a slideshow to post pictures of each stage and ask them what the stage of that picture is.
Practice and	
Application	
Minutes	
How will you give	
students the	
opportunity to	
practice so you can	
provide feedback?	
How will students	
How will students apply what they	
have learned?	
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How will you	
determine if	
students are meeting	
the intended	
learning objectives?	

Closure	I will close the lesson by playing that video again and having them say the stages with the video.
Minutes	
How will you end the lesson?	
Differentiation/	Whole Class:
Planned	
Support	
How will you provide students access to learning based on individual and group needs?	Groups of students with similar needs:
How will you support students with gaps in the prior knowledge that is necessary to be	Individual students:
successful in this lesson?	Students with IEP's or 504 plans:
	Strategies for responding to common errors and misunderstandings, developmental approximations, misconceptions, partial understandings, and/or misunderstandings:
Student Interactions	The students will be doing this as a whole class so they get to work as one big group.
How will you structure opportunities for students to work with partners or in groups? What criteria will you use when forming	

groups?	
What Ifs What might not go as planned and how can you be ready to make adjustment?	The students might not grasp the concept as easily as I planned for so we could take longer on the lesson or spread it out over a few days.
Theoretical Principles and/or Research– Based Best Practices Why are the learning	
tasks for this lesson appropriate for your students?	
Materials What materials does the teacher need for this lesson? What materials do the students need for this lesson?	computer, smartboard, handheld manipulatives, slideshow

Academic Language Demand(s):

What language function do you	
want students to develop in this	
lesson? What must students	
understand in order to be	
intellectually engaged in the	
lesson?	
What content specific terms	
(vocabulary) do students need to	
support learning of the learning	

objective for this lesson	
What specific way(s) will students need to use language (reading, writing, listening and/or speaking) to participate in learning tasks and demonstrate their learning for this lesson?	
What are your students' abilities with regard to the oral and written language associated with this lesson?	
How will you support students so they can understand and use the language associated with the language function and other demands in meeting the learning objectives of the lesson?	

Assessments:

Describe the tools/procedures that will be used in **this lesson** to monitor students' learning of the lesson objective(s). Attach a copy of the assessment and the evaluation criteria/rubric in the resources section at the end of the lesson plan.

Type of assessment	Description of assessment	Modifications to the assessment so	Evaluation Criteria - What evidence of
(Informal or Formal)		that all students could demonstrate	student learning (related to the learning
		their learning.	objectives and central focus) does the
			assessment provide?

Analyzing Teaching To be completed after the lesson has be taught

What worked? What didn't? For whom?	
Adjustments	
What instructional changes do you need to make as you prepare for the lesson tomorrow?	
Proposed	Whole class:
Changes.	
If you could teach this lesson again to this group of students what	Groups of students:
changes would you make to your instruction?	Individual students:
Justification	
Why will these	
changes improve student learning?	
What research/ theory supports these changes?	

Resources:

Attach each assessment and associated evaluation criteria/rubric.