

Winter 2024: Persistence

Animal Superheroes Curriculum

Series Overview

This Winter, we're focusing on **persistence**! Each lesson is designed to support a different aspect of persistence, inspired by the unique survival powers of a different "animal superhero."

As kids learn ways to be active outdoors and bring the outdoors in, they'll discover the magic of winter and how to play and learn outdoors *all four seasons*!



"Plants and animals don't fight the winter... They prepare. They adapt. They perform extraordinary acts of metamorphosis to get them through."

—Katherine May



Focus Skill: Persistence

Persistence is being able to stick with it and push through challenges to reach a goal, learn and grow. Babies are naturally persistent, and we can help kids remain so as they grow if we let them lead and take on challenges, getting chances to learn from both success and failure.

Read more at tkgtn.com/persistence

Lesson Map

The 9 core lessons are organized in three units:

1. Survivors and Thrivers: Play like amazing animals who survive the winter.
2. Hard Workers: Play like creatures who thrive through effort and repetition.
3. Clever Creators: Play like creatures who build and create.

Download a copy of the map.



What is Tinkergarten?

Designed by experts, loved by teachers, parents and kids, Tinkergarten gets kids ages 1 1/2 to 8 learning outside. Kids who participate get the physical and mental benefits of increased time outdoors and build a lasting connection to nature. Tinkergarten lessons are designed to take place in home spaces, shared community green spaces, school settings and all of the places in between.

The Tinkergarten Learning Journey

As they progress through the program, children develop a strong foundation in 8 essential skills that kids need to become creative, caring and confident people who can thrive in a dynamic world. They can also participate in special events designed to spark joy and deepen kids' ties to their local biome and community.



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SERIES MAP

Color in a new segment each time you complete part of the program to track your progress!

Start!

End!

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Lantern Walk

Stone Soup



Unit 1: Survivors and Thrivers

Lesson 1

Meet the Superheroes



Lesson 2

Frozen Friends



Lesson 3

Hibernation Station



Lesson 4

Woodpecker's Work



Lesson 5

Push and Pull



Lesson 6

Building Up



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Spring Forward

Reflect & Celebrate



Lesson 9

Super Celebration



Lesson 8

Nest For Explorers



Lesson 7

Wonder Weaver



Unit 2: Hard Workers

Unit 3: Clever Creators

WEEKLY GOAL

A Week Full of Purposeful Play!
One Live Session PLUS Three Home Play Sessions

