

Week 3



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Learn with Me at Home Activity: Plant Part Nature Walk

This week, our class learned about stems and leaves on plants. Your child has learned that plant parts we can eat are called “edible” and ones that we can’t eat are “non-edible.”

Go outside and take a nature walk with your child to explore stems and leaves that are non-edible. Gather five different sizes of stems and twigs and five different types of leaves on your walk.

When you get home, talk about the different sizes and shapes of stems and leaves. Play games to sort and study them this way:

- ★ Sort leaves and stems into two different piles.
- ★ Organize stems from longest to shortest.
- ★ Arrange them in a leaf-stem-leaf-stem pattern.
- ★ Ask: Which is longer: this leaf or this stem?
- ★ Ask: What else should we do with our stems and leaves?

Take a picture of your child with their collected leaves and stems and share the picture with your child’s teacher.



Learn at Home Tips:

- A nature walk does not have to be in a park or woodsy area. It can be as easy as walking around your home and pointing out interesting things you notice about the plants, soil, insects, or sky around you.
- Let your child know that you enjoy the time spent outdoors together and finish your walk by saying, “That was fun getting to go on that nature walk with you!”
- Finish the activity by reminding your child that the sticks and twigs you found on your walk are non-edible stems. Ask if he or she can think of an edible leaf or stem that he or she has eaten.