

# Weekly Plan Pre-School

**Unit Title :** We come from different places

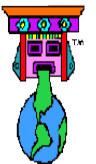
**Unit Focus :** Science /Social Studies

**Theme :** What do we know about the Sonoran Desert and the animals that live there?

**Standards:** \_\_\_\_\_

This Plan has three purposes : (1) to assist teachers in providing successful teaching / learning experiences in their classrooms, (2) to provide teachers with a program and documents that can be used for the unit, and (3) to allow the teachers to identify the relevant education standards to which this lesson plan may apply.

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## **OBJECTIVES - (know, be able to do, things they understand)**

- Be able to name animals of the desert when you see their pictures.
- Be able to describe the physical features of the Sonoran Desert and special features the animals have so they can live there.
- Be able to locate the Sonoran Desert on a map.
- Know foreign vocabulary for key words.
- Understand how climate affects the animal and plant life of the Sonoran Desert.

## **LEARNING ACTIVITIES -**

- Listen to the book "Meet My Desert Friends - Rita the Bird Dog Sonoran Desert Series" by Karla Lehmann.
- Sing the "Animals of the Desert" and "Rita the Bird Dog" songs.
- Create art projects based on the animals of the desert.

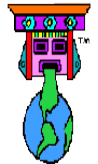
## **TEACHER RESOURCES -**

- Meet My Desert Friends - Rita the Bird Dog Sonoran Desert Series by Karla Lehmann, copyright 2011.
- Animal coloring sheets, Sonoran Desert map, desert animal pictures with language vocabulary, and Rita the Bird Dog puzzle downloaded from [www.GeographicTongueEditions.com](http://www.GeographicTongueEditions.com)

## **MATERIALS NEEDED -**

- Glue, scissors, corrugated cardboard (or green construction paper or neoprene), green paint, crayons, pen or pencil

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<b>Contents</b>	<b>Skills</b>
<p><b>Day 1:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Story time with "Meet My Desert Friends - Rita the Bird Dog Sonoran Desert Series" by Karla Lehmann, copyright 2009</li><li>• Review the map in the book</li><li>• Discuss different animals that live in the desert and how they survive in the desert</li><li>• Introduce vocabulary and words in other languages</li><li>• Sing the "Animals of the Desert" and "Rita the Bird Dog" songs</li><li>• Rita the Bird Dog puzzle</li></ul> <p><b>Day 2:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discuss the animals and special features they have which help them survive in the desert.</li><li>• Play game holding up pictures with vocabulary and words in other languages - ask children to identify the pictures in their native language and then you can practice the other languages as well</li><li>• Draw/color the map</li><li>• Learn the words to the "Animals of the Desert" and "Rita the Bird Dog" songs.</li></ul>	<p><b>Speaking :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Compare different geographies</li><li>• Describe and discuss familiar experiences like hiking or seeing wild animals</li></ul> <p><b>Writing :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Trace the different shapes used in Rita the Bird Dog puzzle and color the picture</li><li>• Color the puzzle and the map</li></ul> <p><b>Presenting :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Learn a song</li></ul> <p><b>Listening :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Listen to specific information</li></ul> <p><b>Reading :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reading "Meet My Desert Friends - Rita the Bird Dog Sonoran Desert Series" by Karla Lehmann, copyright 2011.</li></ul>

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