



## UMBRELLA CURRICULUM KIT RESOURCES

Besides the many books, resources and videos in our Resource Library, Umbrella has curriculum kits available. They have been prepared to include items that will help you extend your own resources. The kits are in great demand and we're adding to them continually.

If you wish to reserve one for your centre, call Umbrella at (416) 686-9869 well in advance of the date that it is required.

### ALPHABET



Helps children learn their A-B-C's. Kit includes felt letters, floor puzzle, rotating alphabet blocks as well as books.

### ANTI-BIAS



Inclusive kit containing glasses, seeing eye dog, wheelchair, dolls, puzzles and more.

### ARCHAEOLOGY



Let the children's imaginations roam free as they study and play with the materials in this excavation kit. They can sift through the earth to dig up the past to learn all about the earth and its elements. The kit contains "dinosaur bones," a fossil collection, flashlights, rake, shovel, sifters, worker's vest, even genuine pith hats - everything you need to start your first dig!

### ASTRONOMY



The budding astronomer will love this kit. It includes a solar system puzzle, books, games, experiments, teachers guide book, binoculars.

### BIRDS

Learn all about birds. Contains a bird identification book, a teacher's hand-book with activities, binoculars, a bird feeder and seeds, glider, and puppets.

## BOARD GAMES - SCHOOL AGE AND EARLY YEARS

The **SCHOOL AGE** Board Game Kit includes Theatrix Charades, Mancala, a large deck of cards, Geo Boards, Snowstorm Game and Lots O' Games - activities to make your own games

The **EARLY YEARS** games kit includes many games including Zingo, Sequence Game, Animal Lotto, Thomas the Tank Engine, Magnetic Snakes and Ladders, cards and more!

## CAMPING



Everything you'll need to start camping! Includes pop-up tent, sleeping bag, play BBQ, cooking utensils, bug hut, binoculars, lanterns, compass.

## CELEBRATIONS – FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS



There are many festivals around the world including Hannukkah, Diwali, and Kwanzaa. This kit includes resources for them all!

## CHINESE NEW YEAR



Celebrate the Chinese New Year! Includes bamboo steamers, bowls, costumes, ornaments, books, and laminated posters.

## DINOSAURS – 2 Kits to choose from – Early Years or School Age

The **SCHOOL AGE** kit is very popular. This kit is brimming with books, stencils, puzzles, plastic figures, posters, and games.

The **EARLY YEARS** kit includes felt dinos, puppets, borders, puzzle, books and more!

## ENDANGERED ANIMALS



A very popular kit containing puzzles, match game, puppets.

## ENVIRONMENT

Help the children be aware of the environment around them. Includes Earth Day poster, Environmental Vacation cassette, and lots of books to choose from.

## FAMILIES



Includes magnetic family tree, chore card, beanbag family, stencils, activity guide.

## FARM



Learn all about farming. Includes puzzles, farm animals counter, tractor, truck, books, magnetic storytelling kit and more.

## FINE MOTOR KIT - PUZZLES AND MORE

Includes puzzles, threading beads, latches board, shoe lace board, and baby puzzle.

## FUN WITH FELTS

Felts, felts, felts!!! Shapes and sizes galore. Counting, shapes, multicultural people, alphabet letters, farm animals, numbers, and more.

## GARDENING

For the "budding" gardener. Kit has a Spring Sowing Kit, gardening gloves, shovels, kneeling mats, trowels, and watering pots as well as wonderful green thumb books and activity flyers.

## GROWING UP HEALTHY

You're never too young to begin learning about healthy lifestyles and nutrition. Includes puzzles, activity sheets, plastic food, stencils, milk poster and video and books.

## HUMAN BODY

The Human Body kit introduces enquiring minds to the inner workings of the human body. The kit comes with foam models of the skin, eye, nose, ear, tongue in book form and cross section take-apart models of the brain, tooth and heart as well as a skeleton floor puzzle and a pop-up book on the human body.

## INFANTS

Baby's own kit! Contains Sensory Fish Playtoy, Soft cloth car with rattle, Soft cloth airplane squeakie toy, baby videos, Ring rattle, poem and lullaby cassette tapes, floor mirror with wheels, Learn & Play Pack (includes game cards, music tape, mirror, musical rattle), and soft books for infants.

## INSECTS



Discover the world of insects. Includes puppets, magnifying glasses, books, puzzles, microscope, Creepy Crawlies thematic poetry book, magnifying cylinder, video, bug discovery kits and a nature kit.

## LAB KIT



The children can put on a lab coat and start experimenting like they are in the CSI lab! Contains laboratory necessities such as test tubes, petrie dishes, microscopes, magnifying glasses, lab coats - even a water testing kit.

## LET'S GO SHOPPING



Take the children on a shopping outing. Includes shopping cart, play money, cash register and scanner, food items, shopping basket and books.

## MAGIC

Children (and adults) love magic. This kit includes 2 videos, games, kits, book and activities.

## MAGNETS

Contains different size magnets and magnetic shapes, experiment kit and activities, teacher's guide book.

## MANNERS

This is a very new addition to the kit list! It includes a "Mind Your Manners" game, placemats and utensils, manners lessons (Macaroni & Please!), books and more!

## MEDIEVAL

Take the children back in time! Dress up costumes, activities, figurines, teacher's guide, costume making, books.

## MULTICULTURAL (1)

Includes Hello World Globe (say "hello" in eight languages), floor puzzles, figurines, dolls, cookbook, art book and game book.

## MULTICULTURAL (2)

Help us build an awareness of all children and cultures. Includes books, activities, hats, clothes, puzzles, tapes, community block people, and a celebration book.

## MUSIC



Enough instruments to start your own band! Contains a 3-piece Big Band Set, tambourine, assorted bells, kazoo, maracas, xylophone on wheels, wooden frog instrument, sticks, and a great thunder tunnel as well as a cassette and family songs, and books.

## MY COUNTRY, MY PROVINCE

Celebrate Canada and Ontario. Includes laminated Canadian adventure poster and Ontario Parks poster, National Geographic software, a beautiful video entitled "Our Canada - An Aerial Adventure," Canadian flag and bag, wipe off map, and activity sheets.

## PETS AT THE VET



Keeping our pets healthy is very important. This kit contains a dog carrier, cat carrier, vet medical kit, pet brushes, pet dishes, books and lots more.

## PIRATES



The Pirates of the Caribbean movies are very popular. And so is the Umbrella Pirates curriculum kit! It includes dress up activities, books, map making, maps to follow, a pirate puppet, spy glass and telescopes, games and more.

## RESTAURANT

Everyone loves to go out to eat! This kit includes all you need to let the children run their own diner - coffee mugs and coffee maker, toaster, placemats, chef hat and apron, food items, serving tray - even the children's menus and order pads!

## SAFETY

An excellent kit for teaching Fire Safety. Contains an educational video, card game, activity boards and teacher's manual, Children's Safety Pack, as well as brochures and flyers and a book entitled "The Big Book of Safety for Young Children".

## SEASONS - four separate kits - one for each season



Spring - gardening tools, books, activities, sponge painters



Summer - sand tools, books, activities, puzzle, sponge painters

Fall - sponge painters, board game, puzzle, book, pumpkin beanbags

Winter - sponge painter, game, activities, snowman beanbag

## SIGN LANGUAGE

An excellent kit for teaching and learning Sign Language. Contains everything you need to have the most fun ever with signing including cards, activities, rubber stamps, puzzle, sign language alphabet, books and DVD. This kit is suitable for both preschoolers and school age.

## SPY

Includes Clue, Where in the World is Carmen Sandiego, magnifying glasses, maps.

## TRANSPORTATION

Includes activity guide, ocean explorer, miniatures, picture cards, hot air balloon beanbag and counters.

## UNDERWATER LIFE

A very popular kit. Includes books, giant floor puzzles, felt fish and underwater scene, games, plastic ocean collection, large underwater plant, water and sand play, puppets.

## WEATHER



A new addition to our kit list! Lots of exciting things to add to your weather curriculum! Includes a thunder tube, daily weather spinner, books, and activities.

## **COMMUNITY HELPERS**

### CONSTRUCTION

Includes construction helmets, gloves, Tonka truck, safety vest, goggles, puppets, puzzles and books.

### COMMUNITY

Includes puppets, felt pieces, career figurines, puzzles, community helper cards, and much more.

### MEDICAL

Includes pop-up medical tent, doctor and nurse dolls and puppets, doctor bags, x-rays, uniforms, stethoscope, eyepatch, thermometer, puzzles and books.

### FIREFIGHTER



Teach the children about firefighting with this kit. Contains helmets, uniform, puppets, puzzles, books and videos.

### POLICE

Includes police helmet, uniform, puppets, book, puzzle, doll's uniform.

### MOM IS AT WORK, DAD IS AT WORK

Includes mailperson uniform, puppets, hats, puzzles, and boo, hats, puzzles, and books.

# **COMING SOON!!!**

Christmas Around the World . Olympics

Every Umbrella curriculum kit is a “work in progress”. We are constantly adding to the kits and updating the material in them.

If you have any suggestions for kits or have anything you would like to contribute, call Umbrella at 416-686-9869.

***We also have over 100 children’s books! Come in and browse through them. We have many curriculum idea books as well.***