Items Needed To Complete Each Lesson

Every child will need his own notebook, blank paper, lined paper, and colored pencils.

Lesson 1

- Another person
- Two hair dryers or personal-sized electric fans
- Glitter or pepper
- A long casserole dish
- A clear plastic 2-liter bottle with a lid
- A small (the smaller the better) balloon
- A box (A large box is best, but even a shoebox will work.)
- Enough blue paper to line the inside and outside of the box
- Glue
- A large clear bowl or container (It could even be the bottom half of a plastic soda bottle.)
- ♦ A paper or Styrofoam[®] cup
- A nail or pen to puncture a hole in the cup
- Blue and yellow food coloring
- A spoon with which to stir
- Hot water and ice cold water

Lesson 2

- Two pieces of cardstock or poster paper (8½ x 11 works best)
- Tape
- Two cups
- A tablespoon
- Salt
- A freezer
- Someone to help you
- 2 paper (or Styrofoam) cups
- A sharp object that can make a tiny hole in the bottom of each cup (like the tip of a straightened paper clip)
- A sharpened pencil
- 30 feet of 100% cotton yarn (Synthetics tend to stretch too much.)

Lesson 3

- A big bowl of ice water
- A large container of Vaseline[®] or shortening
- Latex or dish gloves (You'll need four for every child doing the experiment.)
- A timer clock (like a stopwatch)
- Someone to help you

Lesson 4

- Chalk
- Tape measure
- A balloon
- A box
- A teaspoon
- Vanilla
- Two tadpoles (Check the course website to find where you can order them)
- Two covered tanks (or large glass bowls with covers) that are the same size
- A lamp with a 50 or 60-Watt bulb

Lesson 5

- Chalk
- Tape measure
- A sea shell
- ♦ A Cheerio[®] (or similar piece of breakfast cereal)
- Two glasses
- A container in which to mix water and dirt
- Water
- Dirt
- 3 small plastic disposable containers
- A cup of sand
- A cup of clay (Real clay is preferable, but modeling clay is okay.)
- A cup of soil from your yard (Collect your soil at least 12 inches below the surface.)
- A detailed shell of some sort (It should have ridges or other specific features. If you can't get a shell, you can use a toy that has detail in its shape.)
- A craft stick or plastic spoon for stirring
- 2 cups plaster of Paris
- A cup of water
- ◆ A disposable container for plaster
- A permanent marker

Lesson 6

• A fish in a small bowl or a glass (A goldfish is best, because it can handle large changes in water

- temperature. Do not use a tropical fish, as it will not be able to handle large temperature changes.)
- A lamp with a bendable neck that can face down into your fish bowl (The light bulb should be 100-Watt.)
- A large bowl of ice water into which you can place the fish bowl or glass
- A thermometer (It should read temperatures above and below room temperature.)

Lesson 7

- A ruler
- A large battery (see picture on the next page)
- 3 pieces of insulated electrical wire
- 2 metal nails (They must conduct electricity.)
- Electrical tape
- A glass of distilled water (You can buy this at any large supermarket. Make sure it is distilled water, not mineral water.)
- A small light bulb holder with a light bulb (These can be found in hobby stores. Look at the picture below to see what I mean.)
- Salt

Lesson 8

- Markers
- A blank file folder
- A set of index cards
- Dice
- Animal game pieces for each player (You can make these or use small plastic animals.)
- Sea monkeys or triops (See the course website for where they can be purchased.)

Lesson 9

- Several bottles of different sizes
- A least one shoebox
- Scissors
- Glue
- Some cardboard (You can cut up cereal boxes or other thin cardboard boxes.)
- Cotton batting or a sheet of foam

Lesson 10

- A small eyedropper
- 1 empty, clear water bottle or soda pop bottle with a lid

- A glass of water
- Optional: a google eye
- Optional: 1 chenille stick (pipe cleaner) or yarn
- Optional: double sided tape

Lesson 11

- 5 six-inch segments of cotton string
- 3 cups of water
- A lot of salt
- Food coloring (any color)
- Wide-mouthed glass jar (A glass measuring cup will do.)
- Pan for boiling water
- ♦ A wooden spoon for stirring

Lesson 12

- A glass baking dish
- Hot water
- ♦ A fruit popsicle (For best results, use one made from real fruit, like an Edy's frozen fruit bar.)

Lesson 13

- Jar
- A clipping from a vine or a rose
- Pond water
- Two water bottles
- Black paint
- 1 cup of water mixed with 1 tablespoon of salt
- Plastic tubing
- Clay
- A nice sunny window
- A stack of books