

Emuna Project

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Grade Level: Elementary, Middle School, High School

Description:

Strengthen your students' Emuna in Hashem by having them read about, and do a project on, Gadlus Haborei as seen in nature. For this project, students are given scientific articles which they must read and present to the class – emphasizing that the perfection in creation could have only come about by Hashem. Use this as part of an Emuna and Bitachon unit in Yahadus/Hashkafa class. Alternatively, this report can be assigned in a science class as a means of integrating Limudei Kodesh into Limudei Chol. Note: This item only includes the assignment sheet – not the actual articles.

What to download:

- Download the print-ready PDF file (includes lesson plan/instructions).
- OPTIONAL: Download the editable Word file (does not include lesson plan).

Goals/Objectives:

Students will read about, and do a project on, aspects of the Briyah to strengthen their Emuna B'Hashem.

Materials Needed:

- Research material
- Highlighter

Instructions:

1. Prepare research material for the students to use. Try to make it as varied as possible. Some suggestions are; the human body, animals, birds, plant life, the rain cycle, the solar system, ecosystems such as rainforests, deserts, etc.
2. Discuss the assignment with the class.
3. Divide the class into groups (if desired).
4. Have the class present their projects to the rest of the class.

Additional Tips:

Chinuch.org welcomes you to submit the research material that you provided your class in order to help other users who would like to use this piece with their classes.

אמונה Project

The רמב"ם states that one way of developing and strengthening our אמונה in the רבנו של עולם is through the study of nature. When we analyze any aspect of Hashem's creations, it becomes as clear as can be that the world was created by Him; who else could form such a perfect system where everyone and everything works in harmony?!

- * Read your information page(s).
- * Highlight whatever pieces strike you as being "WOW!".
- * Decide as a group how you can present this fascinating information to the class.
- * Your presentation must focus on the unique aspects of your topic and how it clearly proves that Hashem created the world.
- * All work can be completed in class. You will be given plenty of class time to work on your project.
- * It is not necessary to do more research.
- * We will conclude with an "אמונה Fair" where each group will demonstrate how their topic strengthens our אמונה .