

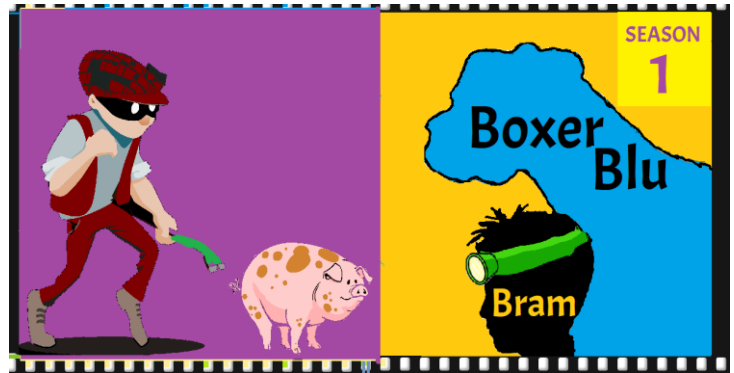
Little News Ears

Lesson Plan Suggestions

BoxerBlu & Bram – News for 4 Year-Olds

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Keywords: math, pigs, wild dogs



Item #1 – Title: ‘The Math Equation That Tried to Stump the Internet’

Author: Steven Strogatz

Source: The New York Times

Link: <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/08/02/science/math-equation-pedmas-bemdas-bedmas.html>

Activity – Math – Addition [How to Teach Children Addition](#)

Item #2 – Title: ‘Stealing Lauri’

Author: Andrew Jacobs

Source: The New York Times

Link: <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/08/04/science/stealing-lauri.html>

Activity – STEAM – Science – Microbiology – Alexander Fleming Experiment

1. Watch and discuss a video about [Alexander Fleming](#).
2. [Do the experiment](#) about sterile strategies.

Item #3 – ‘Wild Pups Romp Again in an African Paradise’

Author: Natalie Angier

Source: New York Times

Link: <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/08/03/science/african-dogs-pups-gorongosa.html>

Activity: STEAM – Science – Zoology: Learn about the African Wild Dog

1. Watch a video about the [African Wild Dog](#)
2. As a class, create a Venn diagram, comparing dogs with African wild dogs.
3. Pass out [a coloring page](#) of the African wild dog and ask the students to try to color accurately.

Item #4 – Title: ‘And Now, a Bicycle Built for None’

Author: Cade Metz

Source: New York Times

Link: <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/07/31/science/bikes-robot-autonomous.html>

Activity: STEAM – Engineering – [Easy Bicycle Craft for Kids](#)

Item #5 - Title: 'Carlos Cruz-Diez, Whose Art Made Color Move, Is Dead at 95'

Author: Karen Rosenberg

Source: New York Times

Link: <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/08/02/obituaries/carlos-cruz-diez-dead.html>

Activity: Art – Create Art Like Carlos Cruz-Diez

1. Look and discuss representative [artwork by Carlos Cruz-Diez](#)
2. Find [optical illusion artwork](#) that reminds the students of the work.
3. Using crayons, ask the students to color the pages in a similar way to Carlos Cruz-Diez