

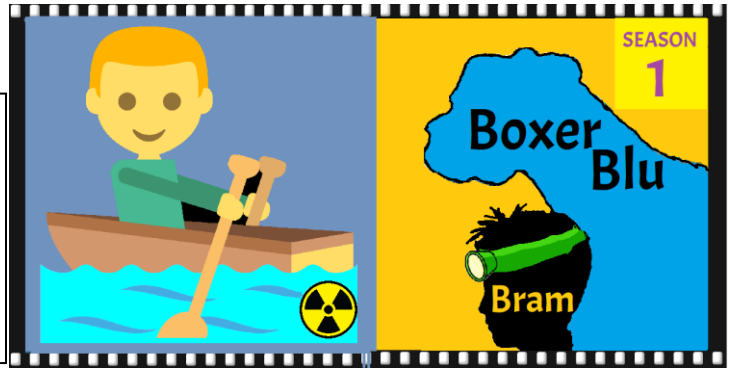
Little News Ears

Lesson Plan Suggestions

BoxerBlu & Bram – News for 4 Year-Olds

Season 1 – Episode 3 - July 11, 2019

Keywords: Instagram, danger



Item #1 – Title: 'It Looks Like a Lake Made for Instagram. It's a Dump for Chemical Waste.'

Author: Andrew E. Kramer

Source: The New York Times

Link: <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/07/10/world/europe/siberia-lake-instagram.html>

Activity – The Arts – Visual Arts - Persuasion - Have the students create posters that urge people to wear sunscreen, drink water, and stay out of the sun

Materials: crayons, marker, paper

Discussion: Discuss with the students what the dangers are of being in the sun too long. Brainstorm with the students precautions that people can take against the sun. After the students understand these dangers, tell them that *radiation* is like the sun. It is very dangerous.

Item #2 – Title: 'New Orleans Faces a Never -Before-Seen Problem with Tropical Storm Barry'

Authors: Dakin Andone, Paul P. Murphy and Brandon Miller

Source: CNN

Link: <https://www.cnn.com/2019/07/11/weather/new-orleans-flooding-trnd/index.html?no-st=1563307819>

Video: [Why Do Floods Happen?](#)

Activity: Brainstorm – What Could You Do to Prevent Floods? After brainstorming with the class, use the following list that has been edited from [Bucknell University](#).

1. Do not walk or drive across flood waters.
2. Stay away from flood waters.
3. Stay away from power lines and electrical wires.

Item #3 – Title: 'A mom whose 3-year-old son peed in a parking lot was facing 60 days in jail. Her charges were just dropped.'

Authors: Leah Asmelash and Brian Ries

Source: CNN

Link: <https://www.cnn.com/2019/07/11/us/mom-son-peeding-citation-trnd/index.html?no-st=1563392821>

Activity: Social Emotional Learning - Scared Ask the students if they think that it was fair for the police to 'arrest' the mom. Share a personal story that is a similar personal emergency and see if the students have stories to share. Brainstorm what the students should do if they feel scared. If there is time, read a story such as *Llama Llama Red Pajama*

Item #4– Title: ‘Courageous dog chases bear from New Jersey backyard in wild video

Author: Stephen Sorace

Source: Fox News

Link: <https://www.foxnews.com/science/dog-bear-new-jersey-backyard-wild-video>

Activity: STEAM – [Learn about the 8 Species of Bears](#)

[Color a page from the Be Bear Aware Coloring Book](#)