

# Little News Ears

## Lesson Plan Suggestions

**BoxerBlu & Bram – News for 4 Year-Olds**

**Season 1 – Episode 46** – January 24, 2020

**Keywords:** What eats alligators, Senators can't speak, Wuhan virus, emoglyphs



Item #1 – ‘At the Bottom of the Sea, They Wait to Feast on Alligators’

Author: Asher Elbein

Source: New York Times

Link: <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/01/17/science/alligators-carcasses-scavengers.html>

**Activities – STEAM – Science - Zoology** [Venn Diagram: Croc or Gator?](#)

Item #2 – Title: ‘No escape: Senators to be quiet, unplugged for Trump trial’

Author: Mary Clare Jalonick

Source: AP News

Link: <https://apnews.com/fa7035de6d69e1a95304e56987027093>

**Activities – Arts – Dramatic Arts** – [Mime Activities for Children](#)

Item #3 – Title: ‘Earth’s oldest asteroid impact ‘may have ended ice age’

Author: BBC

Source: BBC

Link: <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-australia-51201168>

**Activity – STEAM - Astronomy** [Comets and Meteors](#)

Item #4 - ‘An AI Epidemiologist Sent the First Warnings of the Wuhan Virus’

Author: Eric Niiler

Source: Wired

Link: <https://www.wired.com/story/ai-epidemiologist-wuhan-public-health-warnings/>

**Activity – STEAM – Healthy Living** – [Teaching Children about the Flu](#)

Item #5– ‘Emojis Meet Hieroglyphics: If King Tut Could Text’

Author: Isabel Kershner

Source: New York Times

Link: <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/01/22/arts/design/emojis-hieroglyphs-israel-museum.html>

**Activities – Social Studies – History** [Ancient Egyptian Hieroglyphics – Crack the Code](#)