

Lesson Plan Suggestions

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

Season 1 – Episode 76 – May 29, 2020

Keywords: rats, rainbows, decoys, chess, Nigeria, gut bacteria



Item #1 – Meet the ‘Psychobiome:’ the gut bacteria that may alter how you think, feel, and act

Author: Elizabeth Pennisi

Source: ScienceMag.org

Link: <https://www.sciencemag.org/news/2020/05/meet-psychobiome-gut-bacteria-may-alter-how-you-think-feel-and-act>

Activities – STEAM - Microbiology – [What Food Does Yeast Like Best?](#)

Item #2 – Title: “C.D.C. Warns of ‘Aggressive’ Rats Searching for Food During Shutdowns”

Source: NYT

Link: <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/05/24/us/cdc-coronavirus-rats.html>

Author: Mariel Padilla

Activities – STEAM – COVID-19 – [Coronavirus Lesson for Elementary Students](#)

Item #3 – Title: “Why Is This Chocolate Shimmering Like a Rainbow?”

Author: Devi Lockwood

Source: NYT

Link: <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/05/21/science/chocolate-iridescent-rainbow.html>

Activities – STEAM – Science - Physics – [Diffraction Lesson Plan](#)

Item #4 – ‘Mother Sea Turtles Might Be Sneakier Than They Look

Author: David Waldstein

Source: NYT

Link <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/05/19/science/sea-turtles-decoy-nests.html>

Activities – STEAM - Zoology [Tremendous Turtles](#)

Item #5 – Title: “From homeless refugee to chess prodigy, 9-year-old dreams of becoming youngest grandmaster”

Author: Aishwarya Kumar

Source: ESPN

Link: https://www.espn.com/espn/story/_/id/29195851/from-homeless-refugee-chess-prodigy-9-year-old-dreams-becoming-youngest-grandmaster

Activities – Other Resources - Games - [Meet the Rook – Chess Lesson One](#)