

Beachcombing Lesson Plan

Beachcombing is an activity that has long delighted seashore walkers of all ages. The symmetry, shapes and glossy surfaces of shells along with the accumulation of a huge variety of other plant, animal and manmade objects from wide-ranging and faraway places rarely fail to spark the imagination and an interest in the natural world.

While it is the great variety of shells and the remains of reef animals which generally excite the most interest, the wide variety and occasionally large size of seeds and fruits add great interest to a beachcombing session. Some are days or even hours old while others may have been travelling the world's oceans for years and come from shores well beyond Australia.

The Beachcombing lesson aims to increase student's skills of observation, demonstrate to students the interrelatedness of different environments and habitats and develop a greater understanding of and interest in natural history and the environment.

Total time may depend on time available, level of interest, camp focus and weather.

Following the recommended **Beachcombing Lesson Plan Procedure** will help achieve the aims described above while reading the **Beachcombing additional information** will give you plenty of information to satisfy student's newfound interest in natural history.