



Learning Tools

GALAXY 2102 - 1st-2nd Grade

Fixer Uppers Curriculum

This full school year, integrated interactive science curriculum for Grades 1 or 2 is supported by a 14-episode video series of 15-minute segments. In Fixer Uppers, children gain insights and are encouraged to ask “What-ifs?” These two little words can have a profound effect in the belief that an abundance of “What Ifs?” can lead to a lifetime of inquiry and science learning. Video characters invite students to share their ideas via the internet or fax.

Fixer Uppers features investigations inside Keisha and Lee’s apartment and in the surrounding neighborhood as they lead students to explore solids, liquids and “creature features.” The curriculum, by smoothly leading students into “What If?” situations, helps your students become young scientists to find out about the world. For instance, children are encouraged to ask, “What if we add more water?” and “What if we mix it longer?” as they prepare plaster or paint.

Delivery Mode	Platform	Software	Length
Video, Hands-on*, & Web	VHS & PC/Mac	Netscape & Internet Explorer	Full school year

*Also available in Spanish

Fixer Upper content meets national and state standards and is developed from the physical, life, earth and space sciences as well as from the processes of science, and includes:

- **Science as Inquiry:** Students develop questions and knowledge through observing, communicating, comparing and sorting. They state a problem, do research and present the results to others.
- **Physical Science:** Explore solids, liquids, mixtures, structures, magnetism and properties of materials.
- **Life Science:** Explore the needs, growth and habitats of living plants and animals.
- **Earth and Space Science:** Explore rocks, water and soil.
- **Science in Personal and Social Perspectives:** Real-world questions bring science directly into the students’ lives.
- **Science and Technology:** Students are connected to a national communications network via state-of-the-art technologies. Hands-on investigations require comparing natural and human-made materials.
- **History and Nature of Science:** Students learn science and technology as a human endeavor since they are the scientists doing authentic science inquiry.

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