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## LESSON PLANS FOR Exploratory Computer:

**Standard(s):**

1. Understand the basic skills necessary for life skills in a technological society

**Benchmarks:**

1. Use information efficiently and effectively
2. Evaluate information critically and competently
3. Use information accurately and creatively
4. Demonstrates independent learning through personal interest choices

**Relevancy/Connection:**

Computer and literacy skills are important for success in today's working environment.

**Week one—**

Introduce and justify research with eLibrary Science rather than “Google”

Practice selecting and reading articles of interest

Bibliographies—record information for some of articles

*Assessment*—turn in bibliographies and checked for accuracy—points given

**Week two—**

Practice main idea, reading and using graphic organizers, rewording statements, note taking, and good research skills using eLibrary Science

*Assessment*—print articles and turn in with student's note sheet/graphic organizer for article. Graded for points

**Week three—**

Use “Today in Science” feature in eLibrary Science, survey and select topic of interest, research and prepare simple presentation (main points with some graphics or artwork)

*Assessment*—presentation for class and notes turned in (Rubric)

**Week four—**

Use “Famous Scientists” feature of eLibrary Science, survey and select a scientist, prepare a mini-research project

*Assessment*—Turn in fact sheet of information about scientist with bibliography (Rubric)

Week five—

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