



GRADUATE COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR MOTHER GOOSE CARES ABOUT MATH, SCIENCE AND SOCIAL STUDIES

Your grade in this class will be based on:

1. Class attendance and participation (30%):

- a. Attend every class session (excused by doctor's note only);
- b. Participate fully in class discussions and activities; and
- c. Share experiences and problem-solve with peers.

2. Final Project (70%):

- a. Using one of the books from the bibliography at the end of the guides create a book introduction and science, social studies or math investigation/exploration relating to the book.
- b. Your book introduction should follow the format used in the guides and include the following:
- c. Write up your investigation/exploration following the format used in the guide and be sure to cover each area:

*Book synopsis, Vocabulary, Making connections, Introducing the book,
Reading and Talking Together*

*What this investigation/exploration is about
Preparation:*

What's Needed

Things to Consider

Things to think about

Key standards children practice

The Investigation/Exploration: Step by Step

Talk With Children

Observe Children

Extend Children's Learning

Connect With Families

(over)



Reading + Talking + Exploring = Learning Experiences
from the Vermont Center for the Book

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d. Have a book discussion and/or literacy activity and implement your investigation/exploration with a group of children and document:

How the group responded to the book

How the group responded to the discussion and/or literacy activity

How the investigation/exploration went with the group as a whole

Individual observations of two or more children

What you learned from teaching this investigation/exploration

What you might do differently next time

(If you are not presently working with children, choose one of the following: 1) Prepare a unit to be used in a future classroom setting; or 2) Read, reflect on and review a professional article of your choosing.)

The Final Project is due two weeks after the final session, though you may submit it at the final session. Send packets to your instructor at the Vermont Center for the Book.