

Lorado Taft Instructional Resources

River Ecology

Rubber boots
PFD's
Buckets and containers
Microscopes
Slides and slide covers
Seine nets
Screen
Dip nets and strainers
Field guides and keys
Chemical test kit
Globe ball
"Who Dirtied the Water?" activity
"Dragonfly Pond" activity

Birding

Binoculars
Field guides
Owl pellet display
Laminated posters and pictures
Bird call cassette and player
Hawk calls
"Bird Beak Adaptations" activity
"Bird Call Match-Up" activity
"Jays & Juncos" game (plastic cups and beans)
"It's a Bird's Life" board game
Specimens: birds killed by window strikes,
nests, feathers, eggs, skull, keels, rodent bones
found in an owl pellet

Ecology/Geology/Weather

Scent tracking materials
Animal tracking keys
Pelts and skulls
Species diversity activity
Animal pictures
Unnature trail
Scavenger hunt worksheets
Solo hike cards
"How Many Bears?" activity
"Keyhole Trail" activity
Clinometers
Protractors
Geometry compasses
Sling psychrometer
Thermometers
Tweezers
Eye droppers
Bug boxes
Hand lenses
Mirrors
Prisms
Soil sifters
Soil auger
Garden trowels
Soil test kits
"Topsoil Tour" activity
Rocks
Tree cookies
Mini plant press
Fresnel lens
Solar energy collectors
Solar spinner
Field guides

Pioneering

Mixing and serving bowls
Cooking utensils
Cast iron skillet
Dutch ovens
Cutting board
Glass jars
Popcorn poppers
Food: flour, sugar, corn meal, baking soda, baking powder, popcorn, honey, cinnamon, brown sugar, salt
Recipe cards
Candle making materials
Flint and steel kits
Slate boards and pencils
Wool carders and drop spindles
Rope making kit
Toys and games
Bags and pouches
Baskets
Artifacts: butter paddles, bed warmer, rug beater, bed key, pestle, iron, candle mold, candle holders, butter churn, spinning wheel, hog scraper
Timeline activity
Card game
Role playing activity
Adult sized clothing: Chemises, skirts, shirts, pockets, aprons, bonnets, cloaks, blanket capotes, drop-fly pants

Orienteering

Flags
Compasses
Poker chips
Large demonstrations compasses
Topographic maps
Topographic lines model
Course bearing cards and punch papers
Survival Compass Course
"100 Foot Rope" activity

Native Americans

Active and quiet games and toys
Stone tool artifacts
Ceremonial items: smudge pot, sage, sweetgrass braid
4 bowdrill kits
Cordage materials
Beaver pelt on stretcher
Drying rack
Bone garden hoe
Time line activity
Solo hike cards
Scavenger hunt
Role playing activity
Sauk & Mesquakie stories and legends

Survival

Survival kits: space blanket, granola bars, tin, striker, matches, etc.
Steel wool

Miscellaneous

Bags and packs
Chalk and dry-erase boards
Clipboards
Ice trays
Rulers, tape measures, and yard sticks
Pens and pencils
Grease pencils
Yogurt cups and lids
Plastic and paper baggies
Snow shoes

AV Supplies

LCD projector
Overhead projector
Slide projector
TV/VCR/DVD