



# CREATIVITY KIDS CAMP SAMPLE LESSON PLAN



## FIVE DAY LESSON PLAN: LIFE ON THE RANCH



### MONDAY

**ACTIVITY:** Explore the science behind how ranches work, including irrigation and animal habitats. Build a simple model of a ranch using blocks or LEGOs.

**ART:** Decorate “cowboy/girl” hats.

**ACTIVITY:** Create a ranch-themed mural or collage using various art supplies.

**ACTIVITY:** Play “Animal Charades” where kids act out different ranch animals and their movements.

### TUESDAY

**ACTIVITY:** Construct animal habitats using playdough or clay.

**BOOK:** Read a ranch-themed book such as “Cowboy Small” by Lois Lenski.

**ACTIVITY:** Learn about animal nutrition and create a “Balanced Diet” chart for different animals, match the animal to the proper diet.

**ACTIVITY:** Create a ranch-themed mural or collage using various art supplies.

**ACTIVITY:** Bring in someone who trains cattle dogs to show a demonstration

### WEDNESDAY

**ACTIVITY:** Explore how farm equipment works with interactive models.

**ACTIVITY:** Plant a garden in a garden box. Explain different tools used for gardening.

**ACTIVITY:** Learn about crop fields, planting and harvesting.

**ACTIVITY:** Create a farmers market play area

### THURSDAY

**ACTIVITY:** Learn about animal care. Bring grooming tools and demonstrate how to use them.

**ACTIVITY:** Bring in a rancher to demonstrate roping.

**ACTIVITY:** Learn about proper clothes to wear for ranching. bibs, straw hats, handkerchiefs, boots, gloves, etc.

**ACTIVITY:** Practice roping with a rope and a large, soft target.

**ACTIVITY:** Learn about the physics of rodeo events like barrel racing and roping. Build a mini barrel racing track using cardboard tubes.

**ACTIVITY:** Participate in a “Mini Rodeo” with pretend lassoing and barrel races using stick horses.

**ACTIVITY:** Share favorite memories and what was learned during the week.

### FRIDAY

**ACTIVITY:** Make and bake cornbread.

**ACTIVITY:** Make trail mix

**ACTIVITY:** Have an outdoor picnic lunch including burgers, potato salad, watermelon and lemonade. Decorate with red & white checkered tablecloths and wildflowers.

**ACTIVITY:** Discuss the week and talk about what was learned and favorite activities throughout the week.