

NANO 101

How to Introduce the Smallest Science

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GOALS

presenters will gain an understanding of NISE Net's key concepts

presenters will be prepared to facilitate personal connections between nano and diverse guests

PLANNING



Engaging the Public in Nano:

Key Concepts in Nanoscale Science, Engineering, and Technology



Nanoscale Science Informal Learning Experiences:

NISE Network Content Map



Developed by Marjorie Bequette, Rae Ostman, Kirsten Ellenbogen, Greta Zenner Petersen, Darrell Porcello, Troy Livingston, Marilyn Johnson, and Paul Martin for the NISE Network.

KEY CONCEPTS

nano is small
and different

nano is studying
and making
tiny things

nano is new
technologies

nano is part of
our society
and future

NANO IS SMALL AND DIFFERENT

Exploring Forces – Gravity (big cup, little cup)

Exploring Properties – Surface Area (Alka-Seltzer)

counting surfaces of blocks activity

similar to **Surface Area – Cart Demo**

Exploring Materials – Nano Gold

NANO IS STUDYING AND MAKING TINY THINGS

Exploring Materials – Thin Films (nail polish)

with iridescent insect extension

Exploring Products – Nano Fabrics

with kale leaf extension

Exploring Fabrication – Self Assembly (full body game)

NANO IS NEW TECHNOLOGIES

Exploring Products – Sunblock

with UV bead & UV light extension

free exploration of:

technology cards from **Nano Around the World**

<http://www.nanosupermarket.org/products>

<http://www.nanotechproject.org/cpi/browse/>

NANO IS PART OF OUR SOCIETY AND FUTURE

Exploring Nano & Society – Invisibility Cloak

Exploring Nano & Society – You Decide!

with supplemental cards from

Nano Around the World card game

IMPACT

How knowledgeable do you feel about...

nanoscale science and engineering?

how nanoscale things behave differently?

how nano relates to our daily lives?



QUESTIONS?

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