| Unit 1 Week 4 | <i>Large Group</i> Windows and Rectangular Shapes High Support | Math LG | Standards: MP: Participates in small group and whole group math activities. G: Recognizes and describes simple shapes |
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Guiding Math Idea(s):

• Enjoyment and participation in Math

Math Concepts From Unit 1 Learning Progressions:

- We use math every day: Connecting math concepts to environment
- Manipulating 3-D Shapes

Adaptations for Using Large Group in Alternate Schedule Slots:

• As children finish clean up at different times, remind them of the story about the *Hello Goodbye Window* and ask them to count the windows in the room. Write down the number and discuss during SWPL.

| Materials: | Math Vocabulary: |
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| The Hello, Goodbye Window by Juster & Raschka Large empty rectangle picture frame Rectangle-shaped Post-It Notes Unit Blocks from Block Center A cardboard box with 2 long and 2 short sides Large paper and marker | Rectangle- A shape with 2 long sides and 2 short sides. Rectangular prism- A block that is shaped like a rectangle |

Preparation:

This Math Large Group takes place AFTER the Read-Aloud *The Hello, Goodbye Window* Gather materials.

| Remember when we read The Hello Goodbye Window? The story had a special window. | Show book and turn to a page that shows the window with T-Rex looking through it- the best depiction of a rectangular shape. | |
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| The Hello-Goodbye window looks sort of like this frame I have right here. | Show the picture frame. | |
| What do you notice about this shape? | Children describe the picture frame. Some may | |

identify it as a "rectangle." Some may attend to the color or have other descriptions. Children point to windows. Some children respond rectangles. Some may say It is like a rectangle, because 2 sides are long and the windows look like the picture frame. 2 sides are short. Let's look around our room. Do vou see anv windows? What shape do these windows remind you of? Those windows look like my special frame here. Children may suggest hunting for windows. I wonder--how many rectangular-shaped Suggest hunt if children do not. windows do we have in our classroom? How could we find out? When we find one, we'll put a rectangle paper, this Sticky-Note, on it. Put Sticky-note on your picture frame. Let's go! Make teams of 2-3 children. Distribute stickynotes and have fun as the children go around the room and place sticky notes on windows. Children go around the room and put stickynotes on any windows they see. How can we find out how many rectangleshaped windows do we have? Children may return to the search and count the marked windows and report I'm writing the numbers on our chart. There might be other things in our room that *Record the number of windows children report.* look like rectangles- These blocks and this box Expect children to report different quantities. are called rectangular prisms. They are like a flat As time permits, extend the exploration as rectangle (show the Sticky-note), only "thicker". children find other items they identify as rectangles or rectangular shaped. *They remind me of the Hello-Goodbye window.* Can you find other rectangular-shaped things? Children return to the hunt. Wrap up the activity by adding any other items to the list.

Strategies to Provoke Math Thinking:

- Rectangles are flat- 2 D- Rectangular prisms have depth (3 D). Use accurate terminology. If the phrase *rectangular prism* seems awkward, describe blocks as rectangular-shaped, or say "this looks like a rectangle or this side looks like a rectangle".
- Stability of sets: Same windows- different answers- Groups of children will get different answers. This will not typically bother most children, as they have not yet mastered the concept of *stability of sets*. This activity is not about finding right answers. It is about using counting as a strategy to answer a problem *How Many Windows*? Support children's growing understanding of stability of sets through intentional activities. Model accuracy.

Provocation:

Use teachable moments to help children discover other 3-D shapes around them, such as spheres (balls) cubes (packages) and cylinders (electric poles and pipes)