## Ignite STEAM Lessons in the Summer with Hatch Early Learning

Enjoy this fun activity and foster continuous learning during the summer months. Designed to encourage curiosity and hands-on experimentation, these lessons are offered for families and caregivers to facilitate with children at home.



## **TRASH TIDY-UP**

Goal: To help your child understand the importance of caring for the environment

Materials: Child-sized gloves, trash bags

Overview: Understanding the natural world helps children develop skills for scientific thinking. A nature walk is the perfect place to help your child learn about nature and understand why it's important to care for the world around them.

Directions:

- 1. Find a safe place for your child to help clean up an outdoor space.
- Take your child on a walk outside to look for trash or other items to pick up. Help your child put gloves on to protect their hands and watch them closely to make sure they are safe.
- 3. While you are cleaning up, ask your child to think about how cleaning up trash helps the environment. You can explain that cleaning up trash helps keep our communities clean, helps us have clean water, and protects animals from eating trash.



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