

REFLECTION

NATURE JOURNAL/SCIENCE NOTEBOOK

Directions:

- a. Read all the questions below.
- b. Read your previous journal/notebook pages.
- c. Label the first available blank page with REFLECTION on the top line.
- d. Using your journal entries, think about the questions below.
- e. **Write** and **draw** your thoughts about **each** of the questions. Refer specifically to dates, pages, and content. For example, "On October 12, journal page 37-39, I drew and wrote about a gray squirrel in the leaves by the oak tree in my backyard."
- f. Respond to each question **thoughtfully** and in detail. Try to organize it into the story of your science learning. You will be reporting the results of this activity to the class/during student conferences.
- g. **Do not write your answers on this sheet.**

Questions:

1. What were the most interesting things I observed over the time period we have been keeping this set of notebook/journal entries? What made them interesting?
2. What is the most exceptional image of my journal?
What makes it unique?
3. What are the big ideas in science that I have learned from this set of entries?
What are some examples of those from my journal or notebook?
4. Look for references to things that are in the process of changing. Draw and describe the object(s) or event(s) and indicate how it is changing.
How does that relate to the big ideas we've studied?
5. Look for references to behavior and movement. Describe what, how, and why it is behaving that way.
6. What skills do I plan to improve upon over the next set of entries?
How will I accomplish that?
7. Which of my observations and comments would I most like to share with others?
Why?

