

World of Wonder

Educational Standards and Suggested Activities

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Standards

- *Current Events*: Students will write a newspaper-style restaurant review.
- *Science*: Students will observe a lobster molting.
- *Science*: Students will research why the value of lobsters has changed.

Activities

1. *Use the News*: Lobsters are a luxury food that many restaurants feature on their menus. What is your favorite restaurant? What is your favorite restaurant meal? Write a critical review of a restaurant in which you've dined. What is its name? What did you eat? Did you like the food? Was the place interesting? Would you recommend it to others?
2. A lobster is a crustacean, and its hard exoskeleton must be molted (shed) periodically as the lobster grows. Observe what this process looks like in this video: www.youtube.com/watch?v=931C5_gw1rA. Notice how the lobster seems to rest after molting. It must be hard work!
3. Why are lobsters considered a luxury food today when they were once used as fertilizer? What changed? Research and write a summary of your information.

World of Wonder meets many state educational standards. This guide helps teachers identify standards and related activities generally intended for Grade 6, but teachers can modify activities to the appropriate grade level.