

# PECANS

## Science Lesson Plan

**Suggested Grade Level:** K-3

**Objective:** Students will demonstrate the ability to classify a set of objects based on physical attributes.

**Materials Provided:** None

**Materials Needed:** Bags of unshelled mixed nuts (usually found in the produce section of the grocery store around Thanksgiving and Christmas)

**Activity:**

Allow students to handle the mixed nuts. Challenge students to classify the nuts into only two categories. Then tell or write reasons why each nut belongs in its assigned category. Challenge students to reassign the nuts into different categories based upon different attributes.

You may wish to allow students to handle nuts with plastic food service gloves on paper plates so that they can enjoy eating the nuts at the end of the lesson. Be sure to check for allergies.