

# Nuggets of Natural Philosophy

for Kindergarten - Eighth Grade Teachers

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1. Science (or Natural Philosophy) consists of demonstrable knowledge, not just options. It is truth based on facts.
2. Man has a connection to the natural world around him. It's not a passive relationship, but one where we have the responsibility to actively 'tend' it, not merely to dominate it.
3. At the basic science level, students should classify, examine, enjoy, and work with the common arts. This helps develop a grasp of an “objective and ordered reality.”
4. The Laws of Nature demonstrate God’s covenant with his creation and reflect His rightful control.
5. Scientific discussion is good, but opinions should not be given without supporting proof.
6. All elements of learning can be connected with Science.
7. Scientific narratives (stories) are excellent inspirations!
8. Never lose your sense of wonder and imagination.

