

## Objective

By the end of this lesson, Jordan will have a comprehensive understanding of landscape design principles, enhancing his reading, spelling, and critical thinking skills while applying them in practical scenarios. He will also learn basic life skills related to home economics and develop a foundational knowledge of American Sign Language (ASL) relevant to the subject.

## Materials and Prep

- Paper and pencils for sketching designs
- Books or articles related to landscape design
- Access to a garden or outdoor space for observation
- Basic gardening tools (if available)
- ASL resources (videos or guides) for learning key vocabulary
- Cooking ingredients for a simple recipe related to a garden theme

Before starting the lesson, ensure that Jordan has access to the outdoor space and the necessary materials for the activities planned. Review basic ASL signs related to gardening and landscape.

## Activities

### 1. Landscape Design Sketch

Jordan will create a landscape design for a small area in your home or garden. He can sketch the layout, choosing plants, pathways, and decorations. This will help him understand spatial arrangement and design principles.

### 2. Reading and Research

Jordan will read a chapter or article about famous landscape designers or different styles of landscaping. He will summarize the key points and discuss them with you, enhancing his reading comprehension and critical thinking skills.

### 3. ASL Vocabulary Practice

Jordan will learn and practice ASL signs related to gardening and nature. He can create a mini-presentation using these signs to share what he learned about landscape design.

### 4. Cooking with Garden Ingredients

Jordan will prepare a simple dish using ingredients that can be grown in a garden, like a salad. This activity ties in home economics and life skills, teaching him about nutrition and meal preparation.

### 5. Logic Puzzle: Garden Planning

Jordan will solve a logic puzzle where he has to plan a garden layout based on specific criteria (e.g., sunlight, space, plant compatibility). This will enhance his critical thinking and problem-solving abilities.

## Talking Points

- "Why do you think landscape design is important for our environment?"
- "What elements do you think make a landscape visually appealing?"

- "Can you name some famous landscape designers and what they are known for?"
- "How can ASL help us communicate about gardening with others?"
- "What are some benefits of growing your own food at home?"
- "What challenges might you face when designing a landscape?"
- "How do you think different cultures approach landscape design?"