Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to understand the concept of freezing objects in ice and explore the environmental science behind it.

Materials and Prep

- Small plastic toys
- Water
- Ice cube trays or small containers
- Freezer

No prior knowledge or preparation is required for this lesson.

Activities

- 1. Choose a few small plastic toys to freeze in ice.
- 2. Fill the ice cube trays or small containers with water.
- 3. Place one toy in each compartment of the ice cube tray or container.
- 4. Put the trays/containers in the freezer and let them freeze overnight.
- 5. Once the ice is completely frozen, take out the ice cubes with the toys inside.
- 6. Observe the frozen toys and discuss how the water turned into ice.
- 7. Discuss the concept of freezing and how temperature affects the state of matter.
- 8. Explore the idea of how freezing can preserve objects, just like how ice can keep things cold.
- 9. Encourage the student to touch and explore the frozen toys.

Preschool Grade Talking Points

- "Today, we are going to learn about freezing things in ice!"
- "We will use small plastic toys and freeze them in ice cubes."
- "Do you know what happens when we put water in the freezer? It turns into ice!"
- "When we freeze toys in ice, they get stuck inside the ice cubes."
- "Ice is very cold and hard. Can you feel it? It's like a rock made of water!"
- "Freezing things can help preserve them. It's like putting them in a cold box to keep them fresh."
- "Have you ever seen ice before? It's made when water gets really, really cold."
- "When it's cold, water changes from a liquid to a solid and becomes ice."
- "We can explore the frozen toys and see how they look and feel inside the ice."
- "Remember, freezing is when things get super cold and turn into ice!"