



SYNERGISTIC SYSTEMS

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PARENT BRIEFING

Module

Clothing Care

- Demonstrate the proper technique for ironing a shirt.
- Develop and demonstrate proper laundry techniques.
- Perform a water hardness test to determine an appropriate detergent for local water supplies.
- Complete a hands-on activity to learn how to sort laundry items by fabric content and color.

Session Focus

1 Water Hardness Test

2 Fabric Sorting

3 Laundry

4 Ironing

5 Spot Removal Test

6 Care Label Design

7 Attaching Fasteners

Dear Parent,

As parents and teachers, we realize it can be hard to get a child to discuss what he or she is learning in school. We hope the information provided on this page will assist you in communicating with your child about what he or she is learning.

For the next few days, your child will be learning about fabrics and garment care and studying detergent and water hardness while completing the Clothing Care module. As your child's best teacher, your participation in the learning process is extremely important.

Words students will learn in this module include:

- absorbent
- antistatic
- bleaching
- crease resistant
- care labeling rule
- detergent
- durable finish
- permanent press
- pressing
- yarn

Questions for discussion

During the course of this module, your child will be assessed on key concepts and activities. You might want to discuss these concepts with your child.

He or she will be asked to:

- Explain the difference between hard and soft water. (*Hardness of water is the concentration of minerals in it. Increased hardness of the water would require more detergent be used.*)
- Identify different ways or categories in which clothes can be sorted. (*By degrees of soil, weight, color, etc. as instructed on the care labels.*)
- Identify what information on a care label is about ironing. (*Have your child look at a care label and explain what temperature setting is necessary for ironing or if the garment should be dry cleaned.*)



Instructor: _____