Instructions for Teachers
Focus on Nature Online

After purchasing Focus on Nature Online for your class, follow these steps:

1. **Ensure each student has access to a device to take photos** (digital camera, camera phone, or tablet) **and edit their pictures** (computer/laptop)
   - Please see our "Equipment Needed" document for more information.
   - For more information on acquiring technology for your class, please see our "Community Camera Collection Tool Kit"

2. **Provide students with their usernames and passwords to sign into Focus on Nature Online.**
   - Refer to the registration spreadsheet used for registration.

3. **Create a Google Photos album and share it with your class (optional).**
   - Share this folder by entering your students' email addresses, or create a "shareable link" so those who have the link can access the folder and upload their photos.
   - We recommend using Google Photos, but feel free to use whichever method works best for you and your class to organize your students' photos.

4. **Have students read over the student instructions** (this is the first page students will visit when they log in)
   - Students are instructed to follow the same steps for each lesson:
     - Think about the "Minds On Question" at the start of the lesson
     - Watch the lesson video
     - Review the vocabulary
     - Complete the photo challenge (head outside and take photos of nature!)
     - Complete the check in
   - Encourage students to watch the "Camera Tips" and "Photo Editing Tips" videos before completing the photo challenges and editing their photos.

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6. **Assign lessons for your class to complete**
   - You can choose to have your students complete one lesson, challenge, and Check In each week, or combine lessons and assignments as you see fit.

7. **Have students upload their photos from each lesson's challenge to the shared Google Photos Album** (or platform of your choice).
   - Optional: have students look through their peers' photos and like/comment on their favourites.

8. **Once all 8 lessons have been completed, have students complete the cumulative project and/or extension activities.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to our team through our "Getting Help" portal in the teacher's lounge.

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