

Family Explore: ZOOM

Exploring perspective with children

Zoom In



Zoom Out



Fold Here

Helping Children Notice & Explore PERSPECTIVE

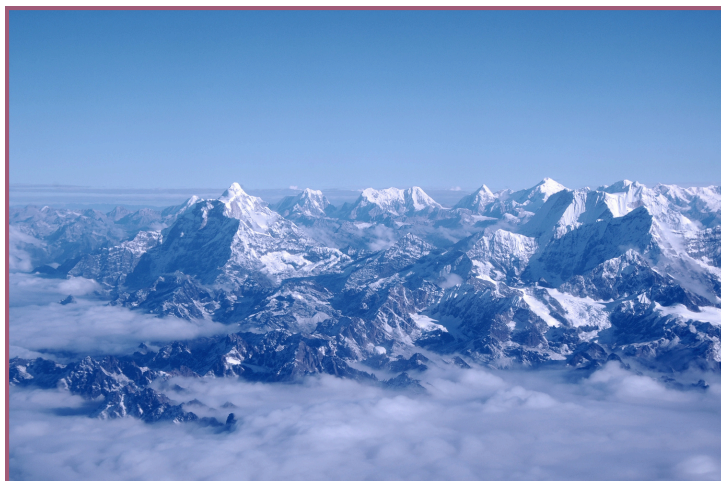
Fold this handout down the middle as indicated on the front of the sheet. Ask your children **what they notice** about the Zoom In pictures. What **details** do they see? What do they think the picture might be? What clues helped them make their guess? What do they notice about the crosswalk ramp? The dragonfly? Or, the seed pod as they Zoom Out on the flip side of the page?

When you share Zoom In or Zoom Out experiences with your child, when you talk with your child about the details they notice, you are helping them slow down and focus their attention. **Focusing Attention** is a habit of mind that helps children be successful in school. When children focus their attention, their brains are working to carefully process an experience. When focusing, children practice ignoring distractions and regulating their emotions. This helps children learn from others during instruction.

Children are also really good at Making Connections to other things when Zooming In or Zooming Out. Could they find earthworms or maybe feathers in the Zoom In photos? What other creative things will they see when they look closely at things around them? **Making Connections** means finding patterns, similarities, and differences. When children notice patterns as they are learning letters and numbers in school, the patterns will help them remember all of the new information.

- *An "M" looks like two mountains.*
- *A "9" looks a bit like a balloon on a string.*

What connections will you find as you zoom in and out with your child?



Zoom Out

What do you notice when you look in the distance? What shapes emerge in the hills? What colors do you see?

What might mountains feel like if you were to run your fingers along their tops?