Trimester Focus:

The sun warms the Earth

Big Ideas:

- The sun warms the Earth.
- It is usually warmer in the daytime than the nighttime.
- It is usually warmer in the summer than the winter.
- Weather is related to the four seasons.
- Severe weather can occur throughout the year.

Resources	GLCEs	Battle Creek Kit Activity	Vocabulary
Battle Creek Kit: "Weather Watchers"Trade Books:Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf Ehlert, L. (1991)The Seasons of 	 Earth Systems E.ES.01.22 Describe and compare weather related to the four seasons in terms of temperature, cloud cover, precipitation, and wind. E.ES.01.23 Identify severe weather characteristics/events. E.ES.01.24 Describe precautions that should be taken for human safety during severe weather conditions (thunder and lightning, strong winds, and heavy precipitations). E.ES.01.11 Identify the sun as the most important source of heat, which warms the land, air, and water on the Earth. E.ES.01.12 Demonstrate the importance of sunlight and warmth in plant growth. 	Kit Activity 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, & 16 11, 12, 13, & 14 11, 12, 13, & 14 11, 12, 13, 14 14, & 16 14, & 16	Severe weather Thunderstorm Lightning Tornadoes Blizzards Breezy Wind Windy Strong winds Safety Seasons Summer Fall Winter Spring Temperature Cool Warm Hot Cold Cloud cover Precipitation Rain Snow Sunny Precautions