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CESI Make-It, Take-It, Think-About-It Workshops

The Council for Elementary Science International (CESI) will be conducting its Make-It, Take-It, Think-About-It workshops during the NSTA National Convention in Boston, Massachusetts, on March 27 and 28, 1992, and is currently accepting reservations for presenter spaces at the workshops.

These workshops provide a wide variety of activities and ideas for teaching science in the elementary classroom. The setting is informal. Presenters station themselves around the room, and participants move freely from station to station, talking to presenters. Participants learn about the activities, construct instructional materials and discuss how they might implement the new ideas into their classrooms.

Presenters prepare guide sheets for conducting the activities. Each activity sheet is usually one or two typed pages in length and includes such topics as a discussion of concepts developed by the activity, a list of materials necessary to conduct the activity, a "stage-setting" section, directions for conducting the activity, expected results and explanations and extensions of the activity.

Presenters are encouraged to avoid the use of copyrighted materials unless permission for duplication is granted by the copyright holder and credit is given. Presenters must also provide materials for conducting their activities. Materials should be inexpensive since participants will take them back to their classrooms.

For more information, copies of sample activity sheets or to reserve a space at this year's workshops, contact Barry D. Lessow, Education 216B, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 47405.

Resources for Earth Science Teachers 1991

The American Geological Institute is offering educators a free listing of available materials titled "Resources for Earth Science Teachers 1991."

The listing includes catalogs, publication lists, teacher packets, books and journals from 43 sources, such as the National Science Teachers Association, the Soil and Water Conservation Society and the National Wildlife Federation.

Send requests on school stationery to the National Center for Earth Science Education, American Geological Institute, 4220 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22303-1507.

--J.M.H.