Unit 3: Evidence New

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Unit Overview:

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Enduring Understandings:

- Evidence is catagorized based on the type of evidence and how it is used in the case.

- Specific techniques are used to collect and preserve evidence

- The Locard Exchange Principle is a key concept in Forensics and explains the transfer of evidence from suspects, victims, and crime scenes.

Essential Questions:

- How can evidence fall into more than one category of evidence?

- How is evidence from a crime scene analyzed?

- What does the Locard Exchange Principle state?

Standards/Indicators/Student Learning Objectives (SLOs):

9-12.HS-LS3-1.1.1	Ask questions that arise from examining models or a theory to clarify relationships.
9-12.HS-LS4-5.2.1	students understand that empirical evidence is required to differentiate between cause and correlation and to make claims about specific causes and effects. They suggest cause and effect relationships to explain and predict behaviors in complex natural and designed systems. They also propose causal relationships by examining what is known about smaller scale mechanisms within the system. They recognize changes in systems may have various causes that may not have equal effects.
9-12.HS-LS1-3.3.1	Plan and conduct an investigation individually and collaboratively to produce data to serve as the basis for evidence, and in the design: decide on types, how much, and accuracy of data needed to produce reliable measurements and consider limitations on the precision of the data (e.g., number of trials, cost, risk, time), and refine the design accordingly.
9-12.HS-LS1-6.6	Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions
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	sources (including students' own investigations, models, theories, simulations, peer review) and the assumption that theories and laws that describe the natural world operate today as they did in the past and will continue to do so in the future.
9-12.HS-LS1-6.6.1	Construct and revise an explanation based on valid and reliable evidence obtained from a variety of sources (including students' own investigations, models, theories, simulations, peer review) and the assumption that theories and laws that describe the natural world operate today as they did in the past and will continue to do so in the future.
9-12.HS-LS2-6.7.1	Evaluate the claims, evidence, and reasoning behind currently accepted explanations or solutions to determine the merits of arguments.
9-12.HS-LS2-7.7.1	students understand much of science deals with constructing explanations of how things change and how they remain stable. They quantify and model changes in systems over very short or very long periods of time. They see some changes are irreversible, and negative feedback can stabilize a system, while positive feedback can destabilize it. They recognize systems can be designed for greater or lesser stability.
9-12.HS-PS1-3.1.1	students observe patterns in systems at different scales and cite patterns as empirical evidence for causality in supporting their explanations of phenomena. They recognize classifications or explanations used at one scale may not be useful or need revision using a different scale; thus requiring improved investigations and experiments. They use mathematical representations to identify certain patterns and analyze patterns of performance in order to reengineer and improve a designed system.
9-12.HS-PS1-2.1.1	students observe patterns in systems at different scales and cite patterns as empirical evidence for causality in supporting their explanations of phenomena. They recognize classifications or explanations used at one scale may not be useful or need revision using a different scale; thus requiring improved investigations and experiments. They use mathematical representations to identify certain patterns and analyze patterns of performance in order to reengineer and improve a designed system.
9-12.HS-PS1-4.2.1	Develop a model based on evidence to illustrate the relationships between systems or between components of a system.
9-12.HS-PS3-1.5.1	Create a computational model or simulation of a phenomenon, designed device, process, or system.
9-12.HS-PS2-3.ETS1.C.1	Criteria may need to be broken down into simpler ones that can be approached systematically, and decisions about the priority of certain criteria over others (trade-offs) may be needed.

Student Learning Objectives (SLOs):

- / To learn techniques for gathering and preserving evidence
- / To identify evidence and classify it by specific characteristics
- / To reinforce material covered in class by using real life crime cases

Lesson Titles:

- Classification of Evidence
- Collecting/Preserving Evidence Lab
- Forensic Files Episode

Career Readiness, Life Literacies & Key Skills

WRK.K-12.P.1	Act as a responsible and contributing community members and employee.
WRK.K-12.P.4	Demonstrate creativity and innovation.
WRK.K-12.P.5	Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
WRK.K-12.P.8	Use technology to enhance productivity increase collaboration and communicate effectively.
WRK.K-12.P.9	Work productively in teams while using cultural/global competence.

Inter-Disciplinary Connections:

MA.K-12.1	Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
MA.K-12.2	Reason abstractly and quantitatively.
LA.K-12.NJSLSA.R1	Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences and relevant connections from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
LA.K-12.NJSLSA.R2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
MA.K-12.3	Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.
LA.RH.11-12.3	Evaluate various perspectives for actions or events; determine which explanation best accords with textual evidence, acknowledging where the text leaves matters uncertain.
LA.K-12.NJSLSA.R4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
MA.K-12.6	Attend to precision.
LA.RH.11-12.7	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, qualitatively, as well as in words) in order to address a question or solve a problem.
LA.K-12.NJSLSA.R8	Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, including the validity of the reasoning as well as the relevance and sufficiency of the evidence.
LA.RST.11-12.1	Accurately cite strong and thorough evidence from the text to support analysis of science and technical texts, attending to precise details for explanations or descriptions.
LA.RST.11-12.8	Evaluate the hypotheses, data, analysis, and conclusions in a science or technical text, verifying the data when possible and corroborating or challenging conclusions with other sources of information.
LA.RST.11-12.9	Synthesize information from a range of sources (e.g., texts, experiments, simulations) into a coherent understanding of a process, phenomenon, or concept, resolving conflicting information when possible.
LA.RST.11-12.10	By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend science/technical texts in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.
LA.WHST.11-12.1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.
LA.WHST.11-12.1.A	Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically sequences the claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
LA.WHST.11-12.4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

LA.K-12.NJSLSA.L1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
LA.K-12.NJSLSA.L2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
LA.WHST.11-12.9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.
LA.K-12.NJSLSA.L6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression.

Instructional Strategies, Learning Activities, and Levels of Blooms/DOK:

- Collecting/Preserving Evidence Lab
- Forensic Files Episode with Worksheet
- Level of Blooms - Applying
- Levels of Blooms - Analyzing
- Notes/Class Discussion on Collecting & Preserving Evidence
- Notes/Class Discussion on Evidence
- Serial Killer related to the Topic being Covered
- Tutoring During Delsea One/Academic Enrichment
- You Make the Call Evidence Lab (Class vs. Individual Evidence)

Modifications

- Tutoring During Delsea One/Academic Enrichment

Alternative assessments:

Performance tasks
Project-based assignments
Problem-based assignments
Presentations
Reflective pieces
Concept maps
Case-based scenarios
Portfolios

Benchmark Assessments:

Skills-based assessment
Reading response

Writing prompt
Lab practical

Formative Assessment:

- Anticipatory Set
- Closure
- Warm-Up

Summative Assessment:

- Alternate Assessment
- Benchmark
- Lab on Evidence and Classification of Evidence
- Marking Period Assessment
- Mock Crime Cases
- Unit Quiz on Evidence
- Unit Test on Evidence

Resources & Materials:

- CSI Episode
- Clean Suit
- FACES Software Program
- Forensic Files Episode DVD
- Materials for Collecting/Preserving Edivence Lab