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Unit Overview

Students will consider what makes the environment so valuable by:

Reading - Three selections, "A Natural Balance", "Siberian Survivors", and "Mireya Mayor: Explorer/Correspondent" and Respond and Build Reading Skills and Fluency.

Writing - Narrative Poem, Business Letter, Friendly Letter.

Language - Speaking and Listening - Describe Animalls and Things and Use Adjectives That Describe.

Enduring Understanding

Students will be able to independently use their learning to:

- Communicate correctly using basic grammar points and vocabulary relating to the unit - descibe, make comparisons, elaborate.

- Analyze, critique and respond to a variety of genres including Environmental Report, Science Feature, Online Article.

- Express their thoughts and ideas in written form.

- Express their thoughts and ideas verbally in order to communicate effectively.

Essential Questions

What makes the environment so valuable?

How do humans affect the environmrnt?

What efforts do we need to make to protect our environment?

What's the role of an explorer?

Exit Skills

By the end of Advanced ESL, Unit 5, the student should be able to:

- Use selected Vocabulary in various forms of Communication (Context Clues: Multiple-Meaning Words, Jargon).

- Use relevant Language and Grammar in various forms of Communication (Adjectives and Adverbs, Comparative Adjectives, Describe, Make Comparisons, Elaborate).

- Apply their knowledge of Text Features to read Environmental Report, Science Feature and Online Article.

- Apply their knowledge of Writing to Narrative Poem, Business Letter and Friendly Letter.

New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS-S)

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	distinguishes his or her position from that of others.
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LA.W.7.2.A	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using text structures (e.g., definition, classification, comparison/contrast, cause/effect, etc.) and text features (e.g., headings, graphics, and multimedia).
LA.W.7.2.B	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
LA.W.7.2.C	Use appropriate transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
LA.W.7.2.D	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
LA.W.7.2.E	Establish and maintain a formal style academic style, approach, and form.
LA.W.7.4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, voice and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)
LA.W.7.5	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.
LA.W.7.10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, metacognition/self correction, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
LA.SL.7.1.A	Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.
LA.SL.7.1.B	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
LA.SL.7.1.C	Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.
LA.SL.7.1.D	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.
LA.SL.7.2	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.
LA.L.7.1.A	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.
LA.L.7.1.B	Choose among simple, compound, complex, and compound-complex sentences to signal differing relationships among ideas.
LA.L.7.1.C	Place phrases and clauses within a sentence, recognizing and correcting misplaced and dangling modifiers.

LA.L.7.2.A	Use a comma to separate coordinate adjectives (e.g., It was a fascinating, enjoyable movie but not He wore an old[,] green shirt).
LA.L.7.2.B	Spell correctly.
LA.L.7.3.A	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.
LA.L.7.4.A	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
LA.L.7.4.B	Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word (e.g., belligerent, bellicose, rebel).
LA.L.7.4.C	Consult reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning or its part of speech.
LA.L.7.4.D	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
LA.L.7.5.A	Interpret figures of speech (e.g., literary, biblical, and mythological allusions) in context.
LA.L.7.5.B	Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., synonym/antonym, analogy) to better understand each of the words.
LA.L.7.5.C	Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., refined, respectful, polite, diplomatic, condescending).

Interdisciplinary Connections

6-8.MS-ESS3-3	Apply scientific principles to design a method for monitoring and minimizing a human impact on the environment.
6-8.MS-ESS3-2	Analyze and interpret data on natural hazards to forecast future catastrophic events and inform the development of technologies to mitigate their effects.
6-8.MS-ESS3-1.ESS3.A.1	Humans depend on Earth's land, ocean, atmosphere, and biosphere for many different resources. Minerals, fresh water, and biosphere resources are limited, and many are not renewable or replaceable over human lifetimes. These resources are distributed unevenly around the planet as a result of past geologic processes.
6-8.MS-ESS3-3.ESS3.C.1	Human activities have significantly altered the biosphere, sometimes damaging or destroying natural habitats and causing the extinction of other species. But changes to Earth's environments can have different impacts (negative and positive) for different living things.
6-8.MS-ESS3-5.ESS3.D.1	Human activities, such as the release of greenhouse gases from burning fossil fuels, are major factors in the current rise in Earth's mean surface temperature (global warming). Reducing the level of climate change and reducing human vulnerability to whatever climate changes do occur depend on the understanding of climate science, engineering capabilities, and other kinds of knowledge, such as understanding of human behavior and on applying that knowledge wisely in decisions and activities.

Learning Objectives

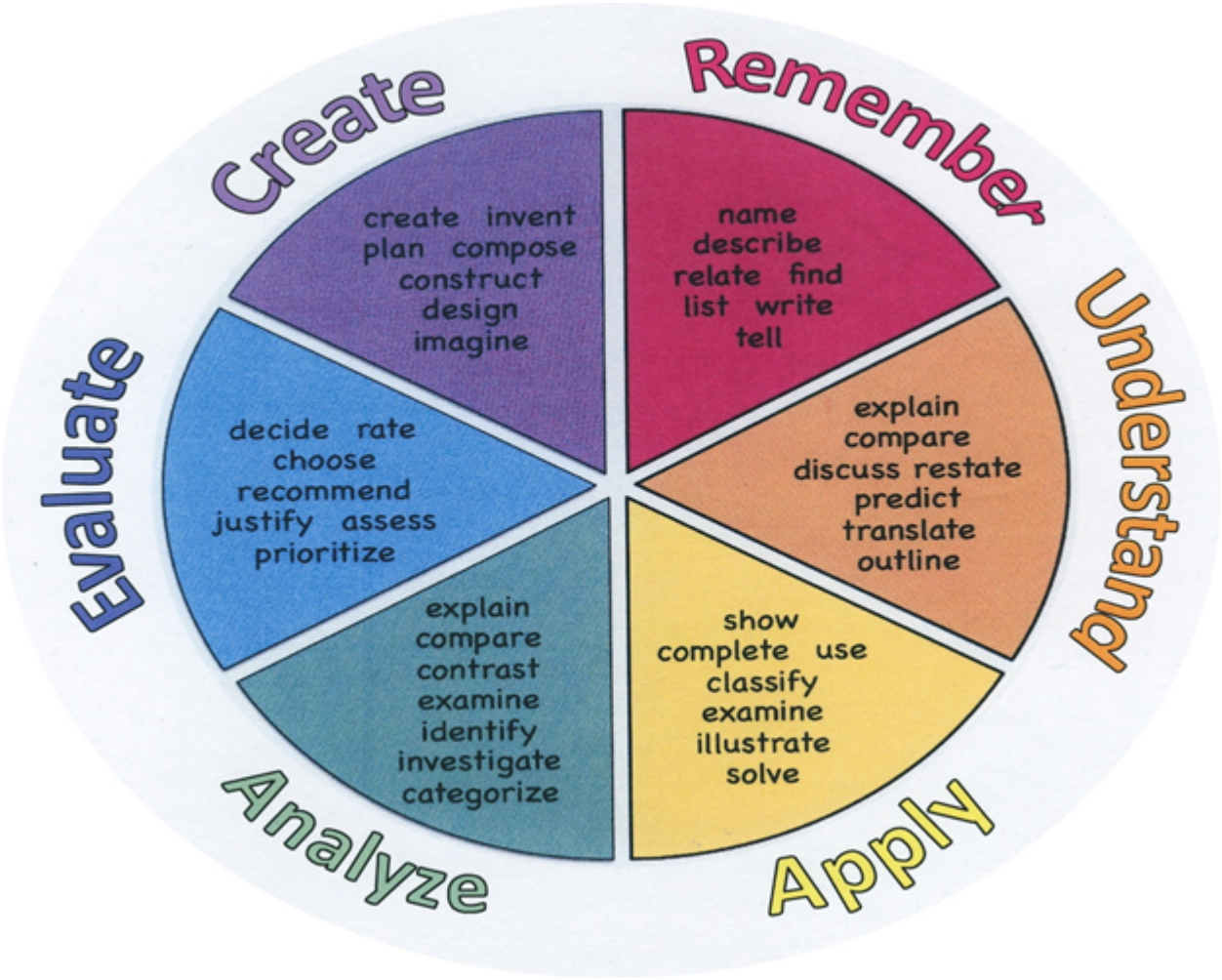
Analyze and Evaluate Key Ideas and Details, Structure, Integrate Knowledge and Ideas when Reading.

Analyze and Evaluate Text Types and Purpose when Writing.

Create and Produce Writing and Research to Build and Present Knowledge.

Comprehend and Collaborate when Speaking and Listening.

Remember, Understand, Apply, Analyze, Evaluate and Create conventions of Standard English and knowledge of Language and Vocabulary Acquisition and Use.



Suggested Activities & Best Practices

Multi-Level Strategy Frames for Language Support,Description Support, Comparison Support, Ellaboration

Support and Reading Support

Ellaboration Roundtable

Daily Grammar Lessons

Academic Language Frames

Vocabulary Routines

Reading Fluency - Fluency Routines

Content Area Connections

Language Development

Critical Viewing: theme, interpret photos, make connections

Pairs/Groups answer "Look Into the Text" questions in GoogleClassroom and teacher projects corrections on Smartboard.

Assessment Evidence - Checking for Understanding (CFU)

Benchmark 4 Test (summative assessment)

Selection 1 Test (summative assessment)

Selection 2 Test (summative assessment)

Selection 3 Test (summative assessment)

Unit 5 Test (summative assessment)

Creating original pieces of writing modeling after the anchor texts (formative/summative assessment - as needed)

Ellaboration Roundtable (formative assessment)

Daily grammar practice (formative assessment)

Creating visuals for new vocabulary (formative assessment)

Take home exams (alternative assessment)

Interview with the character - write the script, practice, present or record (alternative assessment)

- Admit Tickets
- Anticipation Guide
- Common Benchmarks
- Compare & Contrast
- Create a Multimedia Poster
- DBQ's
- Define
- Describe
- Evaluate
- Evaluation rubrics
- Exit Tickets
- Explaining
- Fist- to-Five or Thumb-Ometer
- Illustration
- Journals
- KWL Chart
- Learning Center Activities
- Multimedia Reports
- Newspaper Headline
- Outline
- Question Stems
- Quickwrite
- Quizzes
- Red Light, Green Light
- Self- assessments
- Socratic Seminar
- Study Guide
- Surveys
- Teacher Observation Checklist
- Think, Pair, Share
- Think, Write, Pair, Share
- Top 10 List
- Unit review/Test prep

- Unit tests
- Web-Based Assessments
- Written Reports

Primary Resources & Materials

Inside Reading & Language - Level C, National Geographic Learning/Cencage Learning

Inside Writing-Level C, National Geographic Learning/Cencage Learning

Inside Practice Book, Level C, National Geographic Learning/Cencage Learning

Inside Writer's Workout - Level C, National Geographic Learning/Cencage Learning

Smartboard, Smart Notebook

Youtube.com

Ancillary Resources

Technology Infusion

Student Laptops

Google Classsroom

myNGconnect.com - NatGeo website

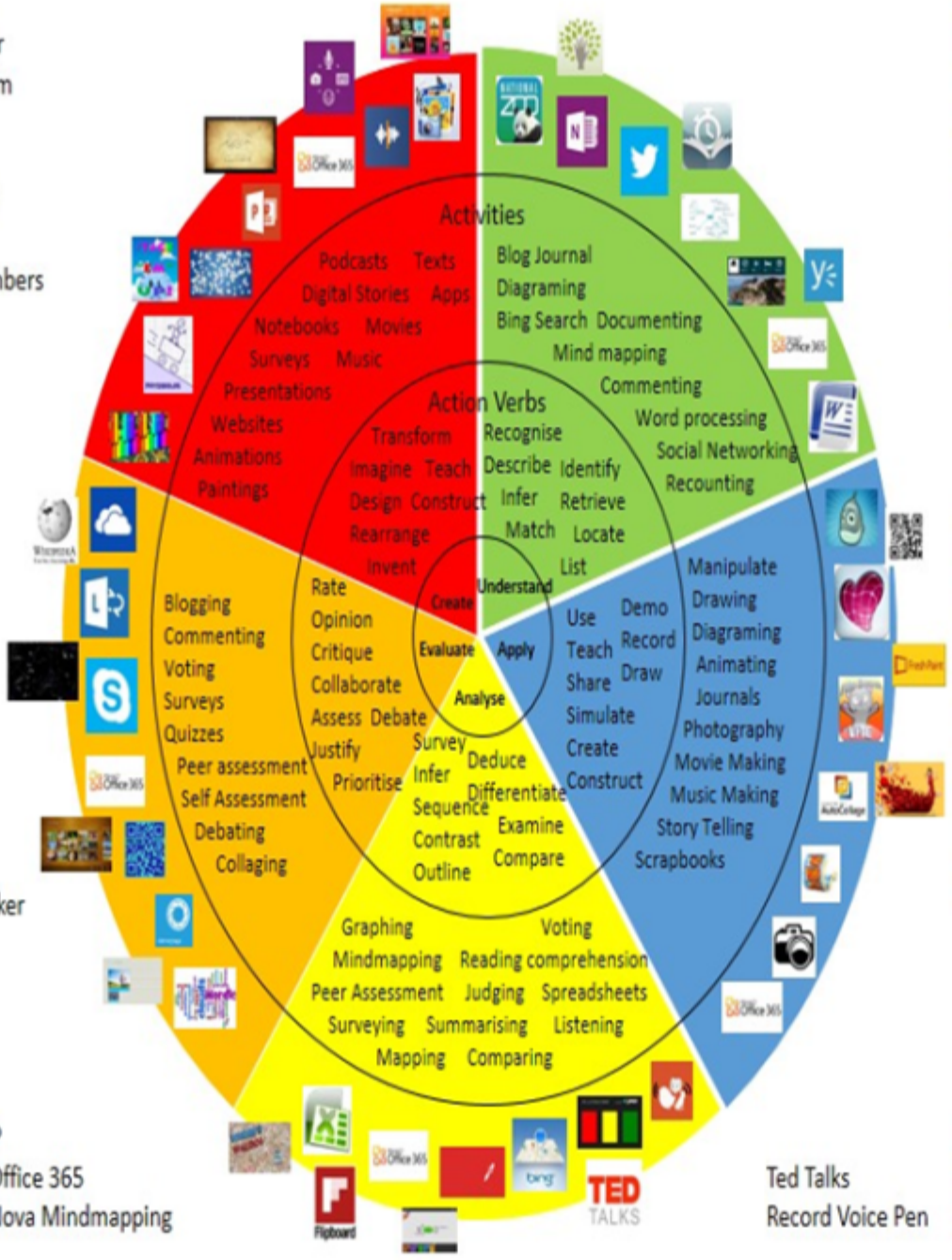
Smartboard

Internet

Win 8.1 Apps/Tools Pedagogy Wheel

Podcasts
Photostory 3
Kid Story Builder
Music Maker Jam
Paint A Story
Office 365
MS PowerPoint
Stack 'Em Up
NqSquared Numbers
Physamajig
Xylophone 8

Wikipedia
Skydrive
Lync
SkyMap
Skype
Office 365
Puzzle Touch
Easy QR
Memorylage
Life Moments
Word Cloud Maker



Where's Waldo?
MS Excel Office 365
Flipboard Nova Mindmapping

Ted Talks
Record Voice Pen

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Alignment to 21st Century Skills & Technology

CRP.K-12.CRP1.1	Career-ready individuals understand the obligations and responsibilities of being a member of a community, and they demonstrate this understanding every day through their interactions with others. They are conscientious of the impacts of their decisions on others and the environment around them. They think about the near-term and long-term consequences of their actions and seek to act in ways that contribute to the betterment of their teams, families, community and workplace. They are reliable and consistent in going beyond the minimum expectation and in participating in activities that serve the greater good.
CRP.K-12.CRP2.1	Career-ready individuals readily access and use the knowledge and skills acquired through experience and education to be more productive. They make connections between abstract concepts with real-world applications, and they make correct insights about when it is appropriate to apply the use of an academic skill in a workplace situation.
CAEP.9.2.8.B.3	Evaluate communication, collaboration, and leadership skills that can be developed through school, home, work, and extracurricular activities for use in a career.
CAEP.9.2.8.B.4	Evaluate how traditional and nontraditional careers have evolved regionally, nationally, and globally.
TECH.8.1.8.A.2	Create a document (e.g., newsletter, reports, personalized learning plan, business letters or flyers) using one or more digital applications to be critiqued by professionals for usability.
TECH.8.1.8.A.CS1	Understand and use technology systems.
TECH.8.1.8.A.CS2	Select and use applications effectively and productively.

21st Century Skills/Interdisciplinary Themes

- Communication and Collaboration
- Creativity and Innovation
- Critical thinking and Problem Solving
- ICT (Information, Communications and Technology) Literacy
- Information Literacy
- Life and Career Skills
- Media Literacy

21st Century Skills

- Civic Literacy
- Environmental Literacy
- Financial, Economic, Business and Entrepreneurial Literacy
- Global Awareness
- Health Literacy

Differentiation

Audio & Visual presentation of all text/unit selections projected on Smartboard.

Extended Reading -Leveled Library & Content Library - myNGconnect.com

myNGconnect.com - Vocabulary Rating Scale, Vocabulary Log, Reading Strategies Log

Differentiations:

- Small group instruction
- Small group assignments
- Extra time to complete assignments
- Pairing oral instruction with visuals
- Repeat directions
- Use manipulatives
- Center-based instruction
- Token economy
- Study guides
- Teacher reads assessments allowed
- Scheduled breaks
- Rephrase written directions
- Multisensory approaches
- Additional time
- Preview vocabulary
- Preview content & concepts
- Story guides
- Behavior management plan
- Highlight text
- Student(s) work with assigned partner
- Visual presentation
- Assistive technology
- Auditory presentations
- Large print edition
- Dictation to scribe
- Small group setting

Hi-Prep Differentiations:

- Alternative formative and summative assessments
- Choice boards
- Games and tournaments

- Group investigations
- Guided Reading
- Independent research and projects
- Interest groups
- Learning contracts
- Leveled rubrics
- Literature circles
- Multiple intelligence options
- Multiple texts
- Personal agendas
- Project-based learning
- Problem-based learning
- Stations/centers
- Think-Tac-Toes
- Tiered activities/assignments
- Tiered products
- Varying organizers for instructions

Lo-Prep Differentiations

- Choice of books or activities
- Cubing activities
- Exploration by interest
- Flexible grouping
- Goal setting with students
- Jigsaw
- Mini workshops to re-teach or extend skills
- Open-ended activities
- Think-Pair-Share
- Reading buddies
- Varied journal prompts
- Varied supplemental materials

Special Education Learning (IEP's & 504's)

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- printed copy of board work/notes provided
- additional time for skill mastery
- assistive technology

- behavior management plan
- Center-Based Instruction
- check work frequently for understanding
- computer or electronic device utilizes
- extended time on tests/ quizzes
- have student repeat directions to check for understanding
- highlighted text visual presentation
- modified assignment format
- modified test content
- modified test format
- modified test length
- multi-sensory presentation
- multiple test sessions
- preferential seating
- preview of content, concepts, and vocabulary
- Provide modifications as dictated in the student's IEP/504 plan
- reduced/shortened reading assignments
- Reduced/shortened written assignments
- secure attention before giving instruction/directions
- shortened assignments
- student working with an assigned partner
- teacher initiated weekly assignment sheet
- Use open book, study guides, test prototypes

English Language Learning (ELL)

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- teaching key aspects of a topic. Eliminate nonessential information
- using videos, illustrations, pictures, and drawings to explain or clarif
- allowing products (projects, timelines, demonstrations, models, drawings, dioramas, poster boards, charts, graphs, slide shows, videos, etc.) to demonstrate student's learning;
- allowing students to correct errors (looking for understanding)
- allowing the use of note cards or open-book during testing

- decreasing the amount of workpresented or required
- having peers take notes or providing a copy of the teacher's notes
- modifying tests to reflect selected objectives
- providing study guides
- reducing or omitting lengthy outside reading assignments
- reducing the number of answer choices on a multiple choice test
- tutoring by peers
- using computer word processing spell check and grammar check features
- using true/false, matching, or fill in the blank tests in lieu of essay tests

At Risk

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- allowing the use of note cards or open-book during testing
- collaborating (general education teacher and specialist) to modify vocabulary, omit or modify items to reflect objectives for the student, eliminate sections of the test, and determine how the grade will be determined prior to giving the test.
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- marking students' correct and acceptable work, not the mistakes
- modifying tests to reflect selected objectives
- providing study guides
- reducing or omitting lengthy outside reading assignments
- reducing the number of answer choices on a multiple choice test
- tutoring by peers
- using authentic assessments with real-life problem-solving
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Talented and Gifted Learning (T&G)

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- Above grade level placement option for qualified students
- Advanced problem-solving
- Allow students to work at a faster pace
- Cluster grouping
- Complete activities aligned with above grade level text using Benchmark results
- Create a blog or social media page about their unit
- Create a plan to solve an issue presented in the class or in a text
- Debate issues with research to support arguments
- Flexible skill grouping within a class or across grade level for rigor
- Higher order, critical & creative thinking skills, and discovery
- Multi-disciplinary unit and/or project
- Teacher-selected instructional strategies that are focused to provide challenge, engagement, and growth opportunities
- Utilize exploratory connections to higher-grade concepts
- Utilize project-based learning for greater depth of knowledge

Sample Lesson

Unit Name: Our Precious World-Unit 5/ Siberian Survivor

CCSS/NJCCCS: see links below
Interdisciplinary Connection:
Science, Social Studies

Statement of Objective:
SWBAT summarize, describe and explain, make judgments, and make comparisons

Anticipatory Set/Do Now:
Intorduce genre- Fact Sheet, p.354

Learning Activity:
1)As a class, read aloud the introductory statement, labels and captions, and bullet points, p.354
2)Review Key Vocabulary

3) In pairs, complete Selection Review, p. 153 ,Practice Book, and volunteers write answers on Smartboard.

4) In groups complete Critical Thinking and Vocabulary Review exercises p.355
5)In pairs, complete Vocabulary Study and Academic Vocabulary, pp.154-155 in Practice Book. Teacher edit

6) Discuss- How can people everywhere help protect wildlife?
7)Write the answer in the RACER format using examples from the text after rereading/listening to the selection.

8)Teacher edit and student rewrite

Student Assessment/CFU's:

Oral questioning, hand signal, student conference, observation,

Materials: INSIDEC, RACER graphic, MyNGConnect.com, smartboard, writing implements and notebook

21st Century Themes and Skills:
Communication and Collaboration
Civic Literacy

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Small group instruction, peer discussion, modify & adjust work, notes on board, teacher edit, extended time

Integration of Technology:
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