

Unit 6: Joining Forces

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Unit Overview

Within Unit Six, students will read about concepts such as joining forces, getting along, adaptations, making a difference and out in the world. Students will explore how we are all connected on this earth and what we need to do to create meaningful change and to keep our planet healthy and safe.

Exit Skills

By the end of this unit, 5th grade ELA Students should be able to:

- Ask and answer questions about a text
- Demonstrate understanding of text structure
- Demonstrate knowledge of taught skills and strategies of the unit
- Expand on knowledge of vocabulary
- Use key details to find the main idea
- Describe how the author supports opinions in the text
- Write sentences about the topic/text that has been read.
- Use notes, chart, and discussion ideas to write a paragraph that compares people and inventions
- Write using compound predicates

Enduring Understanding

1. When something major happens, people from all over the world contribute to the cause. Change will need to

happen in order to facilitate aid.

2. It's a big crowded world out there, and we must work to figure out ways to live together. Part of getting along is learning to resolve conflict when it arises. If we cannot resolve it, someone else may need to intervene.
3. Every living thing, including human beings, has developed ways to live in its environment.
4. Human beings influence events all over the world. When human actions have a negative impact on the environment, many people must work to help restore it. Their actions can make a big difference.
5. As we go out into the world, we find ways to stay connected to our friends, families, and countries. As we exchange the stories of our adventures, I feel I am part of the larger world.
6. We are all connected because every action made affects the world around us.

Essential Questions

1. How do different groups contribute to a cause?
2. What actions can we take to get along with others?
3. How are living things adapted to their environment?
4. What impact do our actions have on our world?
5. What can our connections to the world teach us?
6. How are we all connected?

Learning Objectives

- Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text, including how characters in a story or drama respond to challenges or how the speaker in a poem reflects upon a topic; summarize the text.
- Summarize a written text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including

visually, quantitatively, and orally.

- Summarize text to increase understanding.
- Determine two or more main ideas of a text and explain how they are supported by key details; summarize the text.
- Integrate and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal contrast, addition, and other logical relationships (e.g., *however*, *although*, *nevertheless*, *similarly*, *moreover*, *in addition*).
- Determine two or more main ideas of a text and explain how they are supported by key details; summarize the text.
- Compare the major differences between poems, drama, and prose, and refer to the structural elements of poems (e.g., verse, rhythm, meter) and drama (e.g., casts of characters, settings, descriptions, dialogue, stage directions) when writing or speaking about a text.
- Compare and contrast the overall structure (e.g., chronology, comparison, cause/ effect, problem/solution) of events, ideas, concepts, or information in two or more texts.
- Formulate questions and use information from the text to answer them to increase understanding.
- Create inferences from the key details in light of information and knowledge gained from the discussions.
- Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and explain how it is conveyed in the text.
- Analyze and explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text, identifying which reasons and evidence support which point(s)
- Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on *grade 5 topics and texts*, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly. Pose and respond to specific questions by making comments that contribute to the discussion and elaborate on the remarks of others.
- Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.
- Evaluate context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
- Integrate concrete words and phrases and sensory details to convey experiences and events precisely.
- Compose written pieces routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
- Produce complete sentences, recognizing and correcting inappropriate fragments and run-ons.
- Develop the topic, with facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples from the text.
- Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. Form and use the perfect (e.g., *I had walked*; *I have walked*; *I will have walked*) verb tenses.
- Integrate relative pronouns (*who*, *whose*, *whom*, *which*, *that*) and relative adverbs (*where*, *when*, *why*) into our speaking and writing.
- Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. Form and use comparative and superlative adjectives and adverbs, and choose between them depending on what is to be modified.
- Identify simple and compound sentences.
- Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
- Link ideas within and across categories of information using words, phrases, and clauses (e.g., *in contrast*, *especially*).
- Compose opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information.
- Generate and use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, description, and pacing, to develop experiences or events or show the responses of characters to situations.

- Create a concluding statement or section related to the opinion presented.
- Produce and write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

Remember	Understand	Apply	Analyze	Evaluate	Create
Choose	Classify	Choose	Categorize	Appraise	Combine
Describe	Defend	Dramatize	Classify	Judge	Compose
Define	Demonstrate	Explain	Compare	Criticize	Construct
Label	Distinguish	Generalize	Differentiate	Defend	Design
List	Explain	Judge	Distinguish	Compare	Develop
Locate	Express	Organize	Identify	Assess	Formulate
Match	Extend	Paint	Infer	Conclude	Hypothesize
Memorize	Give Examples	Prepare	Point out	Contrast	Invent
Name	Illustrate	Produce	Select	Critique	Make
Omit	Indicate	Select	Subdivide	Determine	Originate
Recite	Interrelate	Show	Survey	Grade	Organize
Select	Interpret	Sketch	Arrange	Justify	Plan
State	Infer	Solve	Breakdown	Measure	Produce
Count	Match	Use	Combine	Rank	Role Play
Draw	Paraphrase	Add	Detect	Rate	Drive
Outline	Represent	Calculate	Diagram	Support	Devise
Point	Restate	Change	Discriminate	Test	Generate
Quote	Rewrite	Classify	Illustrate		Integrate
Recall	Select	Complete	Outline		Prescribe
Recognize	Show	Compute	Point out		Propose
Repeat	Summarize	Discover	Separate		Reconstruct
Reproduce	Tell	Divide			Revise
	Translate	Examine			Rewrite
	Associate	Graph			Transform
	Compute	Interpolate			
	Convert	Manipulate			
	Discuss	Modify			
	Estimate	Operate			
	Extrapolate	Subtract			
	Generalize				
	Predict				

Interdisciplinary Connections

Please list all and any cross-curricular content standards that link to this Unit.

SCI.3-5-ETS1

Engineering Design

SCI.5-ESS3-1

Obtain and combine information about ways individual communities use science ideas to protect the Earth's resources and environment.

SCI.5-LS2

Ecosystems: Interactions, Energy, and Dynamics

SOC.6.1.8	U.S. History: America in the World: All students will acquire the knowledge and skills to think analytically about how past and present interactions of people, cultures, and the environment shape the American heritage. Such knowledge and skills enable students to make informed decisions that reflect fundamental rights and core democratic values as productive citizens in local, national, and global communities.
SOC.6.1.8.A.1.a	Compare and contrast forms of governance, belief systems, and family structures among African, European, and Native American groups.
SOC.6.1.8.A.2.b	Explain how and why early government structures developed, and determine the impact of these early structures on the evolution of American politics and institutions.
SOC.6.1.8.C.1.a	Evaluate the impact of science, religion, and technology innovations on European exploration.
SOC.6.1.8.D.2.b	Compare and contrast the voluntary and involuntary migratory experiences of different groups of people, and explain why their experiences differed.
SOC.6.1.8.CS3	Revolution and the New Nation: Disputes over political authority and economic issues contributed to a movement for independence in the colonies. The fundamental principles of the United States Constitution serve as the foundation of the United States government today.
SOC.6.2.8	World History/Global Studies: All students will acquire the knowledge and skills to think analytically and systematically about how past interactions of people, cultures, and the environment affect issues across time and cultures. Such knowledge and skills enable students to make informed decisions as socially and ethically responsible world citizens in the 21st century.
SOC.6.3.8	Active Citizenship in the 21st Century: All students will acquire the skills needed to be active, informed citizens who value diversity and promote cultural understanding by working collaboratively to address the challenges that are inherent in living in an interconnected world.

Alignment to 21st Century Skills & Technology

Key SUBJECTS AND 21st CENTURY THEMES

Mastery of key subjects and 21st century themes is essential for all students in the 21st century.

Key subjects include:

- English, reading or language arts
- World languages
- Arts
- Mathematics
- Economics
- Science
- Geography
- History
- Government and Civics

21st Century/Interdisciplinary Themes

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

21st Century Skills

- 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

Technology Infusion

edconnect.mcgraw-hill.com

ebooks

interactive vocabulary



Differentiation

Content:Content will be differentiated through use of multilevel readers for Basic Skills students, Special Education students, Talented and Gifted students, as well as ELL students. The readers are all focused upon the same content, however the lexiles differ depending upon the abilities of the student.

Process:The process will be differentiated through supplying three tiers of questioning for basic, intermediate, and advanced learners. Additionally, students will be supplied with sentence stems and differentiated student workbooks to foster student success of the established goals.

Product:The product will be differentiated because student work will be based upon their reading levels and

lexiles. Students will be given choice for projects that appeal to their various learning styles to promote confidence and success amongst the students.

Special Education

- 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
- multiple test sessions
- multi-sensory presentation
- preferential seating
- preview of content, concepts, and vocabulary
- 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

ELL

- teaching key aspects of a topic. Eliminate nonessential information
- using videos, illustrations, pictures, and drawings to explain or clarify
- 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 work presented 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

Intervention Strategies

- allowing students to correct errors (looking for understanding)
- teaching key aspects of a topic. Eliminate nonessential information
- allowing products (projects, timelines, demonstrations, models, drawings, dioramas, poster boards, charts, graphs, slide shows, videos, etc.) to demonstrate student's learning
- allowing students to select from given choices
- 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.
- decreasing the amount of work presented or required
- having peers take notes or providing a copy of the teacher's notes
- 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
- using true/false, matching, or fill in the blank tests in lieu of essay tests
- using videos, illustrations, pictures, and drawings to explain or clarify

Evidence of Student Learning-CFU's

Please list ways educators may effectively check for understanding in this section.

- Admit Tickets
- Anticipation Guide
- Common benchmarks

- Compare & Contrast
- Create a Multimedia Poster
- Define
- Describe
- Evaluate
- Evaluation rubrics
- Exit Tickets
- Explaining
- Fist- to-Five or Thumb-Ometer
- Illustration
- Journals
- KWL Chart
- Newspaper Headline
- Outline
- Question Stems
- Quickwrite
- Quizzes
- Red Light, Green Light
- Self- assessments
- Socratic Seminar
- Study Guide
- Teacher Observation Checklist
- Think, Pair, Share
- Think, Write, Pair, Share
- Top 10 List
- Unit tests

Primary Resources

McGraw-Hill *Wonders!* series

Ancillary Resources

SmartBoard, student laptops, decodable readers, leveled readers, literacy centers, and writing stations.

Sample Lesson

Unit Name: Joining Forces

NJSLS: See attached

Interdisciplinary Connection: Science, Social Studies, Writing

Statement of Objective: Analyze text for deeper understanding while citing and writing down explicit evidence.

Anticipatory Set/Do Now: Activate Schema and background knowledge

Learning Activity:

- Whole Group Read Aloud
- Guided questions to lead students back to the text
- Evaluate contextual clues to identify meanings of domain-specific vocabulary
- Encourage students to take notes as they read
- Provide students with frequent opportunities to discuss the text with peers
- Use text evidence stick
- Intervention

Student Assessment/CFU's: A B C Summaries

Materials:

- SmartBoard,
- Wonders digital video
- Text: *Lost in the Museum Wings*

21st Century Themes and Skills:

- Global Perspectives
- Civic Literacy
- Creativity and Innovation
- Information Literacy
- Critical Thinking and Problem Solving

Differentiation/Modifications:

- Cooperative groupings
- Higher order thinking skills
- Close Reading
- Leveled readers

Integration of Technology:

- SmartBoard
- ConnectEd

Standards:

Ref's	Standard ID	Description
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0x	LA.3.RI.3.1	Ask and answer questions, and make relevant connections to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.
0x	LA.3.RI.3.2	Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.
0x	LA.3.RI.3.3	Describe the relationship between a series of historical events, scientific ideas or concepts, or steps in technical procedures in a text, using language that pertains to time, sequence, and cause/effect.
0x	LA.3.RI.3.9	Compare, contrast and reflect on (e.g. practical knowledge, historical/cultural context, and background knowledge) the most important points and key details presented in two texts on the same topic.