

# Volleyball Unit (3-5)

Content Area: **P.E.**  
Course(s): **Language Arts, Art**  
Time Period: **February**  
Length: **2-3 weeks**  
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## Unit overview

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### Enduring Understandings

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1. Positive experiences and decision making regarding fitness attributes to a healthy lifestyle.
2. Participation in volleyball provides an opportunity for developing an understanding and respect of differences among peers.
3. Volleyball can provide an opportunity for personal enjoyment, personal challenge, self expression, stress outlet, and social interactions.

### Essential Questions

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1. How does volleyball contribute to overall fitness and lifetime physical activity?
2. Why is teamwork an important part of volleyball?
3. How will understanding the basic rules and strategies allow students to socially interact and communicate with peers?

### Instructional Strategies and Learning Activities

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Students will learn the following concepts and activities for volleyball:

- throwing
- catching
- rotation of the court during play
- tracking the ball
- passing
- communication
- positional area

- serving
- newcomb game (modified volleyball game)

## **Integration of Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key Skills**

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WRK.9.2.5.CAP.1	Evaluate personal likes and dislikes and identify careers that might be suited to personal likes.
WRK.9.2.5.CAP.2	Identify how you might like to earn an income.
WRK.9.2.5.CAP.3	Identify qualifications needed to pursue traditional and non-traditional careers and occupations.
WRK.9.2.5.CAP.4	Explain the reasons why some jobs and careers require specific training, skills, and certification (e.g., life guards, child care, medicine, education) and examples of these requirements.
TECH.9.4.2.CI.1	Demonstrate openness to new ideas and perspectives (e.g., 1.1.2.CR1a, 2.1.2.EH.1, 6.1.2.CivicsCM.2).
TECH.9.4.2.CI.2	Demonstrate originality and inventiveness in work (e.g., 1.3A.2CR1a).
TECH.9.4.2.CT.2	Identify possible approaches and resources to execute a plan (e.g., 1.2.2.CR1b, 8.2.2.ED.3).
TECH.9.4.2.CT.3	Use a variety of types of thinking to solve problems (e.g., inductive, deductive).
TECH.9.4.2.TL.4	Navigate a virtual space to build context and describe the visual content.
TECH.9.4.2.GCA.1	Articulate the role of culture in everyday life by describing one's own culture and comparing it to the cultures of other individuals (e.g., 1.5.2.C2a, 7.1.NL.IPERS.5, 7.1.NL.IPERS.6).

## **Technology and Design Thinking**

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This unit does not address the Technology and Design Thinking Standards.

## **Interdisciplinary Connections**

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LA.SL.5.1	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.
LA.SL.5.1.A	Explicitly draw on previously read text or material and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion.
LA.SL.5.1.B	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and carry out assigned roles.
LA.SL.5.1.C	Pose and respond to specific questions by making comments that contribute to the discussion and elaborate on the remarks of others.
LA.SL.5.1.D	Review the key ideas expressed and draw conclusions in light of information and knowledge gained from the discussions.

## **Differentiation**

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- Understand that gifted students, just like all students, come to school to learn and be challenged.
- Pre-assess your students. Find out their areas of strength as well as those areas you may need to address before students move on.
- Consider grouping gifted students together for at least part of the school day.
- Plan for differentiation. Consider pre-assessments, extension activities, and compacting the curriculum.
- Use phrases like "You've shown you don't need more practice" or "You need more practice" instead of words like "qualify" or "eligible" when referring to extension work.
- Encourage high-ability students to take on challenges. Because they're often used to getting good grades, gifted students may be risk averse.
  
- **Definitions of Differentiation Components:**
  - Content – the specific information that is to be taught in the lesson/unit/course of instruction.
  - Process – how the student will acquire the content information.
  - Product – how the student will demonstrate understanding of the content.
  - Learning Environment – the environment where learning is taking place including physical location and/or student grouping

### **Differentiation occurring in this unit:**

Grouping students for optimal participation and success will be planned.

Size of ball and weight of ball will be adapted as needed

Boundaries may be adapted for specific grouping needs

## **Modifications and Accommodations**

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Refer to QSAC EXCEL SMALL SPED ACCOMMODATIONS spreadsheet in this discipline.

### **Modifications and Accommodations used in this unit:**

Physical & learning accommodations based on individual IEP's will be closely monitored.

## **Benchmark Assessments**

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**Benchmark Assessments** are given periodically (e.g., at the end of every quarter or as frequently as once per month) throughout a school year to establish baseline achievement data and measure progress toward a

standard or set of academic standards and goals.

**Schoolwide Benchmark assessments:**

Aimsweb benchmarks 3X a year

Linkit Benchmarks 3X a year

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**Additional Benchmarks used in this unit:**

Teacher observation and checklist

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**Formative Assessments**

Assessment allows both instructor and student to monitor progress towards achieving learning objectives, and can be approached in a variety of ways. **Formative assessment** refers to tools that identify misconceptions, struggles, and learning gaps along the way and assess how to close those gaps. It includes effective tools for helping to shape learning, and can even bolster students' abilities to take ownership of their learning when they understand that the goal is to improve learning, not apply final marks (Trumbull and Lash, 2013). It can include students assessing themselves, peers, or even the instructor, through writing, quizzes, conversation, and more. In short, formative assessment occurs throughout a class or course, and seeks to improve student achievement of learning objectives through approaches that can support specific student needs (Theal and Franklin, 2010, p. 151).

**Formative Assessments used in this unit:**

Individual discussion with students and corrections.

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**Summative Assessments**

**Summative assessments** evaluate student learning, knowledge, proficiency, or success at the conclusion of an instructional period, like a unit, course, or program. Summative assessments are almost always formally graded and often heavily weighted (though they do not need to be). Summative assessment can be used to great effect in conjunction and alignment with formative assessment, and instructors can consider a variety of ways to combine these approaches.

**Summative assessments for this unit:**

Tracking of daily skills, progress of individual student for the entire unit.

## Instructional Materials

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Boundary lines

Volleyball standards and nets

Volleyball trainer balls

Regulation Volleyballs

## Standards

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HE.3-5.2.2.5.LF.3	Proactively engage in movement and physical activity for enjoyment individually or with others.
HE.3-5.2.2.5.PF.2	Accept and respect others of all skill levels and abilities during participation.
HE.3-5.2.2.5.PF.3	Participate in moderate to vigorous age-appropriate physical fitness activities and build the skills that address each component of health-related fitness (e.g., endurance, strength, speed, agility, flexibility, balance).
HE.3-5.2.2.5.MSC.1	Demonstrate body management skills and control when moving in relation to others, objects, and boundaries in personal and general space (e.g., coordination, balance, flexibility, agility).
HE.3-5.2.2.5.MSC.3	Demonstrate and perform movement skills with developmentally appropriate control in isolated settings (e.g., skill practice) and applied settings (e.g., games, sports, dance, recreational activities).
HE.3-5.2.2.5.MSC.4	Develop the necessary body control to improve stability and balance during movement and physical activity.
HE.3-5.2.2.5.MSC.5	Correct movement skills and analyze concepts in response to external feedback and self-evaluation with understanding and demonstrating how the change improves performance.
HE.3-5.2.2.5.MSC.6	Execute appropriate behaviors and etiquette while participating as a player and viewing as an observer during physical activity, games, and other events, contributes to a safe environment.
HE.3-5.2.2.5.MSC.7	Apply specific rules, strategies, and procedures for specific physical activity, games, and sports in a safe active environment.