

# Feb. Gr. 2 Unit 5: Your Heart, Small but Strong

Content Area: **Health**  
Course(s):  
Time Period: **February**  
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## **Unit Overview**

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Students learn about the heart and how it functions.

## **Enduring Understandings**

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Hearts are small but very strong and important.

We can learn to make heart healthy decisions.

Some people develop problems with their hearts.

The heart is the symbol of love and caring for others.

## **Essential Questions**

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What is our heart and what does it do?

How can we take care of our hearts?

Is there help for people with heart problems?

Why is the heart a powerful symbol?

## **Instructional Strategies & Learning Activities**

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Describe what your heart does and explain why it is called the "hardest working machine".

Practice being aware of and recording your pulse at different times.

Compare and contrast oxygenated blood with deoxygenated blood.

Explain how a healthy diet and exercise help you to have a healthy heart.

Describe some of the problems people can have with their hearts and some of the ways unhealthy hearts can be helped.

Practice encouraging others to make choices that will protect their hearts.

Explain why the heart is used as a symbol of love and caring.

Describe why caring for other people is important in making you feel good about yourself.

Practice showing ways to be kind and helpful to others.

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

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WRK.9.1.2.CAP	Career Awareness and Planning
WRK.9.1.2.CAP.1	Make a list of different types of jobs and describe the skills associated with each job.
TECH.9.4.2.CI.2	Demonstrate originality and inventiveness in work (e.g., 1.3A.2CR1a).
TECH.9.4.2.CT.3	Use a variety of types of thinking to solve problems (e.g., inductive, deductive). Brainstorming can create new, innovative ideas. Critical thinkers must first identify a problem then develop a plan to address it to effectively solve the problem. Different types of jobs require different knowledge and skills. Individuals should practice safe behaviors when using the Internet.

## **Technology and Design Integration**

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Students will interact with the unit using the Smartboard.

CS.K-2.8.1.2.CS.1	Select and operate computing devices that perform a variety of tasks accurately and quickly based on user needs and preferences. Individuals use computing devices to perform a variety of tasks accurately and quickly. Computing devices interpret and follow the instructions they are given literally.
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## **Interdisciplinary Connections**

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LA.RF.2.3	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
LA.RF.2.4	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
LA.RI.2.1	Ask and answer such questions as who, what, where, when, why, and how to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text.

LA.RI.2.4	Determine the meaning of words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 2 topic or subject area.
LA.RI.2.5	Know and use various text features (e.g., captions, bold print, subheadings, glossaries, indexes, electronic menus, icons) to locate key facts or information in a text efficiently.
LA.RI.2.6	Identify the main purpose of a text, including what the author wants to answer, explain, or describe.
LA.SL.2.1	Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about grade 2 topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups.
LA.SL.2.2	Recount or describe key ideas or details from a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media.

## **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:**

Students will be monitored for the need for challenge or support.

## **Modifications & Accommodations**

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

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

504 and IEP accommodations will be utilized.

## **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 made assessments

## **Formative Assessments**

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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:**

Discussion

Teacher observation

## **Summative Assessments**

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**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:**

Worksheets

Unit tests

## **Instructional Materials**

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A variety of instructional materials are available in the health and PE office.

## **Standards**

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HPE.2.1.2.A.1	Explain what being “well” means and identify self-care practices that support wellness.
HPE.2.1.2.A.2	Use correct terminology to identify body parts, and explain how body parts work together to support wellness.
HPE.2.1.2.A.CS1	Health-enhancing behaviors contribute to wellness.
HPE.2.1.2.B.1	Explain why some foods are healthier to eat than others.
HPE.2.1.2.B.CS1	Choosing a balanced variety of nutritious foods contributes to wellness.
HPE.2.1.2.C.1	Summarize symptoms of common diseases and health conditions.
HPE.2.1.2.C.CS1	Knowledge about diseases and disease prevention promotes health-enhancing behaviors.
HPE.2.3.2.B.2	Explain effects of tobacco use on personal hygiene, health, and safety.
HPE.2.3.2.B.3	Explain why tobacco smoke is harmful to nonsmokers.