

Unit 2 Living Together

Content Area: **ELA**
Course(s):
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Unit Overview

Students read informational texts to answer the essential question, "What do living things need?" They work on using book handling skills and reading self-selected texts. They interact with texts for increasing periods of time and recognize their characteristics and structure. During a writing project, they will get the chance to apply what they have learned from the text "Living Things" by writing about a list book that has a main idea and details about the topic.

Enduring Understandings

Readers use informational texts to learn about the natural world

Readers synthesize information to create new understandings

Writers generate ideas, discuss, and compose pieces to teach others

Writers use a combination of words and graphics to share information

Essential Questions

What do living things need?

How can you learn about the natural world by reading informational texts?

How do authors share information with others?

Learning Objectives

READING

Find main idea and supporting details

Ask and answer questions about text structure

Identify key vocabulary that is used to describe

Find text features

We Are All Wonders (DEI)

Chrysanthemum (Holocaust)

WRITING

Explore the elements of a list book

Generate ideas for a list book

Demonstrate that a form of writing is drawing a picture

Career Exploration – Students conduct research on different careers in our neighborhood.

SPEAKING AND LISTENING

Participate in a range of conversations with peers

LANGUAGE

Edit for adjectives, nouns, prepositions and capitalization

Standards: Content

ELA.L.RF.K.1.B	Recognize that spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters.
ELA.L.RF.K.1.C	Understand that words are separated by spaces in print.
ELA.L.RF.K.1.D	Recognize and name all upper- and lowercase letters of the alphabet.
ELA.L.RF.K.2.A	Recognize and produce rhyming words.
ELA.L.RF.K.2.B	Count, pronounce, blend, and segment syllables in spoken words.
ELA.L.RF.K.2.C	Blend and segment onsets and rimes of single-syllable spoken words.
ELA.L.RF.K.2.E	Isolate and pronounce the initial, final, and medial sounds (phonemes) in spoken, single-syllable words, (simple syllables that do not include final /l/, /m/, /r/, or /x/ sounds and consonant blends).
ELA.L.RF.K.2.F	Add or substitute individual sounds (phonemes) in simple, one-syllable words to make new words.
ELA.L.RF.K.3	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding and encoding words.
ELA.L.RF.K.3.A	Demonstrate basic knowledge of one-to-one letter-sound correspondences by producing many of the most frequently used sounds of each consonant.
ELA.L.RF.K.3.B	Associate the long and short sounds with the common spellings (graphemes) for the five major vowels.
ELA.L.RF.K.3.C	Read high-frequency words and grade level irregular words with automaticity.
ELA.L.RF.K.3.D	Recognize the parts of high-frequency words that are regular and the parts that are

	irregular.
ELA.L.RF.K.3.E	Distinguish between similarly spelled words by identifying the sounds of the letters that differ (e.g., nap and tap; cat and cot).
ELA.L.RF.K.4	Read emergent-reader texts (decodable texts, including words with one-to-one letter-sound correspondences) orally with sufficient decoding accuracy to support comprehension.
ELA.L.WF.K.1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of writing.
ELA.L.WF.K.1.A	Match upper and lowercase letters.
ELA.L.WF.K.1.B	Write upper and lowercase letters, with reference to a model.
ELA.L.WF.K.1.C	Write left to right and include a space between words.
ELA.L.WF.K.1.D	Identify the letters used to represent vowel phonemes and those used to represent consonants, knowing that every syllable has a vowel.
ELA.L.WF.K.1.E	Write a common grapheme (letter or letter group) for each phoneme.
ELA.L.WF.K.1.F	Orally segment the phonemes in any single syllable, spoken word.
ELA.L.WF.K.2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of encoding and spelling common, regular, single-syllable words by:
ELA.L.WF.K.2.A	Representing phonemes, first to last, in simple words, using letters with a transparent relationship to sound (e.g., the “o” in “rope” may be spelled with a single letter, o).
ELA.L.WF.K.2.B	Writing or selecting a missing initial or final consonant when spelling a CVC (consonant-vowel-consonant) word.
ELA.L.WF.K.2.C	Spelling VC (vowel-consonant) [at, in] and CVC [pet, mud] words with short vowel sounds.
ELA.L.WF.K.2.D	Writing frequently used words accurately.
ELA.L.WF.K.2.E	Attempting phonetic spellings of unknown words.
ELA.L.WF.K.2.F	Writing initial and final consonant blends (must, slab, plump).
ELA.L.WF.K.3.C	Capitalize the first word in a sentence, capitalize proper names, and include spaces between words.
ELA.L.WF.K.3.D	Use end punctuation.
ELA.L.WF.K.3.E	Use manipulatives or digital tools to construct complete sentences.
ELA.L.WF.K.3.F	Write sentences with increasing complexity.
ELA.L.KL.K.1	With prompting and support, develop knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and listening.
ELA.L.KL.K.1.A	Use frequently occurring nouns and verbs.
ELA.L.KL.K.1.B	Form regular plural nouns orally by adding -s or -es (e.g., dog, dogs; wish, wishes).
ELA.L.KL.K.1.D	Use the most frequently occurring prepositions (e.g., to, from, in, out, on, off, for, of, by, with).
ELA.L.VL.K.2	With prompting and support, ask and answer questions to help determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on kindergarten reading and content.
ELA.L.VL.K.2.A	Identify new meanings for familiar words and apply them accurately (e.g., knowing duck is a bird and learning the verb to duck).
ELA.L.VL.K.2.B	Use the most frequently occurring affixes (e.g., -ed, -s, -ing) as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word.
ELA.L.VI.K.3	With guidance and support from adults, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

ELA.L.VI.K.3.A	Sort common objects into categories (e.g., shapes, foods) to gain a sense of the concepts the categories represent.
ELA.L.VI.K.3.B	Demonstrate understanding of frequently occurring verbs and adjectives by relating them to their opposites (antonyms).
ELA.L.VI.K.3.C	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at school that are colorful).
ELA.L.VI.K.3.D	Distinguish shades of meaning among verbs describing the same general action (e.g., walk, march, strut, prance) by acting out the meanings.
ELA.RL.CR.K.1	With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a literary text (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how).
ELA.RI.CR.K.1	With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in an informational text (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how).
ELA.RL.CI.K.2	With prompting and support, identify the central message and retell familiar literary texts, including key details (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how).
ELA.RI.CI.K.2	With prompting and support, identify the main topic and key details of an informational text (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how).
ELA.RL.IT.K.3	With prompting and support, identify characters, settings, and major events in a story.
ELA.RL.TS.K.4	Recognize common types of literary texts (e.g., storybooks, poems) and identify features of print (front cover, back cover, and title page of a book).
ELA.RI.TS.K.4	Recognize common types of informational texts (e.g., biographies, recipes, how-to manuals) and identify features of print (e.g., front cover, back cover, and title page of a book).
ELA.RL.MF.K.6	With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and the story in which they appear (e.g., what moment in a story an illustration depicts).
ELA.RI.MF.K.6	With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and the text in which they appear (e.g., what person, place, thing, or idea in the text an illustration depicts).
ELA.RI.AA.K.7	With prompting and support, identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a text.
ELA.RL.CT.K.8	With prompting and support, identify basic similarities in and differences between two literary texts on the same topic (e.g., characters, experiences, illustrations, descriptions, or procedures).
ELA.RI.CT.K.8	With prompting and support, identify basic similarities in and differences between two informational texts on the same topic (e.g., characters, experiences, illustrations, descriptions, or procedures).
ELA.W.AW.K.1	Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose opinion pieces on topics or texts (e.g., My favorite book is...).
ELA.W.IW.K.2	Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose informative/explanatory texts to convey ideas.
ELA.W.IW.K.2.A	Introduce a topic.
ELA.W.IW.K.2.B	Develop the topic with at least two facts or other information and examples related to the topic, including pictures.
ELA.W.NW.K.3	Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate real or imagined experience or events.
ELA.W.NW.K.3.A	Establish a situation and/or introduce characters; organize an event sequence (beginning, middle, end).
ELA.W.NW.K.3.B	Provide limited details of experiences, events, or characters.

ELA.W.WP.K.4	With prompts and support from adults, recognize that writing carries a message and should make sense to others.
ELA.W.WR.K.5	With prompting and support, generate questions through shared research in response to a topic, text, or stimulus (e.g., event, photograph, video, book).
ELA.W.SE.K.6	With guidance and support from adults, recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.
ELA.W.RW.K.7	With prompting and support, engage in brief but regular writing and drawing tasks.
ELA.SL.PE.K.1	Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about kindergarten topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups.
ELA.SL.PE.K.1.A	Follow agreed-upon norms for discussions (e.g., listening to others with care and taking turns speaking about the topics and texts under discussion).
ELA.SL.PE.K.1.B	Continue a conversation through multiple exchanges.
ELA.SL.II.K.2	Confirm understanding of a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media by asking and answering questions about key details and requesting clarification if something is not understood.
ELA.SL.ES.K.3	Ask and answer questions in order to seek help, get information, or clarify something that is not understood.
ELA.SL.PI.K.4	Describe familiar people, places, things, and events and, with prompting and support, provide additional detail.
ELA.SL.UM.K.5	Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions as desired to provide additional detail.
ELA.SL.AS.K.6	Speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly.

Standards: Interdisciplinary

MATH.K.CC.B.4.a	When counting objects, say the number names in the standard order, pairing each object with one and only one number name and each number name with one and only one object.
SOC.6.1.2.CivicsPD.1	Engage in discussions effectively by asking questions, considering facts, listening to the ideas of others, and sharing opinions.
SOC.6.3.2.CivicsPD.1	With adult guidance and support, bring awareness of a local issue to school and/or community members and make recommendations for change.
CS.K-2.8.1.2.DA.3	Identify and describe patterns in data visualizations.
HE.K-2.2.1.2.EH.1	Explain the meaning of character and how it is reflected in the thoughts, feelings and actions of oneself and others.
TECH.9.4.2.TL.2	Create a document using a word processing application.

Assessment Evidence

Formative	Class discussions, “my student interactive” workbook (online and print) activities, in-class activities, Graphic Organizers, Kahoot, Exit Tickets, book clubs, questions from leveled readers, teacher observations of student’s phonic awareness, and oral reading skills, running records of students, Latic checklists, conferences.
Summative	Test, Quiz, Project, Leveled-Reading Assessments, Writing Assessments, Problem Based Learning Student Presentations.

Alternative & Benchmark	Alternative - Read to the student and chart oral responses. Word banks, sentence frames, oral responses, graphic organizers, observations, portfolios of student work, orally administered assessments, and anecdotal notes.
	Benchmark – LinkIt Benchmark Assessment, Reading Levels, TPA
Assessment Evidence Resource	

Instructional Resources

Textbooks, Maps, Laptops, Smart Board, Primary & Secondary Source Documents, myView Student Interactive, myView Teacher Resources, Leveled Readers, Online Platform. Readings: Animals on the Move, From Nectar to Honey, Do We Need This?, Open Wide!, Run, Jump, and Swim, We Are All Wonders (DEI), [Instructional Resource List](#)

Curricular Mandates

Below are the curricular requirements as defined in NJ Administrative Code and Statute

	Amistad	X	Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
X	Holocaust		LGBT and Disabilities (Grades 6-12)
	Climate Change		Asian American & Pacific Islander

Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Competencies

[NJ Social and Emotional Learning Competencies & Sub-Competencies](#)

X	Self-Awareness		Relationship Skills
X	Responsible Decision-Making	X	Social Awareness
	Self-Management		

21st Century Skills & Themes

X	Global and Cultural Awareness	Technology Literacy	Planning and Budgeting
X	Creativity and Innovation	Financial Institutions	Risk Management and Insurance
	Information and Media Literacy	Digital Citizenship	Economic and Government Influences
X	Critical Thinking and Problem Solving	Credit Profile	Career Awareness and Planning
	Civic Financial Responsibility	Financial Psychology	