4 Life Science: Molecules/ Organisms/Ecosystems

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Unit Overview

Essential Questions

How do plants and animals grow and change?

How do adaptations help plants?

How adaptations help animals?

What are the life cycles of some plants/animals?

How do organisms interact in ecosystems?

How do ecosystems change?

How do humans impact ecosystems?

Content

Adaptations help plants survive in different environments.

Adaptations help animals survive in different environments.

Organisms interact differently depending on their natural environment

Energy plays an important role in every ecosystem

Food chains and food webs are vital sources of energy in an ecosystem

Ecosystems change depending on environmental factors

People change ecosystems

Skills

Understand that plants can survive in different environments because of adaptations.

Understand that animals can survive in different environments because of adaptations.

Demonstrate how plants survive in various environments.

Demonstrate how water loss relates to surface area.

Explain and understand the steps and cycles of succession and how it impacts our environment.

Understand life-cycle variations, physical characteristics, and extinction.

Compare and contrast structural adaptations of same species.

Understand how organisms interact in ecosystems.

Identify and explain food chain and food web.

Understand behavioral adaptation and seasonal changes.

Explain environmental changes and how some animals and plants survive these changes.

Compare and contrast changes in the environment due to organism impact and human impact

Assessments

Apply understanding of classfication to identify and group previously unknown plants and animals.

Study Guide

Chapter Review

Chapter Test
Interactive notebook
Class discussion
Hands on labs/Explore It activities
TBD
Lessons/Learning Scenarios
Chapter 4
Lesson 2:
Read and discuss pages 129-133
Explore Activity page 128
Interactive notebook : Photosynthesis
PowerPoint presentation w/ question/answer sessions throughout
Lesson 3:
Read and discuss pages 134-139
Explore It activity page 134- hands on
Interactive notebook activities: TBD
Amphibian metamorphosis lab: TBD
Chapter 6
Lesson 2:
Read and discuss pages 216-223
Interactive notebook: Animals' Food (48), Food Chain vocabulary (54), Decomposers (57), Energy in food chains & food webs (60,63)
Explore It activity page 216- hands on
Lesson 3:
Read and discuss pages 224-230

My Planet Diary- connect to real world

Interactive notebook (98)

lesson 4:

Explore It activity- hands on page 232

Read and discuss pages 233-235

Alternate energy resources- Interactive notebook (101)

Standards

SCI.5.5-LS1	From Molecules to Organisms: Structures and Processes
SCI.5.5-LS1-1	Support an argument that plants get the materials they need for growth chiefly from air and water.
SCI.5.5-LS2-1	Develop a model to describe the movement of matter among plants, animals, decomposers, and the environment.
SCI.5.5-LS2	Ecosystems: Interactions, Energy, and Dynamics
SCI.5.5-PS3-1	Use models to describe that energy in animals' food (used for body repair, growth, motion, and to maintain body warmth) was once energy from the sun.
SCI.5.5-PS3	Energy

Resources