Grade 4 Science Core Competencies

Curricular Competencies

Students are expected to be able to do the following:

Questioning and predicting

- Demonstrate curiosity about the natural world
- · Observe objects and events in familiar contexts
- Identify questions about familiar objects and events that can be investigated scientifically
- Make predictions based on prior knowledge

Planning and conducting

- Suggest ways to plan and conduct an inquiry to find answers to their questions
- Consider ethical responsibilities when deciding how to conduct an experiment
- Safely use appropriate tools to make observations and measurements, using formal measurements and digital technology as appropriate
- Make observations about living and non-living things in the local environment
- Collect simple data

Processing and analyzing data and information

- Experience and interpret the local environment
- Identify First Peoples perspectives and knowledge as sources of information
- Sort and classify data and information using drawings or provided tables
- Use tables, simple bar graphs, or other formats to represent data and show simple patterns and trends
- Compare results with predictions, suggesting possible reasons for findings

Evaluating

- Make simple inferences based on their results and prior knowledge
- Reflect on whether an investigation was a fair test
- Demonstrate an understanding and appreciation of evidence
- Identify some simple environmental implications of their and others' actions

Applying and innovating

- Contribute to care for self, others, school, and neighbourhood through individual or collaborative approaches
- Co-operatively design projects
- Transfer and apply learning to new situations
- Generate and introduce new or refined ideas when problem solving

Communicating

- Represent and communicate ideas and findings in a variety of ways, such as diagrams and simple reports, using digital technologies as appropriate
- Express and reflect on personal or shared experiences of place

Content

Students are expected to know the following:

- sensing and responding:
 - humans
 - other animals
 - plants
- biomes as large regions with similar environmental features
- phases of matter
- the effect of temperature on particle movement
- energy:
 - has various forms
 - is conserved
- devices that transform energy
- local changes caused by Earth's axis, rotation, and orbit
- the effects of the relative positions of the sun, moon, and Earth including local First Peoples perspectives

Grade 4 Social Core Competencies	
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 Students are expected to be able to do the following: Use Social Studies inquiry processes and skills to ask questions; gather, interpret, and analyze ideas; and communicate findings and decisions Construct arguments defending the significance of individuals/groups, places, events, or developments (significance) Ask questions, corroborate inferences, and draw conclusions about the content and origins of different sources (evidence) Sequence objects, images, or events, and determine continuities and changes between different time periods or places (continuity and change) Differentiate between intended and unintended consequences of events, decisions, or developments, and speculate about alternative outcomes (cause and consequence) Construct narratives that capture the attitudes, values, and worldviews commonly held by people at different times or places (perspective) Make ethical judgments about events, decisions, or actions that consider the conditions of a particular time and place (ethical judgment) 	 Students are expected to know the following: early contact, trade, co-operation, and conflict between First Peoples and European peoples the fur trade in pre-Confederation Canada and British Columbia demographic changes in pre-Confederation British Columbia in both First Peoples and non-First Peoples communities economic and political factors that influenced the colonization of British Columbia and its entry into Confederation the impact of colonization on First Peoples societies in British Columbia and Canada the history of the local community and of local First Peoples communities physiographic features and natural resources of Canada