Science & Social Studies Pacing Guide



This suggested pacing guide is based on 200 minutes of weekly instruction for science and social studies (ie. 40 minutes of daily science/social students instruction).

Most units should take *about 2 weeks* to complete. Teachers have flexibility within each nine week period to teach units in the order that works best for their grade level team. Cross-curricular integration is encouraged to help students make real life connections and maximize instructional opportunities.

1st Nine Weeks				
Social Studies: Unit 1	Science: Unit 1	Social Studies: Unit 2		
Citizenship and Civics 3.11, 3.12, 3.13	Ecosystems 3.5	Geography 3.6		
Holidays: Labor Day				

2nd Nine Weeks					
Science: Unit 2	Social Studies: Unit 3	Science: Unit 3	Social Studies: Unit 4		
Animals Adaptations 3.4	China 3.2, 3.5, 3.7, 3.8	Water Cycle 3.7	Egypt 3.2, 3.5, 3.7, 3.8		
Holidays: Veterans Day; Thanksgiving; Martin Luther King, Jr. Day					

3rd Nine Weeks					
Science: Unit 4	Social Studies: Unit 5	Science: Unit 5	Social Studies: Unit 6		
Natural Event Cycles 3.8	Greece 3.3, 3.5, 3.7, 3.8	Soil 3.6	Rome 3.3, 3.5, 3.7, 3.8		
Holidays: Presidents' Day					

4th Nine Weeks					
Science: Unit 6	Social Studies: Unit 7	Science: Unit 7	Social Studies: Unit 8		
Matter 3.3	Mali 3.4, 3.5, 3.7, 3.8	Simple Machines 3.2	Economics 3.9, 3.10		
Holidays: Memorial Day, Independence Day, Juneteenth					