

	UNIT 1	UNIT 2	UNIT 3	UNIT 4	UNIT 5
Essential Question	How are living things interdependent?	What can we learn by studying relationships?	What is the connection between resources and settlement?	How can other perspectives help us understand the world?	How do decisions impact people and environments?
Benchmark	The U.S. Constitution: Then and Now	Developing Characters' Relationships	Cultivating Natural Resources	Recognizing Author's Point of View and Water: Fact and Fiction	Technology's Impact on Society
Theme	Informational Text	Literature Text	Informational Text	Literature Text	Informational Text
Text Type	Asking & Answering Questions	Visualization	Determine Text Importance	Making Inferences & Predictions	Summarizing & Synthesizing
Metacognitive Strategy					
Social Studies	Government <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Constitution established the U.S. Government The three branches and their functions in the U.S. government. The Bill of Rights and its role within the Constitution 	Government <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diversity of the various Native American nations in the U.S. The unique experiences of the Native Americans before European exploration Impact of the Native Americans on American society 	Geography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Causes and consequences associated with the exploration and settlement of North America Competing interests of European nations and the Native American counterparts 	History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impact of slavery on the development of the colonies Concept of the Middle Passage. How the colonies began to develop 	History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distinct qualities of the colonies How marked regional, political, social, and economic differences shaped the individuality of the colonies
Science	Life Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ecosystem is all the living and nonliving things that interact in an area Role of producers and consumers in an ecosystem 	Life Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Role of decomposers in an ecosystem How matter and energy move in and ecosystem What makes an ecosystem healthy or unhealthy 	Life Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How ecosystems change 	Earth and Space Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth's four systems. How Earth's systems produce weather and climate How Earth's systems change Earth's surface 	Earth and Space Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Human's impact on Earth's systems
SEL	Responsible Decision-Making	Relationship Skills	Social Awareness	Social Awareness	Responsible Decision-Making
Technology	Empowered Learner Digital Citizen Innovative Designer Global Collaborator	Empowered Learner Digital Citizen Creative Communicator Global Collaborator	Digital Citizen Knowledge Constructor Innovative Designer Global Collaborator	Digital Citizen Knowledge Constructor Innovative Designer Global Collaborator	Empowered Learner Digital Citizen Creative Communicator Global Collaborator

		UNIT 6	UNIT 7	UNIT 8	UNIT 9
Essential Question		How can people overcome challenges?	How does conflict help define a nation?	What can be learned from observing and analyzing changes?	How can perseverance lead to progress?
Benchmark Theme Text Type Metacognitive Strategy		Up Against the Wild Literature Text Make Connections 4 week iLit unit	Conflicts that Shaped a Nation Informational Text Fix-Up Strategies to Decode Words 4 week iLit unit	Transforming Matter Informational Text Create & Ask Questions and Determine Text Importance This iLit unit uses Benchmark Unit 10 texts 4 week iLit unit	The Economic Development of Cities Informational Text Visualizing and Making Predictions/Inferences
Social Studies		History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How the ideas of Enlightenment influenced the colonists Why the colonies protested against British rule 	History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The colonists who argued for and against independence from Britain The Declaration of Independence led to the Revolutionary War 	History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How America won the Revolutionary war Effects of the revolution on the homefront, and the global context of the American Revolution 	Economy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Why the Articles of Confederation were not sufficient and why they changed Historical context behind the Constitution and why it was needed
Science		Earth and Space Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effect of gravity on objects Distance affects how bright a light appears. Cause of the day and night sky. 	Earth and Space Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How shadows change during the day Stars appear to move during the night and year The moon appears to move and change shape Tools are used to observe space 	Physical Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Properties and structure of matter When two or more different substances are mixed, a new substance with different properties may be formed 	Physical Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What causes substances to change and how it affects their weight How engineers improve materials
SEL		Self-Awareness	Social Awareness	Responsible Decision-Making	Self-Management
Technology		Digital Citizen Knowledge Constructor Innovative Designer Global Collaborator	Digital Citizen Knowledge Constructor Innovative Designer Global Collaborator	Digital Citizen Creative Communicator Global Collaborator	Digital Citizen Innovative Designer