

5th Grade Standards

Correlated Standards by Class

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IMPORTANT: Our classes have a base curriculum that can vary based on instructor, and some activities that match the standards below may not be taught. Please let us know if there is a standard below you would like us to focus on, and we will tailor our classes to make sure we address it!

Animals in Motion

Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)

5-ESS2-1. Develop a model using an example to describe ways the geosphere, biosphere, hydrosphere, and/or atmosphere interact.

Alabama Course of Study (ACOS)

Science

SC.5.12. Use a model to represent how any two of Earth's systems (atmosphere, biosphere, geosphere, and hydrosphere) interact and support life. (*CCC: Systems and System Models*)

Aquatic Adventures

Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)

5-ESS2-1. Develop a model using an example to describe ways the geosphere, biosphere, hydrosphere, and/or atmosphere interact.

5-ESS3-1. Obtain and combine information about ways individual communities use science ideas to protect the Earth's resources and environment.

Alabama Course of Study (ACOS)

Science

SC.5.12. Use a model to represent how any two of Earth's systems (atmosphere, biosphere, geosphere, and hydrosphere) interact and support life. *(CCC: Systems and System Models)*

SC.5.14. Obtain and evaluate information to communicate how science-based solutions are being used to protect Earth's natural resources and its environment. *(CCC: Stability and Change)*

Mississippi College- and Career- Readiness Standards

Science

E.5.10. Students will demonstrate an understanding of the effects of human interaction with Earth and how Earth's natural resources can be protected and conserved.

- E.5.10.1. Collect and organize scientific ideas that individuals and communities can use to conserve Earth's natural resources and systems.

Art in Nature

Alabama Course of Study (ACOS)

Arts Education - Visual Arts

1. Combine ideas to develop an innovative approach to creating art.
3. Communicate personal ideas, images, and themes through artistic choices of media, technique, and subject matter.
14. Apply formal and conceptual vocabularies of art and design to view surroundings in new ways through art-making.
15. Identify how works of art/design are used to inform or change beliefs, values, or behaviors of an individual or society.

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Arts Learning Standards - Visual Arts

- Cr1. Generate and conceptualize artistic ideas and work.
- 1.5.a. Combine ideas to generate an innovative idea for art-making.
- Cr2. Organize and develop artistic ideas and work.
- 1.5.a. Experiment and develop skills in multiple art-making techniques and approaches through practice.
- Cn10. Synthesize and relate knowledge and personal experiences to make art.
- 1.5.a. Apply formal and conceptual vocabularies of art and design to view surroundings in new ways through art-making.

Down to Earth

Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)

5-ESS3-1. Obtain and combine information about ways individual communities use science ideas to protect the Earth's resources and environment.

5-PS1-3. Make observations and measurements to identify materials based on their properties.

Alabama Course of Study (ACOS)

Science

SC.5.2. Analyze data collected through observations and measurements to identify materials based on their properties, including color, hardness, and reflectivity. *(CCC: Structure and Function)*

SC.5.9. Create and use a model to explain the transfer of matter and energy between the environment and organisms within it. *(CCC: Energy and Matter)*

SC.5.14. Obtain and evaluate information to communicate how science-based solutions are being used to protect Earth's natural resources and its environment. *(CCC: Stability and Change)*

SC.5.15. Design, test, and revise solutions to clear a polluted environment. *(CCC: Stability and Change)*

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Focus on Fungi

Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)

5-LS1-1. Support an argument that plants get the materials they need for growth chiefly from air and water.

5-LS2-1. Develop a model to describe the movement of matter among plants, animals, decomposers, and the environment.

Alabama Course of Study (ACOS)

Science

SC.5.7. Support an argument from evidence that plants primarily use air and water to process matter needed for growth. (*CCC: Structure and Function*)

SC.5.9. Create and use a model to explain the transfer of matter and energy between the environment and organisms within it. (*CCC: Energy and Matter*)

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Science

L.5.3B. Students will demonstrate an understanding of a healthy ecosystem with a stable web of life and the roles of living things within a food chain and/or food web, including producers, primary and secondary consumers, and decomposers.

Food for Thought

Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)

5-LS1-1. Support an argument that plants get the materials they need for growth chiefly from air and water.

5-ESS2-2. Describe and graph the amounts and percentages of water and fresh water in various reservoirs to provide evidence about the distribution of water on Earth.

5-ESS3-1. Obtain and combine information about ways individual communities use science ideas to protect the Earth's resources and environment.

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Science

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SC.5.12. Use a model to represent how any two of Earth's systems (atmosphere, biosphere, geosphere, and hydrosphere) interact and support life. (CCC: *Systems and System Models*)

SC.5.13. Construct a model to represent the distribution of freshwater and saltwater on Earth. (CCC: *Scale, Proportion, and Quantity*)

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Hop, Slither, Slide & Birds of a Feather

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Invention Expo

Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)

3-5-ETS1-1. Define a simple design problem reflecting a need or a want that includes specified criteria for success and constraints on materials, time, or cost.

3-5-ETS1-3. Plan and carry out fair tests in which variables are controlled and failure points are considered to identify aspects of a model or prototype that can be improved.

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Science

P.5.5A Students will demonstrate an understanding of the physical properties of matter.

- P.5.5A.5. Design a vessel that can safely transport a dense substance (e.g. syrup, coins, marbles) through water at various distances and under conditions. Use an engineering design process to define the problem, design, construct, evaluate, and improve the vessel.

McDowell Woods

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Meet a Map

Navigation

People of the Earth

Rock Query

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Scope out the Sky

Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)

5-ESS1-1. Support an argument that differences in the apparent brightness of the sun compared to other stars is due to their relative distances from Earth.

5-ESS1-2. Represent data in graphical displays to reveal patterns of daily changes in length and direction of shadows, day and night, and the seasonal appearance of some stars in the night sky.

Alabama Course of Study (ACOS)

Science

SC.5.10 Obtain and communicate information to explain why the sun appears to be larger and brighter than other stars.

SC.5.11 Analyze data that reveal patterns of daily changes in length and direction of shadows, day and night, phases of the moon, and seasonal appearance of some stars in the night sky.

Mississippi College- and Career- Readiness Standards

Science

E.5.8A Students will demonstrate an understanding of the locations of objects in the universe.

- E.5.8A.1. Develop and use scaled models of Earth's solar system to demonstrate the size, composition (i.e. rock or gas), location, and order of the planets as they orbit the Sun.
- E.5.8A.3 Describe how constellations appear to move from Earth's perspective throughout the seasons (e.g., Ursa Major, Ursa Minor, and Orion).
- E.5.8A.4. Construct scientific arguments to support claims about the importance of astronomy in navigation and exploration, including the use of telescopes, compasses, and star charts.

E.5.8B Students will demonstrate an understanding of the principles that govern moon phases, day and night, appearance of objects in the sky, and seasonal changes.

Survival Skills

Mississippi College- and Career- Readiness Standards

Science

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