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| Science - <br> Grade 5 | Unit 1: Scientific Inquiry | Unit 2: Classification | Unit 3: <br> Forces \& Motion | Unit 4: <br> Solar System | Unit 5: <br> Weather \& Water Cycle | Unit 6: <br> New Technologies \& Measurement Tools |
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| Key Skills | Identify and write testable questions and hypothesis. <br> Recognize a fair test Identify variables Interpret and create a bar and line graph | Classify animals as <br> vertebrates and invertebrates Classify vertebrates according to traits Determine differences between plants and animals Use a dichotomous key | Identify simple <br> machines <br> Explain how simple <br> machines <br> change the <br> amount of effort needed <br> to complete <br> work <br> Explain how some simple machines change the direction of force needed to complete work | Make observations that show the Moon orbits the Earth in a month. <br> Observe that the Earth and other planets orbit the Sun. Identify that planets look like and move like stars. Identify that the Earth rotates once every 24 hours. | Classify matter as a solid, liquid, or gas. <br> Predict the effect that heat has on water. <br> Describe and trace the path of water as it goes through the water cycle. Identify the different forms water can take as it moves through the water cycle. | Identify how the effects of inventions or technological advances may be helpful, harmful, or both. <br> Use a spring scale to <br> measure <br> weight. <br> Measure temperature to the nearest degree <br> Celsius. |
| Academic Vocabulary | testable question <br> hypothesis <br> variables <br> fair and unbiased test <br> bar graph <br> line graph | vertebrate invertebrate photosynthesis | simple machine <br> force <br> work <br> lever <br> inclined plane <br> wheel \& axle <br> screw <br> wedge | rotation <br> revolution gravity motion | water cycle atmosphere precipitation run off evaporation condensation | meter <br> centimeter <br> millimeter <br> gram <br> milligram <br> liter <br> milliliter <br> Celsius |
| Reading/Writing Skills <br> *TE (Scott | Making PredictionsRead "Starry <br> Messenger" by Peter | Compare and Contrast TE p. 5; Read aloud "A House for Hermit | Cause and Effect Graphic Organizer TE p. 405 | Read a Biography Isaac Newton TE p. 440; Summarize TE p. | Sequence TE p. 197; Draw Conclusions TE p. 229 | Everyday Uses of NASA Technology TE p. 598-599; |

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| Foresman $5^{\text {th }}$ Grade Science Teacher's Edition) | Sis about Galileo Galilei. | Crab" by Eric Carle. Have students classify each animal presented in the story as a vertebrate or invertebrate. |  | 509; Making <br> Inferences with a <br> Science Article TE p. <br> 541 |  | Sequencing with a Graphic Organizer TE p. 573 |
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| Math Skills <br> *TE (Scott <br> Foresman $5^{\text {th }}$ <br> Grade Science <br> Teacher's Edition) | Choosing appropriate graphs; making and using line and bar graphs, finding averages; Make a Bar Graph TE p. 17 | Classifying Figures TE p. 28; Classifying Solid Figures p. 292 |  | Shrinking the Universe Down to Size TE p. 532; Weight on Planets TE p. 564 | Analyzing Tornado Data with a bar graph TE p. 252-253 | Students use rulers, meter sticks, and yard sticks in various math activities throughout the year. |
| Power <br> Standards/GLEs <br> Assessed | GLES COVERED: <br> 7.1Aa Formulate testable questions and explanations (hypotheses) <br> 7.1Ab Recognize the characteristics of a fair and unbiased test <br> 7.1Da Communicate the procedures and results of investigations and explanations through: oral presentations, drawings and maps, data tables, graphs (bar, single line, pictograph), writings | GLES COVERED: <br> 3.1.Ea Explain how similarities are the basis for classification <br> 3.1Eb Distinguish between plants and animals. <br> 3.1Ec Classify animals as vertebrates or invertebrates | GLES COVERED: <br> 2.2 Fb Identify the simple machines in common tools and household items. <br> 2.2Fd Observe and explain that simple machines change the amount of effort force and/or direction of force. | GLES COVERED: <br> 6.2Ca Identify the Earth rotates once every 24 hours <br> 6.2Cc Relate the apparent motion of the Sun, Moon, and stars in the sky to the rotation of the Earth. | GLES COVERED: <br> 5.2Ea Describe and trace the path of water as it cycles through the hydrosphere, geosphere, and atmosphere. <br> 5.2Eb Identify the different forms water can take as it moves through the water cycle. | GLES COVERED: <br> 8.1Ba Describe how new technologies have helped scientists make better observations and measurements for investigations. |
| Labs | -Galileo's Experiment | -Jelly Belly | -Marshmallow | -Oreo Cookie Lunar | -Make and use | -Toy cars lab (use |

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|  | -The Great Marble <br> Roll | dichotomous key | Catapult <br> -Levers Lab | Phases <br> -Shadows Lab | weather instruments |
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| Approximate <br> Instruction Dates | 6 weeks <br> (Aug.-Sept.) <br> Scientific Inquiry is <br> used throughout the <br> year in science lab <br> work. | 5 weeks <br> (Oct.-Nov.) | 5 weeks <br> (Nov.-Dec.) | 5 weeks <br> (Jan.-Feb.) | 5 weeks <br> (Feb.-March) |
| Measurement tools are <br> used continuously <br> throughout the school <br> year in science lab <br> work. |  |  |  |  |  |



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