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| **3rd Grade** | **Where We Are In Place and Time** | **Who We Are** | **How the World Works** | **Sharing the Planet** | **How We Organize Ourselves** | **How We Express Ourselves** |
| **Dates** | 4 Weeks  Sept 7 – Oct 5th | 8 Weeks  Oct 12 – Jan 4  Thanksgiving Break  Christmas Break | 4 Weeks  1 Week Buffer  Jan 4th - Jan 28th | 7 Weeks  Jan 31st – Mar 18th | 5 Weeks  Mar 21st – Apr22nd | 4 weeks  April 25th – May 20th |
| **Central Idea** | Location affects a society’s economy, culture and development. | Knowledge of our past connects to our present. | Changes in the world may drive people to adapt. | Awareness and human actions impact the environment in which we live. | We (Government and Citizens) are responsible for promoting the common good. | The uniqueness of a culture depends on geography, history, and interaction with others |
| **Lines of Inquiry** | Our physical location connects our community.  Environmental changes impact our development of society.  Resources may cause various outcomes in our economy. | The connection between humans, society and environment affect each other.  Our experience past and present influences how we adapt to our environment.  Where you live can affect the perspective of others. | There are many sources of heat energy.  Various sources of natural energy can be transferred, measured and used.  An inquiry into how a region affects energy use. | Pollution effects our environment in many ways.  There are methods to protect our natural resources.  There are things I can do to participate in conservation efforts. | Our personal and civic beliefs shape our perspective  The Government is put in place to make a difference.  Laws and respect are needed for democratic societies structure. | Literature can reflect a cultural perspective.  There are many different methods and materials that can be used to express ideas.  Poetry is a form of artistic expression. |
| **Key Concepts** | Connection  Change  Causation | Function  Connection  Perspective | Change  Form  Function | Perspective  Responsibility  Reflection | Responsibility  Function  Causation | Perspective  Form  Reflection |