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PreK	Central idea Different characteristics make us unique. Lines of Inquiry Characteristics of self Recognizing differences/similarities of myself and others Appreciation of similarities and differences Key concepts: form, function Related concepts: similarities, differences		Central idea Our feelings affect others. Lines of Inquiry Recognizing our feelings Communicating feelings Getting along with each other Key concepts: function, reflection Related concepts: behavior, responsibility	Central idea Understanding the change in season helps us to understand our world. Lines of Inquiry Exploring the seasons Understanding seasonal changes How to be safe and healthy in each season Key concepts: form, function, change Related concepts: seasonal change, well-being		Central idea Living things depend on each other for survival. Lines of Inquiry Exploring habitats Plants and animals depend on each other Contributing to the well-being of plants and animals Key concepts: connection, responsibility Related concepts: interdependence, living things
К	Central idea Friendships can be formed in different places and for different purposes. Lines of Inquiry •Characteristics of friendship • Friendship roles & responsibilities •Friends in different places Key concepts: form, function, responsibility Related concepts: roles, relationships	Central idea Some things remain constant while other things change over time. Lines of Inquiry • Wants and basic needs • What has remained constant over time • Personal histories and traditions Key concepts: function, causation, change Related concepts: continuity, growth	Central idea We discover and express ideas through art, music, reading, and writing. Lines of Inquiry Exploring creative ideas Communication through art and music Using words and pictures to support ideas Key concepts: reflection, perspective Related concepts: interpretation,	Central idea Objects are affected by forces. Lines of Inquiry Force of gravity Power of pushing and pulling Motion and speed Key concepts: connection, causation, reflection Related concepts: relationship, effect	Central idea Communities are organized through roles and responsibilities. Lines of Inquiry Types of communities Roles and responsibilities in a community How workers benefit a community Key concepts: form, function, perspective Related concepts: similarities, differences, roles, opinion	Central idea All living things share the Earth's resources. Lines of Inquiry Earth's resources How we share resources Our role in preserving resources Key concepts: form, causation, responsibility Related concepts: consequences, conservation, resources
1 st	Central idea Our behaviors help us to develop relationships. Lines of Inquiry •Definition of character •Behaviors affect relationships •Impact of relationships Key concepts: form, function, causation Related concepts: impact, behavior	Central idea Humankind's desire for improvement promotes change. Lines of Inquiry Recognizing the relationship between needs and inventions Impact of inventions Inventions change Key concepts: connection, causation, change Related concepts: inventions, chronology	creativity Central idea Celebrations are an expression of culture. Lines of Inquiry Definition of culture Types of celebrations Comparing and contrasting celebrations Key concepts: form, perspective, reflection Related concepts: similarities, differences, beliefs	Central idea Environmental change influences living things. Lines of Inquiry Climate Adapting to change Types of weather Key concepts: connection, causation, change Related concepts: impact, climate	Central idea Maps help us to organize ourselves. Lines of Inquiry Purpose of maps Characteristics of maps Interpreting maps Key concepts: form, function, connection Related concepts: location, map skills, properties	Central idea Sharing ourselves makes a difference in communities. Lines of Inquiry • Ways to share • Reciprocal nature of sharing • Outcomes of sharing Key concepts: responsibility, perspective, change Related concepts: beliefs, values
2 nd	Central idea Geographic location affects how people live and their culture. Lines of Inquiry Types of geographic features How and where we live Changes over time Key concepts: form, causation, connection Related concepts: geography, culture	Central idea Journeys can present challenges, risks and opportunities. Lines of Inquiry Reasons for journeys Consequences of journeys Impact on lifestyles Key concepts: causation, change, connection Related concepts: settlement, motives	Central idea We gain awareness and appreciation by observing, exploring, and interacting with nature. Lines of Inquiry Observing plants and animals Interacting with plants and animals Expressing appreciation for nature Key concepts: change, connection, responsibility Related concepts: nature, appreciation	Central idea Observing the position of the sun, moon, earth, and stars helps us to understand the Earth's natural cycle. Lines of Inquiry • Position of sun and moon in relation to the earth • Seasons around the world • Changes in the night sky Key concepts: function, causation, reflection Related concepts: consequences, pattern	Central idea Rules and laws are designed to organize society. Lines of Inquiry Roles of lawmakers Government organization Comparing and contrasting levels of government Key concepts: form, function, responsibility Related concepts: structure, role	Central idea Living in harmony with the environment is a human responsibility. Lines of Inquiry Our responsibility to conserve resources Methods to conserve energy Changes in energy resources Key concepts: perspective, responsibility, change Related concepts: influences, rights

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3 rd	Central idea Rights and responsibilities are reflected in how people govern themselves. Lines of Inquiry • Forms of government • Impact of beliefs on forms of government • Rights and responsibilities Key concepts: form, function, responsibility Related concepts: structure, role, citizenship	Central idea Actions can create change. Lines of Inquiry • People and events that promoted change • How change occurred • Impact of change Key concepts: causation, change connection Related concepts: history, impact	Central idea Creative expression is exhibited in visual, oral and written form. Lines of Inquiry Cultural expression in literature Using murals to express ideas Poetry as a form of expression Key concepts: perspective, reflection Related concepts: self-expression, values	Central idea Advances in developing and using thermal energy impact our environment. Lines of Inquiry Sources of thermal energy Development of thermal energy Using thermal energy Key concepts: form, change, connection Related concepts: properties, adaptation	Central idea Decision-making affects us economically and environmentally. Lines of Inquiry Exchanging goods and services Making choices based on economics Economic activity and its relation to our environment Key concepts: connection, causation, responsibility Related concepts: economics, environment	Central idea Human action impacts the physical environment of our world. Lines of Inquiry Pollution Conservation Recycling Key concepts: perspective, responsibility, reflection Related concepts: opinion, ecology initiative, behavior
4 th	Central idea Our actions reflect our beliefs and values. Lines of Inquiry Exploring beliefs and values Impact of an individual's actions Personal reflection of my beliefs and values Key concepts: perspective, reflection, responsibility Related concepts: beliefs, values, behavior	Central idea Migration is a response to obstacles and opportunities. Lines of Inquiry • Reasons for migration • Effects of migration • Evolution of migration Key concepts: causation, change, perspective Related concepts: migration, adaptation	Central idea Creativity is influenced by exposure to a variety of art forms. Lines of Inquiry • Forms of creative expression • Creativity is influenced by perspective • Our creative expressions Key concepts: form, perspective, reflection Related concepts: creativity, interpretation	Central idea Space exploration led to other technological advances. Lines of Inquiry Exploring Galileo Modern space exploration Space-based innovations Key concepts: change, causation Related concepts: progression, impact	Central idea Members of a society are affected by the decisions of their leaders. Lines of Inquiry • Factors that influence a leader's perspective • Effects of decisions on others • Decision making as part of the action cycle Key concepts: perspective, causation, connection Related concepts: compromise, conflict, power, leadership	Central idea Territorial expansion impacts indigenous people and resources. Lines of Inquiry • Westward expansion in the United States • The use and misuse of resources • Modern territorial expansions Key concepts: function, responsibility, change Related concepts: behavior, growth
5 th	Central idea Personal beliefs and values affect change in a society. Lines of Inquiry Disenfranchisement of minority groups Exercising rights and responsibilities to promote change Future implications of social change Key concepts: causation, change, perspective Related concepts: consequences, revolution, prejudice	Central idea Change connects individuals and populations locally and globally. Lines of Inquiry Growth creates change Innovation inspires change Effects of change on individuals and populations Key concepts: change, connection, perspective Related concepts: growth, innovation, trade	Central idea Artistic expression often reflects people's beliefs and values. Lines of Inquiry Exploring different art forms Interpreting art Expressing personal beliefs and values Key concepts: perspective, form, reflection Related concepts: opinion, interpretation, appreciation	(Exhibition 2016-2017)	Central idea Government decisions affect economics. Lines of Inquiry • US government policies regarding World War II • Impact of World War II on economics • Economic activity and impact on humankind Key concepts: form, causation, change Related concepts: differences, impact, transformation	Central idea Respect and knowledge help to create a peaceful world. Lines of Inquiry Causes of conflict Process of conflict resolution Peaceful co-existence Key concepts: causation, perspective, responsibility Related concepts: perception, conflict