CURRICULUM NIGHT FEBRUARY 2, 2016

WEATHER WIZARDS, ECO
WARRIORS, AND EOG
PREPARATION STRATEGIES FOR
SCIENCE

ESSENTIAL QUESTION FOR THE WEATHER UNIT (3RD QUARTER):











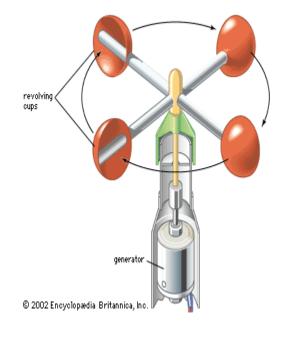


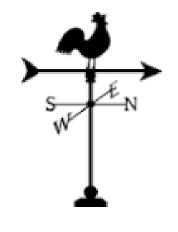
WHAT CAUSES DAILY AND SEASONAL WEATHER?

WEATHER TOOLS











Could you identify them?

LEARNING OUTCOMES



Students will understand that:

- weather changes daily and many factors are measured to describe and predict weather conditions.
- weather data can be collected by observation and/or measurement with a weather tool - and the weather data can be analyzed in order to predict the likelihood of a particular weather condition occurring.
- local weather conditions are influenced by global factors such as air and water currents.
- the sun's energy fuels the water cycle.
- heat is transferred by radiation, conduction, and/or convection; heating and cooling changes the properties of materials.

ESSENTIAL VOCABULARY

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ESSENTIAL QUESTION FOR THE ECOSYSTEM UNIT (3/4 QUARTER):

HOW ARE PLANTS AND ANIMALS CONNECTED TO EACH OTHER AND TO THEIR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT?

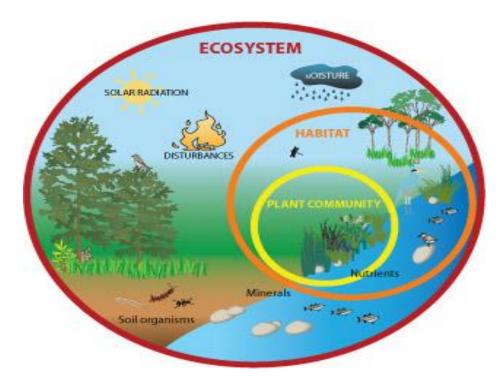
LEARNING OUTCOMES



Students will understand that:

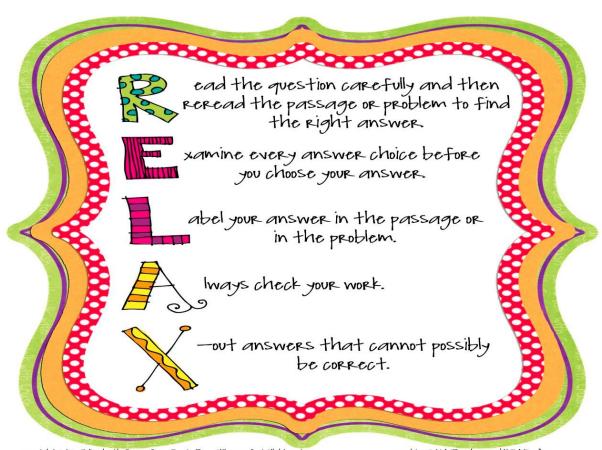
- An ecosystem is an interconnected community of organisms dependent on the physical environment and each other.
- Organisms within an ecosystem can be classified as producers, consumers, or decomposers.
- Ecosystems are affected by forces and changes, both natural and man-made.

ESSENTIAL VOCABULARY



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SCIENCE EOG PREPARATION STRATEGIES



AN INTRODUCTION TO SCIENCE NOTEBOOK

Think as a Scientist:

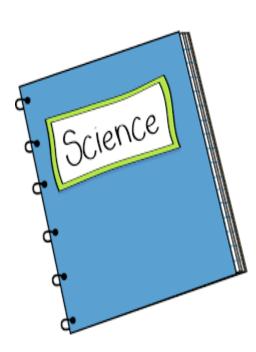
- Question/Problem/ Purpose
- Prediction
- Planning/Procedures

Record as a Scientist:

- Data
- Observation
- Labeled drawings

Reflect as a Scientist:

- What have you learned?
- What could be the next steps? Do you have a new question?



SIX STEPS TO EFFECTIVE VOCABULARY INSTRUCTION

From Building Background Knowledge for Academic Achievement by Robert Marzano

- Step 1: The teacher provides a description, explanation, or example of the new term.
- Step 2: Students restate the definition in their own word by writing it in their science notebook.
- Step 3: Students create a graphic organizer, picture, or pictograph to connect the term to their experience.
- Step 4: Students periodically do activities that help them add to their knowledge of vocabulary terms, like: comparing and classifying terms etc. After these activities, it is critical for students to go back to their notebooks and record new insights.
- Step 5: Students are asked to discuss the terms with one another. Organize students into groups and have them discuss the terms in their notebooks.
- Step 6: Students are involved in games that allow them to play with the terms.

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