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GRADE 6 – TERM ONE

UNIT: STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION (GRADE 6)

Topic: Technology and Human Systems

Duration: 8 Lessons

Objective

Students should be able to:

- 1. Construct models of the various systems
- 2. Identify technology utilized in the various systems in humans.
- 3. Construct models of technological devises that are used in the various systems in humans.

UNIT: MATTER AND MATERIALS (GRADE 6)

DURATION: 3 Lessons

OBJECTIVES

- 1. Identify a production process taking place in the home and industry.
- 2. Draw a diagram to show stages in the process.
- 3. Identify some of the changes taking place in the production process.
- 4. List production processes that people used to change materials to satisfy their needs

UNIT: EARTH'S WEATHER (GRADE 6)

Topic: Humidity

Duration: 2 Lessons

Objectives:

Students should be able to:

- 1. Define the term "humidity"
- 2. Describe how weather patterns may be influenced by humidity
- 3. Infer that cold air occupies less space than warm air.

UNIT: SOLAR SYSTEMS (GRADE 6)

Topic: Space Exploration

Duration: 4 Lessons

Objectives:

Students should be able to:

- 1. Distinguish between manned and unmanned space exploration
- 2. Research and display vehicles used in the exploration of space
- 3. Research and discuss benefits of space exploration

UNIT: EARTH'S RESOURCES (GRADE 6)

Topic: Land Pollution

Duration: 8 Lessons

Objectives:

- 1. Discuss different ways of disposing of waste materials and suggest when these are appropriate
- 2. Display correct methods of garbage disposal
- 3. Discuss the advantages of reducing the amount of garbage in the environment
- 4. Classify litter as recyclable and non-recyclable
- 5. Participate in a clean-up project
- 6. Design and construct useful items from discarded objects and materials

UNIT: ECOSYSTEM (GRADE 6)

Topic: Feeding Relationships

Duration: 4 Lessons

Objectives

Students should be able to:

- 1. Give examples of interactions among biotic factors in an ecosystem.
- 2. Identify food chains and food webs in an ecosystem
- 3. Explain competition among living organisms in an environment.

Topic: Our Changing Environment

Duration: 4 Lessons

Objectives

- 1. Describe the immediate environment.
- 2. Identify some ways in which an ecosystem can change.
- 3. List factors that can bring about changes to ecosystems
- 4. Examine and describe a local ecosystem that has experienced change.
- 5. Appreciate the fragile nature of ecosystems.

UNIT: DIVERSITY AND CLASSIFICATION (GRADE 6)

Topic: Pollination and Fertilization

Duration: 6 Lessons

Objectives:

Students should be able to:

- 1. Define pollination, cross-pollination and self-pollination.
- 2. Describe the processes of (i) self-pollination and (ii) Cross-pollination.
- 3. Distinguish between self-pollination and cross-pollination.
- 4. Classify flowering plants according to the type of pollination they undergo.
- 5. Name the agents of pollination.
- 6. Identify pollen grains and ovules as the reproductive cells or gametes in a flower.
- 7. Define fertilization as the fusion of male and female gametes.
- 8. Explain how fertilization occurs in a flower.
- 9. Appreciate the significance of the processes of pollination and fertilization in plants, as a means of obtaining seeds.

Topic: Seed Dispersal

Duration: 2 Lessons

Objectives

- 1. Define 'seed dispersal'.
- 2. List the agents of seed dispersal and give examples of seeds that are dispersed by each method.
- 3. Explain why it is important for seeds to be dispersed or scattered.

GRADE 6 - TERM TWO

UNIT: ECOSYSTEM (GRADE 6)

Topic: Conservation

Duration: 8 Lessons

Objectives

Students should be able to:

- 1. Compare the degree of air pollution in two different areas.
- 2. Hypothesize about the reason for the differences.
- 3. Investigate the cause(s) of air pollution in the two areas (to test hypotheses).
- 4. Design and construct a device to detect air pollution.
- 5. Discuss the importance of having clean air.
- 6. Identify natural sources of water.
- 7. State ways in which water may be polluted.
- 8. Discuss how people's activities may result in air and water pollution.
- 9. Construct a device to determine the turbidity of water.
- 10. Arrange water samples according to their degrees of turbidity.
- 11. Plan and design an experiment to make polluted water clean.
- 12. Discuss ways of reducing air and water pollution.
- 13. Design and make brochures, posters, etc. on conservation of air and water.

Topic: Earthquakes

Duration: 4 Lessons

Objectives

- 1. Describe an earthquake as a natural process and state what causes it.
- 2. Identify ways in which earthquakes have an impact on the environment.
- 3. State the safety measures to be carried out during an earthquake, and demonstrate each measure.

UNIT: FORCES, MOTION & STRUCTURES (GRADE 6)

Topic: Falling Objects I

DURATION: 3 LESSONS

OBJECTIVES

Students should be able to:

- 1. Determine experimentally that varying the mass of an object and the height from which it is dropped will vary the force exerted by the object.
- 2. Design a device to prevent an egg from breaking on impact after being released from a raised platform.

Topic: Falling Objects II

DURATION: 2 Lessons

OBJECTIVES

Students will be able to:

1. Determine experimentally that the surface area of a falling object affects the time for free-fall.

Topic: Forces and Materials

DURATION: 2 Lessons

OBJECTIVES

- 1. Investigate the strength of materials with reference to the forces materials can withstand.
- 2. Suggest ways of strengthening materials in an effort to make them more resistant to forces.

Topic: Simple Machine

DURATION: 2 Lessons

OBJECTIVES:

Students should be able to:

- 1. Operationally define a simple machine.
- 2. List examples of simple machines.
- 3. Infer that an inclined plane decreases the force required to lift an object.
- 4. Identify examples of inclined planes in common use.

Topic: The Wedge

DURATION: 1 Lesson

OBJECTIVES

Students will be able to:

- 1. 1 Define the term, wedge.
- 2. 2 Explain how a wedge functions in making work easier.
- 3. 3 List examples of wedges in common use and explain how they work.

GRADE 6 - TERM THREE

- 1. Completion of missing content areas
- 2. Review K-Grade 6
- 3. Practice questions –Bright Ideas USB
- 4. Quizzes
- 5. Field trips