

Scientific Process

2nd Grade Science

Standard 1

I. I can use the processes of scientific investigation: framing questions, designing investigations, conducting investigations, collecting data, and drawing conclusions. Framing Questions

- I.a I can observe using my senses.
- I.a I can create a hypothesis about what I observe.
- I.a I can come up with a question that can lead to an investigation.

Designing Investigations

- I.b I can think of reasons that support my ideas.
- I.b I can identify ways to gather information to test my ideas.
- I.b I can design fair tests.

Conducting Investigations

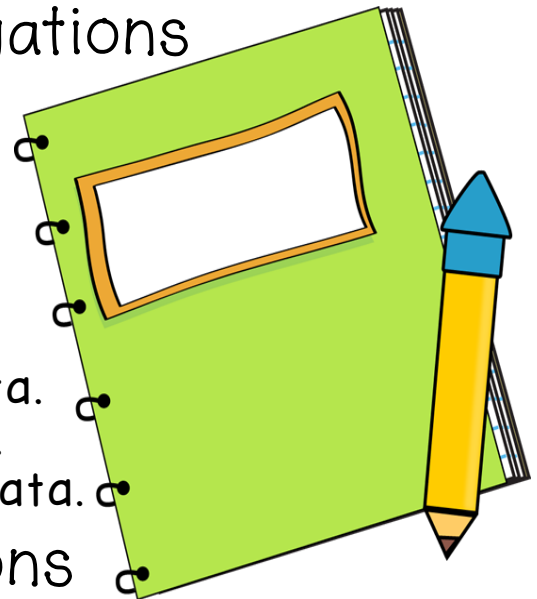
- I.c I can observe.
- I.c I can manipulate.
- I.c I can measure.

Collecting Data

- I.d I can decide what data to collect.
- I.d I can decide how to organize the data.
- I.d I can decide how to record the data.
- I.d I can decide how to manipulate the data.

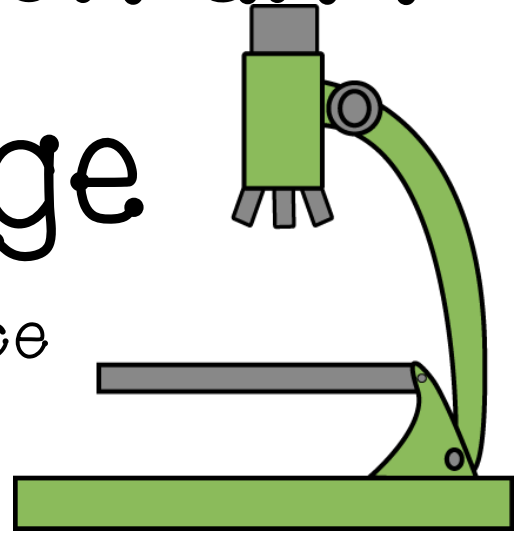
Drawing Conclusions

- I.e I can analyze data.
- I.e I can make conclusions from the data or evidence gathered.
- I.e I can identify limitations or conclusions.
- I.e I can identify future questions to investigate.



Scientific Communication and Knowledge

1st Grade Science
Standard 1



2. I can communicate effectively using science language and reasoning

- 2.a I can develop social interactions skills with my peers.
- 2.b I can share ideas with peers.
- 2.c I can connect ideas with reasons or evidence.
- 2.d I can use multiple methods to communicate reasons and evidence such as verbal communication, charts, and graphs.

3. I can understand the nature of science.

- 3.a I can understand that ideas are supported by reasons.
- 3.b I can understand that ideas in science are limited by what can be observed, measured, and verified.
- 3.c I can understand that differences in conclusions can be settled through additional observations and investigations..
- 3.d I can understand that communication of ideas in science is important for helping to check the reasons for ideas.

Earth and Space



2nd Grade Science
Standard 2

1. I can describe the characteristics of different rocks.

- 1.a I can explain how smaller rocks come from the break age and weathering of larger rocks.
- 1.b I can describe rocks in terms of their parts, such as crystals, grains, and cement.
- 1.c I can sort rocks based upon color, hardness, texture, particle size, and type. For example: igneous, metamorphic, or sedimentary.

2. I can observe and record recognizable objects and patterns in the night sky.

- 2.a I can observe, describe, and record patterns in the appearance and apparent motion of the moon in the night sky.
- 2.b I can observe and describe the number, arrangement, color, and brightness of stars in the night sky.

3. I can observe, describe, and measure seasonal weather patterns and local variation.

- 3.a I can compare and contrast the seasonal weather patterns during the school year.
- 3.b I can analyze and interpret data such as temperatures in different locations and different times.

Physical Science

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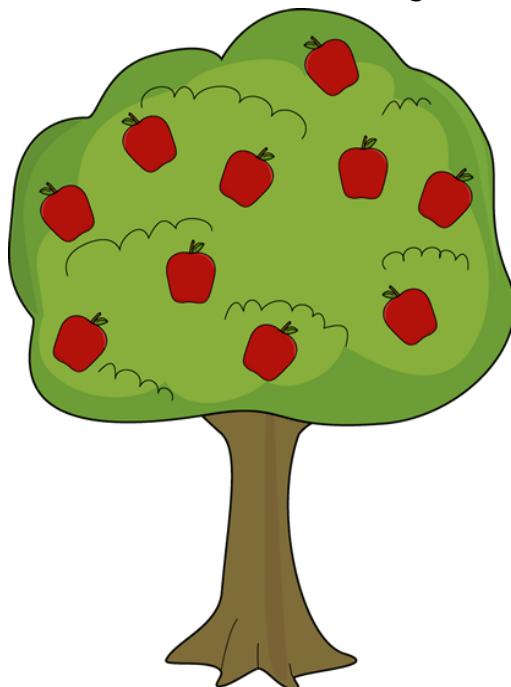
Standard 3

I. I can communicate observations about falling objects.

- 1.a I can observe falling objects and identify things that prevent them from reaching the ground.
- 1.b I can communicate observations that similar objects of varying masses fall at the same rate (for example, a large rock and a small rock).

2. I can observe compare and contrast the differences in how different materials respond to change.

- 2.a I can model physical changes of various materials.
- 2.b I can investigate and provide evidence that matter is not destroyed or created through changes.



Life Science

3rd Grade Science

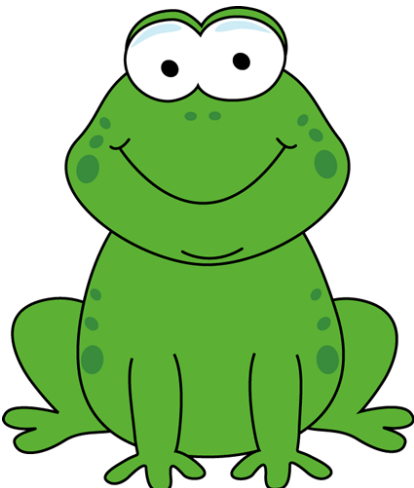
Standard 4

1. I can tell how external features affect an animal's ability to survive in its environment.

- 1.a I can compare and contrast the characteristics of living things in different habitats.
- 1.b I can develop, communicate, and justify an explanation as to why a habitat is or is not suitable for a specific organism.
- 1.c I can create possible explanations as to why some organisms no longer exist, but similar organisms are still alive today.

2. I can identify basic needs of living things (plants and animals) and their abilities to meet their needs.

- 2.a I can communicate and justify how the physical characteristics of living things help them meet their basic needs.



- 2.b I can observe, record, and compare how the behaviors and reactions of living things help them meet their basic needs.

- 2.c I can identify behaviors and reactions of living things in response to changes in the environment including seasonal changes in temperature and precipitation.