

K – 12 Unit Topics				
2013 – 2014	ELEM (K – 2)	INT (3 – 5)	MIDDLE (6 – 8)	HS (9 – 12)
Unit 17 September: <i>History</i>	We Are Different, We Are the Same Basic look at diversity by comparing similarities and differences in people	Friends in Different Places Basic understanding of cultural differences of people and ways we are alike	What Is Equality? Basic understanding of equality by treating people fairly; A look at history related to equality	Getting Along With Others Basic application of personal cooperation and conflict resolution with historical references
Unit 18 October: <i>Earth and Space Science</i>	Look Up in the Sky Basic understanding of the Sun, Moon and stars in relation to day/night, seasons and weather	Seasons of the Earth Basic understanding of the seasonal changes in relation to weather and the environment	This Is the Solar System Basic understanding of the Earth as part of the Solar System; Features of the Earth	A Look at Natural Disasters Basic understanding of geological events and natural disasters that affect our lives
Unit 19 November: <i>Scientific Inquiry</i>	Elementary Science Fair A simple scientific process with easy projects related to Elementary Earth, Life and Physical Science targets	Intermediate Science Fair A basic scientific process with simple projects related to Intermediate Earth, Life and Physical Science targets	Middle School Science Fair A multi-step scientific process with basic projects related to Middle School Earth, Life and Physical Science targets	High School Science Fair A multi-step scientific process with group projects related to High School Earth, Life and Physical Science targets
Unit 20 January: <i>History & Government</i>	My Country: Yesterday and Today Basic understanding of our country by comparing past with present; Develop a sense of national identity	This Is Our Government Basic understanding of our government system, including people and events that contribute to our government	Events in History Basic timeline of events in our country's history which lead to our democratic government; A look at our nation's capital	This Is History Basic understanding of historical events that led to the birth of our country and the government we have
Unit 21 February: <i>Geography</i>	Let's Make a Map Basic skills in making a simple map with understanding of physical features; Creation of a group map of own state	Land and Water Basic understanding of land and water forms on a map; Study of climate and temperature on a map	Our Neighbors in Mexico and Canada Basic understanding of North American locations, landforms, climate and vegetation	Find It in the World Basic understanding of world locations and significant events or sites
Unit 22 March: <i>Physical Science</i>	Paper, Rock, Scissors Basic recognition of objects by material and properties; Changes that are made to materials	Make It Move Basic identification of the movement of objects, including position, speed; Forces that make movement (push, pull)	Is It Hot? Is It Cold? Basic understanding of changes in matter based on hot and cold temperatures	Moving Fast! Moving Careful! Basic understanding of motion by speed, time and direction; Energies that make things move
Unit 23 April: <i>Economics</i>	Jobs Around Town Basic study of places in a town where people work; Understanding of how people earn money at a job	Where Can I Buy It? Basic understanding of community stores and businesses where we can buy specific things; Study of banking	I Want a Job Basic understanding of how money is earned at a job; How money is spent on things we need and want in our community	Help Wanted! A basic exploration of job preferences with an understanding of how money is earned at a job
Unit 24 May: <i>Life Science</i>	Baby Animals Basic understanding of the life cycle of animals by matching babies with parents	Life Cycles of Plants and Animals Basic understanding of the life cycles of plants and animals, including people	I Look Like My Parents Basic understanding of heredity within animals, including people; Categories of animals	As I Grow Up... Basic understanding of human factors related to heredity, health and nutrition in teenage years

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Unit 1 September: <i>Government</i>	I Can Follow the Rules Introduction to authority figures and rules we have at school	Let’s Visit Washington, D.C. Introduction to our nation’s capital and basic structure of our government	What Is the Declaration of Independence? Basic freedoms of the Declaration of Independence as it applies to our lives	The Constitution and Me Basic rights of the Constitution with implications for daily lives
Unit 2 October: <i>History</i>	What Is a President? Basic awareness and understanding of our country’s president	Living in Early America Basic introduction to early and Native American lives	American Heroes Introduction to selected Americans and how they have contributed	People Make Our Country Strong A diverse look at people and cultures in America
Unit 3 November: <i>Earth and Space Science</i>	Tell Me About the Weather Basic understanding of daily weather terms	Our Changing Weather Basic understanding of weather conditions and temperatures	Weather Reports Overview of weather conditions, temperatures and interpretations for our lives	Changing Weather; Changing Activities A look at how weather affects our daily activities and clothing choices
Unit 4 January: <i>Health</i>	Watch Me Grow Introduction to “I can do it myself” practices as we grow	Cover That Sneeze! Introduction to healthy practices	What Are Germs? Basic understanding of healthy practices for teens	Healthy Hygiene, Healthy Me Basic health and grooming skills needed for a lifetime
Unit 5 February: <i>History</i>	I Belong to a Family Basic review of family units and activities	My State History Exploration of own state facts, geography and symbols	Our Country Long Ago A comparison study of early America to our life today	History of the United States A basic history of the U.S. from 1492 to present
Unit 6 March: <i>Economics</i>	Can I Buy It? Basic introduction to money that we use for purchases	Need It or Want It? Basic study of wants and needs and the use of money	Earning and Spending Money Focus on money values for purchasing and saving	Planning a Project Budget Basic understanding of income/expenses for a project
Unit 7 April: <i>Life Science</i>	Plants Can Grow Basic study of plants as food and flowers; Plant needs	Plants We Eat Study of plants as fruits and vegetables that we eat	Plants in Gardens and Fields Study of plants as part of the food pyramid	Balanced Meals Every Day Understanding of nutrition on health and human energy
Unit 8 May: <i>Physical Science</i>	I’ve Got Energy Basic study of energy – from human energy to energy we use	What Is It Made Of? Basic study of matter, with a focus on materials we can recycle	What’s That Sound? Study of sound and ways we use sound in our lives	Using Electricity Basic study of electricity and uses in our daily lives

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Unit 9 September: <i>Government</i>	This Is My School Study of the roles of school authority figures; Use of tools in school	We Have Leaders Focus on local, state and national leaders and roles	We Live in the United States Addresses rights and freedoms when living in the U.S.A.	I Am a U.S. Citizen Basic look at rights and responsibilities of citizens
Unit 10 October: <i>Life Science</i>	Animals in Their Homes A look at common animals and the habitats where they live	Plants and Animals Around Us Introduction to ecosystems and the food chain	What Is an Ecosystem? Basic understanding of the ecosystems in the U.S.A.	Knowing our Ecosystem Basic study of the ecosystems including plants and animals
Unit 11 November: <i>Geography</i>	City and Country A comparison of city life and rural living	Traveling Around Follow the Lincoln Highway to learn about cities and maps	Getting to Know the United States A look at regions of the U.S.A.; Exploration through travel	Places to Live and Work Basic study of industry and agriculture in locations of the U.S.A.
Unit 12 January: <i>Physical Science</i>	See It, Feel It, Describe It Understanding of the senses and associated body parts/functions	Sorting for Recycling Basic understanding of materials that can be recycled	Combining and Cooking Introduction to physical changes through recipes; Focus on use of recipes	Everyday Energy Basic understanding of energy from sun, water, wind; Electrical and heat energy in our lives
Unit 13 February: <i>History</i>	I Live in a Community Basic understanding of the community as a place to live, work and have fun	Communities Near and Far Exploration of the local community and comparison to others far away	It's a Big World A comparison of other cultures with the U.S.A. and ways our culture has been shaped from history	Who Are the People in the U.S.A.? Recognition of diversity of people in the U.S.A. and people who help make change
Unit 14 March: <i>Physical Science</i>	Tools at School Basis awareness of tools that help us make things at school, home, community	Technology in the Community Basic understanding of electricity that we use in our lives	Technology in Our Lives A study of ways that we use computers in our lives	Tools That Help Us Every Day Exploration of technology and assistive technology that enables us to do a specific task
Unit 15 April: <i>Government</i>	We All Work Together Understanding early traits for cooperative work and play	I Can Make Good Choices Recognizing that we have choices and how to make smart choices	What Is a Good Citizen? Basic understanding of the responsibilities of citizens to make good choices	I Work in My Community Exploration of life choices for living, work and recreation
Unit 16 May: <i>Earth and Space Science</i>	I Can Help the Earth Basic awareness of the ways to help our environment	Water, Water, Everywhere Basic understanding of the water cycle and uses of water in our lives	Caring for Our Good Earth Focus on ways to recycle, reduce and reuse our resources	Recycle and Reuse Our Resources Focus on the impact of recycling, reusing and reducing for our environment