Leadership and Collaboration

Unit Length: 3 Weeks



Science Unit Plan

Teacher: Holly Robinson Grade: 9 Course: PWC

Unit Title: Leadership and Collaboration - Scientific Units and Measures

LEARNING TARGETS

LT1: I can describe fundamental physical quantities and units.

UNIT OVERVIEW

Overall summary of the unit, activities, tasks, and/or content.

This unit will serve an introduction to measurements used in science. Students will use scales, meter sticks, and other measurement tools to develop an understanding of taking measurements in the science classroom and lab. Additionally, students will participate in activities such as scavenger hunts, planning construction and building structures to familiarize and practice using numbers and units. Each activity is performed with a team or partner, which allows students to practice scientific Habits of Interaction as standardized by Hamilton County Schools. Students will complete lab reports for selected activities, which require a practice of good science techniques. This knowledge will prepare them for the study of Physical Sciences by providing good measurement and calculation skills, as well as preparing students to work in collaborative groups during project based learning activities.

MOTIVATORS Hooks for the unit and supplemental activities. (PBL scenarios, video clips, websites, literature)

Students will watch the Mars Probe Crash video (Somebody Got Fired!) to introduce the concept of the importance of using well-taken and consistent measurements. They will then participate in an activity where no standard measure is used and experience the frustration of trying to communicate results to a classmate who used a different measure.

Week	Learning	Materials & Resources	Instructional Procedures	Differentiated	Assessment	l
	Targets			Instruction		
1	LT1: I can	Technology:	Essential Questions	Remediation		İ
_	describe	iPad with following apps:	Why does having a unified system of measure matter in science?	Students will		İ
	fundamental	Goodnotes		complete an		İ
	physical	Notability	<u>Set</u>	additional		İ
	quantities	YouTube	Student "Hook" and Probe—Mars Rover: Somebody Got Fired! (Mars Probe	measure-taking		İ
	and units. TN CLE	Apple TV	Crash)	activity that will be		İ
	3237.1.1	Edmodo		designed by the		İ
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	Investigate		Teaching Strategies	teacher. This will	
	fundamental	Videos:	A 5 E plan that begins with student activities to engage will be used. Students	specifically target	
	physical	Intro to Metric System:	will complete each piece of the activities using the HCDE Science Habits of	any demonstrated	
	quantities of	Bill Nye	Interaction and Habits of Mind.	weaknesses.	
	mass and	http://youtu.be/MekxJse2vgs	interaction and riabits of Mind.	Additional styles	
	time.)	ittp://youtu.be/Mexxjse2vgs	Day 1: Engage with hook NASA Fail—Crash of the Mars Probe	will be provided	
		Significant Figures:	Probe—Paige Keely Books—"How Far Did It Go?"	(ie, written, song,	
		http://youtu.be/eCJ76hz7jPM	Day 2: Safety Quiz/Accident at Jefferson High video	etc. to address	
		ittp://youtu.be/ecj/onz/ji M	Day 3: Finish Jefferson High/Pictures of Lab Scenarios: Students will be given a	many learning	
		Accuracy and Precision	teacher-generated scenario and ask how the situation could have been	styles).	
		http://youtu.be/8Cl5CeiT7hU	prevented and then what steps should be taken to address the situation.	stylesj.	
		ittp://youtu.be/odioderr/no	Day 4: Explore: Scavenger Hunt teams use metric lab rulers, meter sticks,	Enrichment:	
		NASA Fail	homemade ruler and body to measure a variety of objects. We then try	Students will	
		http://youtu.be/q2L5_swAT5A	(unsuccessfully!) to communicate our results.	develop a	
		ittp://youtu.bc/q2n3_swiit5h	Day 5: Extend/Explain Comparison of Scavenger Activity Results/Model Lab	conversion method	
		Accident at Jefferson High	Report: Step by step in-class completion to model expectations for lab reports	for unconventional	
		http://youtu.be/PxyDImUYo14?l	and explain template.	measurement	
		ist=PLfM-	and onplain compactor	styles (x pinky	
		n9FcC6oWAkfTqA_6vo8l70P0Gk	Summarizing Strategy	fingers equal x	
		<u>xUI</u>	Public Record—3 Essential Lab Safety rules and Mock Hypothesis: Students	meters, etc.)	
		<u></u>	post through Edmodo link and into Google Forms.		
		Materials:		Learning Styles	
			Homework	Kinesthetic, visual,	
		Meter sticks	Students will watch a video to understand the SI system basics.	auditory and	
		Fabric Rulers	Intro to Metric System: Bill Nye	verbal.	
		Plastic Rulers		, 51 2511	
		Steel Marbles			
		Fabric Bits			
		Websites:			
		Google Forms			
2		Technology:	Essential Questions	Remediation	Formative #1:
	LT1: I can	iPad with following apps:	How can you take accurate measurements?	Students needing	Lab Safety and
	describe	Goodnotes	How does the SI system allow me to convert between units?	remediation for	Accuracy/
	fundamental	Notability		Accuracy and	Precision
	physical	YouTube	<u>Set</u>	Precision will draw	
	quantities and units.	Apple TV	Bullseye! Game	examples of	
	TN CLE	Edmodo		accuracy and	
	3237.1.1		<u>Teaching Strategies</u>	precision and	
	Investigate	Materials:	A 5 E plan that begins with student activities to engage will be used. Students	explain the	
	fundamental		will complete each piece of the activities using the HCDE Science Habits of	difference to a peer	
	physical	UC Davis ChemWiki:	Interaction and Habits of Practice.	tutor.	
	quantities of	http://chemwiki.ucdavis.edu/An			
	mass and	alytical_Chemistry/Quantifying_		Students struggling	
	time.)	Nature/Significant_Digits/Signifi	Day 6: Explore: Accuracy vs. Precision; Bullseye! Activity:	with Scientific	
		<u>cant_Figures</u>	Students will spin 3 times and place a mark as near the bullseye as possible.	Notation, Sig Figs	
		_	They will then analyze their bullseye for accuracy and precision.	and Metric will	
		Make It Metric!	Day 7: Extend/Explain: Scientific Notation/Sig Figs	work with a Team	
		http://www.uen.org/Lessonplan	Sig Figs: UC Davis Rules and any teacher-designed Jeopardy Game	Captain, and be	
		/preview.cgi?LPid=21571	Day 8: Sig Figs Wrap Up/Sig Fig Formative	given elementary-	
			Day 9: Explore: Metric Conversions	level resources to	

	Todaysmeet.com—classroom chatroom	King Henry Activity; designing your own game to teach 5th graders. Students should reference: Make It Metric! website Day 10: Extend/Explain: Metric Conversions: add piece to game where 5th grade students will learn to convert. Day 11: Metric Conversions: guided practice Summarizing Strategy Structured Talk: Students will have private think time, then, share their ideas with a partner. They should respond to the prompt, "Give a process for taking accurate and precise measurement." Today's Meet Homework Guided Practice worksheets (and finish for homework): Metric Mania, Scientific Notation, and Significant Figure counting, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division problems.	reteach basic skills. Enrichment These students will learn the "fencepost style" for complete conversion. This is the type used in college courses, and is set up as a ratio, showing conversion factors. Learning Styles Kinesthetic, visual, auditory and verbal.	
LT1: I can describe fundamental physical quantities and units. TN CLE 3237.1.1 Investigate fundamental physical quantities of mass and time.)	iPads with Apps: Goodnotes Notability Google Drive (for submission of Lab Reports; this is where science notebooks are stored) Edmodo	Essential Questions How can we convert between differing metric prefixes? What is the difference in mass and weight? Set Comparing Mass: Students take the mass and weight of various daily objects and try to explain why one scale reads differently (most don't notice the electric balances are set to Newtons). Teaching Strategies A 5 E plan that begins with student activities to engage will be used. Students will complete each piece of the activities using the HCDE Science Habits of Interaction and Habits of Mind. Day 12: Explore: Mass: First portion of the Comparing Mass Lab; students find mass in grams only and practice using balances (reading correctly, using right sig figs, etc.) Day 13: Explore: Time: Guided practice converting between hours, minutes and seconds. Extend/Explain: Follow-up Lab Report Activity for Mass: Have students write and submit their first lab report, using teacher provided template. Day 14: Explore/Extend/Explain: Weight and Newtons: Second part of Comparing Mass Lab. Students will weigh same objects, only this time they will weigh in Newtons and try to explain why the readings are different from same scales and materials. Day 15: Evaluate: Tie Up Game/Formative—Jeopardy for Sig Figs, Scientific Notation, Mass, Weight and Time. Summarizing Strategy Tie Up Game Reveal Answers to Keely Probe	Remediation Students will revisit the middle- school concept of mass and matter using a teacher- selected video and worksheet to choose which is matter and which is weight. Students with poor lab reports will participate in the PB and Jelly Sandwich (describe making this sandwich to someone who doesn't know what it is) building activity to address good lab report writing. Enrichment: Students moving more quickly will be given the Lab Report Critique to	Formative #2: Significant Figures, Scientific Notation and Metric Conversions Summative #1: Lab Safety, Accuracy and Precision, Significant Figures, Scientific Notation, Metric Conversion, Mass vs. Weight and Time.

Lab Report #1 bad lab report techniques.		Homework Guided Practice worksheets (and finish for homework): Time Lab Report #1	discuss good and bad lab report techniques.
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