

K – 12 Unit Topics				
2017 – 2018	ELEM (K – 2)	INT (3 – 5)	MIDDLE (6 – 8)	HS (9 – 12)
Unit 1 September:	I Can Follow the Rules (Government) Introduces rules at home and in school.	We Have Rules and Laws (Government) Identifies rules and laws and why we must follow them.	Rules and Laws Keep Us Safe (Government) Explores rules and laws and the people who make them.	Living With Rules and Laws (Government) Explores why rules and laws are important and how they impact our daily lives.
Unit 2 October:	Move It! (Physical Science) Looks at the way things move.	Make It Move (Physical Science) Explores force and motion.	Objects on the Move (Physical Science) Explores the motion of objects by looking at variables such as speed, distance and height.	Fast and Slow, Objects Go (Physical Science) Looks at objects in motion in terms of distance, speed, position, acceleration and time.
Unit 3 November:	People Long Ago (History) Explores why people from the past moved from place to place.	Living in Early America (History) Explores life in early America.	Things Have Changed (History / World History) Compares physical and human-made features of the past with those of today.	Ancient Communities History / World History Investigates how communities and cultures have changed over time.
Unit 4 January:	I Can Be Healthy (Health / Life Science) Explores the body and what it needs to be healthy.	Keeping My Body Healthy (Health / Life Science) Explores parts of the body and ways to keep different body parts healthy.	My Body, My Health (Health / Life Science) Explores body systems and basic health practices.	Healthy Hygiene, Healthy Me (Health / Life Science) Explores body systems and reviews health and grooming skills needed for a lifetime.
Unit 5 February:	I Live in a Community (History) Explores traditions of community, state and country.	We Are a Community (History) Explores different cultures and how they come together to form communities, states and nations.	Building a New Country (History) Focuses on the events that led to the formation of the U.S.	Fighting for Freedom (History) Explores the reasons for the Declaration of Independence and the American Revolution.
Unit 6 March:	Tell Me About the Weather (Earth and Space Science) Looks at seasons and weather.	Our Changing Weather (Earth and Space Science) Explores the relationship between seasons and weather.	All Kinds of Weather (Earth and Space Science) Explores Earth and its atmosphere, water and weather.	Studying Weather (Earth and Space Science) Explores scientific ways to measure, predict and report weather.
Unit 7 April:	Changing Our Land (Geography) Explores ways people change the environment.	Changes Help, Changes Hurt (Geography) Investigates positive and negative changes people make to the environment.	Changing Our Environment (Geography) Investigates positive and negative changes people make to the environment.	Changes All Around Us (Geography) Looks at the advantages and disadvantages of changes people make to the environment, including impact on natural resources.
Unit 8 May:	Plants Can Grow (Life Science) Explores plants and how they grow.	See How They Grow (Life Science) Focuses on life cycles and how living things, especially plants, survive.	Plants in Gardens and Fields (Life Science) Investigates plants as food, as well as a plant's ability to make their own food through photosynthesis.	Plant Life (Life Science) Investigates the process of photosynthesis.

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Unit 9 September:	This Is My School (Government) Introduces authority figures and rules at school.	We Have Leaders (Government) Introduces the basic role of authority figures at the school, local, state and national levels.	Our Leaders; Our World (Government) Examines leaders at the world, national, state and local levels.	Leaders in Our Lives (Government) Identifies the roles of federal, state and community leaders and their impact in our lives.
Unit 10 October:	Animals in Their Homes (Life Science) Explores common animals and where they live.	Living in an Ecosystem (Life Science) Introduces plants and animals in various ecosystems and how they survive.	What Is an Ecosystem? (Life Science) Explores biomes and the animals that live in each biome.	Knowing Our Ecosystems (Life Science) Discusses ecosystems and biomes and the dangers they face.
Unit 11 November:	Finding Our Way (Geography) Introduces simple maps and their uses.	Load 'em Up (Geography) Explores maps, landforms and different types of transportation.	Across the Miles (Geography) Explores how and why people travel.	Where Does It Come From? (Geography) Identifies how trade affects transportation, technology and global change.
Unit 12 January:	See It, Feel It, Describe It (Physical Science) Explores matter and the ways matter can change.	It's Just a Phase (Physical Science) Explores the physical changes of matter.	What a Change! (Physical Science) Explores states of matter and how materials change states.	What's the Matter? (Physical Science) Investigates various physical and chemical changes in matter.
Unit 13 February:	Time for Peace (History) Explores people who worked for peace.	Cultures of Change (History) Explores how cultures have changed over time with a focus on the people who helped bring change.	American Peacekeepers (History) Introduces important Americans and how they have contributed to peace in our country.	Leaders for Peace and Equality (History) Examines central figures throughout history who played a role in promoting peace and fighting discrimination.
Unit 14 March:	The Hot, Hot Sun (Physical Science) Explores energy from the Sun and how it affects different objects.	Energy Around Us (Physical Science) Explores different forms of energy and how electricity makes things work.	Buzzing With Energy (Physical Science) Provides a basic study of energy and technology in daily life.	Energy Is Everywhere (Physical Science) Identifies and explains various types of energy.
Unit 15 April:	Can I Buy It? (Economics) Introduces wants and needs, and buying and selling.	To Market, To Market (Economics) Explores wants and needs, producers and consumers, and production of goods.	Right on the Money (Economics) Explores how to get the most out of your money by making smart purchases.	But I Want It! (Economics) Investigates how a budget impacts meeting wants and needs.
Unit 16 May:	Fast and Slow, Earth Changes (Earth and Space Science) Provides a basic introduction to Earth's events and the changes they bring.	Making It Last (Earth and Space Science) Focuses on renewable and non-renewable resources and how we can conserve them.	Caring For Our Earth (Earth and Space Science) Focuses on ways to reduce, reuse and recycle our resources.	Our Changing Earth (Earth and Space Science) Investigates Earth and the many changes it undergoes.

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Unit 17 September:	We All Work Together (Government) Explores rights and responsibilities of being part of a group with a focus on groups within the school setting.	We Have Rights (Government) Identifies rights guaranteed by the Constitution and how they impact our daily lives.	My Country, My Rights! (Government) Explores the freedoms of U.S. citizens and how exercising those freedoms impacts others.	It's My Right! (Government) Looks at key historical documents such as the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, and how those documents impact our daily lives.
Unit 18 October:	Elementary Science Fair (Scientific Inquiry) Introduces scientific inquiry and what it is like to participate in a science fair.	Intermediate Science Fair (Scientific Inquiry) Teaches the scientific inquiry process through participation in a science fair.	Middle School Science Fair (Scientific Inquiry) Teaches the scientific inquiry process through participation in a science fair.	High School Science Fair (Scientific Inquiry) Teaches the scientific inquiry process through participation in a science fair.
Unit 19 November:	Look Up in the Sky (Earth and Space Science) Explores objects found in the sky, including the Sun and the Moon.	Here Comes the Sun (Earth and Space Science) Describes the Sun and its relationship to Earth.	Our Place in Space (Earth and Space Science) Explores the relationship of Earth to the Moon, the Sun and the planets.	Around the Solar System (Earth and Space Science) Explores relationships and motion within the solar system.
Unit 20 January:	My Country: Yesterday and Today (History) Compares the past and the present.	Times Have Changed (History) Looks at life in the U.S. and how it has changed over time.	We Need Change (History) Explores conflict and how it has changed the U.S.	From Conflict to Change (History / World History) Explores conflict and change in U.S. and World history.
Unit 21 February:	Natural or Man-Made? (Geography) Explores natural and human-made features found on a map.	Resources by Region (Geography) Uses maps to explore geographical and human-made features and where they are located.	What Makes This Place Special? (Geography) Uses maps to explore geographical and human-made features of various regions.	Where in the World? (Geography) Identifies past and present features of a region and how that region compares to other regions.
Unit 22 March:	Exploring Light and Sound (Physical Science) Introduces light and sound.	Light and Sound on the Move (Physical Science) Explores sources of light and sound and movement of light and sound through different types of matter.	Making Waves: Light and Sound (Physical Science) Explores how light and sound waves interact with various materials.	Changes to Light and Sound (Physical Science) Investigates how changes in frequency, wavelength or speed impact light and sound waves.
Unit 23 April:	Earning Money (Economics) Explores money, why people need it and how people earn it.	Earn Before You Spend (Economics) Investigates different ways to earn and spend money.	I Can Earn Money (Economics) Looks at income and banking services.	All in a Day's Work (Economics) Investigates the relationship among income, work skills, attitudes and opportunities.
Unit 24 May:	Are You My Parent? (Life Science) Explores how parents and their young are alike and different.	We Look Alike! (Life Science) Explores how and why offspring resembles its parents.	I Look Like My Parents (Life Science) Explores how traits are inherited from parents.	Like Father, Like Son (Life Science) Looks at how traits and characteristics are passed on through DNA.