

Amador County Unified School District
Macmillan/McGraw-Hill 2008-2009 Pacing Calendar –
Third Grade



Life Science

Chapter 1: Adaptations in Land Environments

Literature: Giant Sequoias

Lesson 1: Living Things and Their Needs

Inquiry Skill Builder: Compare and Classify

Lesson 2: Life in the Desert

Inquiry Investigation

Lesson 3: Life in the Grassland

Reading in Science

Lesson 4: Life in the Forest

Inquiry Investigation

Lesson 5: Life in the Arctic Tundra

Writing in Science

Math in Science

Chapter 1 Review and Assessment

Chapter 2: Adaptations in Water Environments

Literature: Dragons of the Sea

Lesson 1: The Water Planet

Inquiry Skills Builder: Predict

Lesson 2: Life in an Ocean

Inquiry Investigation

Lesson 3: Life in the Wetlands

Reading in Science

Writing in Science

Math in Science

Chapter 2 Review and Assessment

Chapter 3: Environments Change

Literature: Can We Save the Peregrine Falcon?

Lesson 1: Living Things Change Their Environment

Inquiry Skill Builder: Record Data

Lesson 2: Changes Affect Living Things

Inquiry Investigation

Lesson 3: Living Things of the Past

Reading in Science

Writing in Science

Math in Science

Chapter 3 Review and Assessment

Ranger Rick: Once Upon a Woodpecker

Careers in Science

Pacing August 18 – November 14

Earth Science

Chapter 4: Our Earth, Sun, and Moon

Literature: The Sun and the Moon

Lesson 1: Day and Night

Inquiry Skill Builder: Analyze Data

Lesson 2: The Seasons

Writing in Science

Math in Science

Lesson 3: The Moon

Inquiry Investigation

Chapter 4 Review and Assessment

Chapter 5: Our Solar System

Literature: The Space and Back

Lesson 1: The Sun and Its Planets

Inquiry Skills Builder: Observe

Lesson 2: Telescopes: Discovering the Solar System

Inquiry Investigation

Lesson 3: The Stars

Reading in Science

Writing in Science

Math in Science

Chapter 5 Review and Assessment

Ranger Rick: What a Difference Day Length Makes

Careers in Science

Pacing: November 17 – February 27

Physical Science

Chapter 6: Matter

Literature: Freezing Rain

Lesson 1: Solids, Liquids, and Gases

Inquiry Skill Builder: Measure

Lesson 2: Building Blocks of Matter

Reading in Science

Writing in Science

Math in Science

Lesson 3: Changing Matter

Inquiry Investigation

Chapter 6 Review and Assessment

Chapter 7: Energy

Literature: Wind Power

Lesson 1: Energy All Around

Inquiry Skills Builder: Draw Conclusions

Lesson 2: Using Energy

Reading in Science

Writing in Science

Math in Science

Lesson 3: Energy on the Move

Inquiry Investigation

Chapter 7 Review and Assessment

Chapter 8 Light

Literature: Crystal Vision

Lesson 1: How Light Moves

Inquiry Skills Builder: Experiment

Lesson 2: Seeing Light and Color

Reading in Science

Inquiry Investigation

Lesson 3: Shadows

Writing in Science

Math in Science

Chapter 8 Review and Assessment

Ranger Rick: The Shocking Story of Electric Eels

Careers in Science

Pacing: March 2 – May 29