

6th Grade

September – October	October – November	November - December	January – February	March - April	May – June
Who We Are An inquiry into the nature of self; beliefs and values; personal, physical, mental, social and spiritual health; human relationships including families, friends, communities, and cultures; rights and responsibilities; what it means to be human.	Where We Are in Place and Time An inquiry into orientation in place and time; personal histories; homes and journeys; the discoveries, explorations and migrations of humankind; the relationships between and the interconnectedness of individuals and civilizations, from local and global perspectives.	How We Express Ourselves An inquiry into the ways in which we discover and express ideas, feelings, nature, culture, beliefs and values; the ways in which we reflect on, extend and enjoy our creativity; our appreciation of the aesthetic.	How the World Works An inquiry into the natural world and its law; the interaction between the natural world (physical and biological) and human societies; how humans use their understanding of scientific principles; the impact of scientific and technological advances on society and on the environment.	How We Organize Ourselves An inquiry into the interconnectedness of human-made systems and communities; the structure and function of organizations; societal decision-making; economic activities and their impact on humankind and the environment.	Sharing The Planet An inquiry into the rights and responsibilities in the struggle to share finite resources with other people and with other living things; communities and the relationships within and between them; access to equal opportunities; peace and conflict resolution.
Focus on: ELA, SS, Math Central Idea: Consider complex character traits, to investigate how setting shapes characters, and to analyze how	Focus on: SS, ELA Central Idea: Society changes as consequences of human development and/or environmental change.	Focus on: SS, ELA Central Idea: Classical civilizations share many characteristics and continue to influence modern life.	Focus on: Science, ELA Central Idea: Energy is essential for life and all other processes on Earth.	Focus on: SS, ELA Central Idea: World religions are both similar and different. Religion plays a role in the world today.	Focus on: SS, ELA Central Idea: Geography determines and influences history. Interactions between civilizations inevitably bring positive results.

characters are vehicles for themes.					
<u>Key Concepts:</u> - Form - Change - Connection - Perspective	<u>Key Concepts:</u> - Form - Causation - Responsibility - Change	<u>Key Concepts:</u> - Function - Causation - Connection - Reflection	<u>Key Concepts:</u> - Form - Connection - Causation - Perspective	<u>Key Concepts:</u> - Causation - Responsibility - Reflection - Connection	
<u>Related Key Concepts:</u> - Differences - Transformation - Relationships - Beliefs	<u>Related Key Concepts:</u> - Interdependence - Justice - Adaptation - Systems	<u>Related Key Concepts:</u> - Systems - Impact - Relationships - Evidence	<u>Related Key Concepts:</u> - Similarities - System - Impact - Beliefs	<u>Related Key Concepts:</u> - Impacts - Citizenship - Evidence - Interdependence	
<u>Lines of Inquiry:</u> - Human relationships as it relates to setting and innate characteristics. - Human adaptations to society and the impact of immigration and migration. - Cultural influence on beliefs and values. - Overcoming obstacles in daily life.	<u>Lines of Inquiry:</u> - Human beings developed from the Paleolithic Age to the Neolithic Age as they interacted with their environment and developed new forms of society. - Archeologists can use tools to draw conclusions from sites where early man resided. - Artifacts tell us a great deal	<u>Lines of Inquiry:</u> - Ancient Civilizations created a foundation for society today. - Laws and structures from the past positively impacted the world. - Geographic factors impact the development of civilizations.	<u>Lines of Inquiry:</u> - The major world religions (belief systems) share many similarities yet have differences - Religions (belief systems) are based on a set of mutually held values - Religion has influenced the daily lives and outlook of many peoples throughout history - World religions continue to play a significant role in our world today	<u>Lines of Inquiry:</u> - Trade networks promoted the exchange and diffusion of language, belief systems, tools, intellectual ideas, inventions, and diseases. - Pivotal events in history have promoted the interaction of people and the blending of cultures. - Complex societies and civilizations adapt and design technologies that ensure adaptation to the	

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