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Topic 1 (30 days) – Motion and Force

Topic 2 (20 days) – Electricity and Magnetism

Unit Overview: In this unit students will learn how to identify forces that affect motion. Students will study patterns in motion and conduct investigations that will allow them to predict the path of an object's motion. Students will then learn about the causes of electric and magnetic forces. Students will explore how electrically charged objects behave and interact with one another. Students will learn about magnetic objects, magnetic fields, and strength of magnetic forces. Practical applications related to electricity and magnetism will then be applied.

Unit 1 NYSSLS Performance Expectations (PE)

3-PS2-1. Plan and conduct an investigation to provide evidence of the effects of balanced and unbalanced forces on the motion of an object. [Clarification Statement: Examples could include an unbalanced force on one side of an object can make it start moving; and, balanced forces (including friction) acting on a stationary object from both sides will not produce any motion at all.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment is limited to one variable at a time: number, size, or direction of forces. Assessment does not include quantitative force size, only qualitative and relative. Assessment is limited to gravity being addressed as a force that pulls objects down.]

3-PS2-2. Make observations and/or measurements of an object's motion to provide evidence that a pattern can be used to predict future motion. [Clarification Statement: Examples of motion with a predictable pattern could include a child swinging in a swing, a ball rolling back and forth in a bowl, and two children on a see-saw.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment does not include technical terms such as period and frequency.]

3-PS2-3. Ask questions to determine cause and effect relationships of electric or magnetic interactions between two objects not in contact with each other. [Clarification Statement: Examples of an electric force could include the force on hair from an electrically charged balloon and the electrical forces between a charged rod and pieces of paper; examples of a magnetic force could include the force between two permanent magnets, the force between an electromagnet and steel paper clips, and the force exerted by one magnet versus the force exerted by two magnets. Examples of cause and effect relationships could include how the distance between objects affects strength of the force and how the orientation of magnets affects the direction of the magnetic force.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment is limited to forces produced by objects that can be manipulated by students, and electrical interactions are limited to static electricity.]

3-PS2-4. Define a simple design problem that can be solved by applying scientific ideas about magnets.* [Clarification Statement: Examples of problems could include constructing a latch to keep a door shut and creating a device to keep two moving objects from touching each other.]

3-5-ETS1-2. Generate and compare multiple possible solutions to a problem based on how well each is likely to meet the criteria and constraints of the problem.

3-5-ETS1-1. Define a simple design problem reflecting a need or a want that includes specified criteria for success and constraints on materials, time, or cost.

3-5-ETS1-3. Plan and carry out fair tests in which variables are controlled and failure points are considered to identify aspects of a model or prototype that can be improved.

Unit 1 NYSSLS Science and Engineering Practices (SEP)

- Planning and Carrying Out Investigations
- Asking questions and Defining Problems

Unit 1 NYSSLS Disciplinary Core Ideas (DCI)

PS2.A: Forces and Motion

- Each force acts on one particular object and has both strength and a direction. An object at rest typically has multiple forces acting on it, but they add to give zero net force on the object. Forces that do not sum to zero can cause changes in the object's speed or direction of motion. (Boundary: Qualitative and conceptual, but not quantitative addition of forces are used at this level.) (3-PS2-1)
- The patterns of an object's motion in various situations can be observed and measured; when that past motion exhibits a regular pattern, future motion can be predicted from it. (Boundary: Technical terms, such as magnitude, velocity, momentum, and vector quantity, are not introduced at this level, but the concept that some quantities need both size and direction to be described is developed.) (3-PS2-2)

PS2.B: Types of Interactions

- Objects in contact exert forces on each other. (3-PS2-1)
- Electric and magnetic forces between a pair of objects do not require that the objects be in contact. The sizes of the forces in each situation depend on the properties of the objects and their distances apart and, for forces between two magnets, on their orientation relative to each other. (3-PS2-3),(3-PS2-4)

ETS1.A: Defining and Delimiting Engineering Problems

- Possible solutions to a problem are limited by available materials and resources (constraints). The success of a designed solution is determined by considering the desired features of a solution (criteria). Different proposals for solutions can be compared on the basis of how well each one meets the specified criteria for success or how well each takes the constraints into account. (3-5-ETS1-1)

ETS1.B: Developing Possible Solutions

- Research on a problem should be carried out before beginning to design a solution. Testing a solution involves investigating how well it performs under a range of likely conditions. (3-5-ETS1-2)
- At whatever stage, communicating with peers about proposed solutions is an important part of the design process, and shared ideas can lead to improved designs. (3-5-ETS1-2)

Unit 1 NYSSLS Cross Cutting Concepts (CCC)

- Cause and Effect
- Patterns

Resources

- Savvas Elevate Science Book NY Edition Grade 3 Topics 1-2
- Savvas Easybridge (access via BPS Staff Resources or Clever)
- Savvas Lab materials
- <http://ngss.nsta.org/Classroom-Resources.aspx>

Measurement of Student Learning

- Lesson Quiz
- Topic Assessment and Remediation
- Evidence-Based Assessment
- Quest Rubrics
- Exam view Assessment

Savvas Elevate Science Supports

- Topic Differentiated Instruction in TE
- Topic Remediation Summary in TE
- ELL Support in TE
- ELL Vocabulary Support in TE

English Language Learners (ELL) Enhancements

To access [hyperlinked](#) material, you must be logged into your BPS Google Drive

Listening

- **Cross- Linguistic Practices**: Gives students opportunities to make connections between what they hear and their home language (For example, allow students to listen to a passage and identify cognates).
- **Activating Prior Knowledge** Activating prior knowledge means both eliciting from students what they already know and building initial knowledge that they need in order to access upcoming content.
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- **Visuals** - GIFs, pictures- will assist students in understanding what they are listening to. Use **visual thinking strategies** to set the lens for learning.
- Video to review or introduce a topic – use **closed captioning** to help students see the words and pronunciations while they listen to the content.
- **Word stretching / Vowel stretching** when instructing allows student to listen closely to the pronunciation of the word.
- **Performance Level Descriptors** this document provides teachers with a description of what output they can expect from students based on earned NYSESLAT levels in the modality of listening. Scroll for grade 3.

Speaking

- **Sentence Stems/Frames** - to begin a sentence - such as *Evolution is...* or *I think that evolution is...*
- **Academic Conversation Starters**: Have a visual of a list of academic sentence starters that students can refer to in a discussion.
- **Choral Reading** - To build fluency, self-confidence and motivation with **reading/speaking**.
- Create **movement** to go with the word. Movement can be a motivating factor, as well as a kinesthetic tool for conceptualizing the rhythm and flow of fluent reading while triggering brain function for optimal learning.
- **Performance Level Descriptors** This document provides teachers with a description of what output they can expect from students based on earned NYSESLAT levels in the modality of speaking. Scroll for grade 3.

Reading

- **Supplementary Text** to help reinforce concepts.
- **Visual Aids** - Pictures or models to support vocabulary words and concepts
- Video to review or introduce a topic - use **closed captioning** to help students read along while they listen to the content.
- **4 Square / Frayer models** to help students gain a deeper understanding of vocabulary.
- **Highlighting** important text to assist students in answering questions after the reading.
- **Chunking**-Break reading of text into chunks or paragraphs
- **Performance Level Descriptors** this document provides teachers with a description of what output they can expect from students based on earned NYSESLAT levels in the modality of reading. Scroll for grade 3.
- **Vocabulary Morphology**- Morphology relates to the segmenting of words into affixes (prefixes and suffixes) and roots or base words, and the origins of words. Understanding that words connected by meaning can be connected by spelling can be critical to expanding a student’s vocabulary.

	<p><u>Instructional Accommodations (depending on the student’s needs)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Extended time for tests in class, projects and assignments ● Directions read. Broken down as necessary ● Model how to complete the activity in the lesson ● Oral simplification of directions or questions ● Translated version of test when available. Student may have both version English and native language version ● Use of approved bilingual glossaries from NYS in each subject
<p>Special Education Modifications Special Education students must have accommodations as per Individual Educational Plan (IEP)</p>	<p><u>Instructional</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pre-teach vocabulary ● Use picture vocabulary ● Scaffold Depth of Knowledge questions ● Provide copy of notes/notes in “cloze” form ● Use of Think, Pair, and Share strategy to help process information ● Scaffold written assignments with the use of graphic organizers ● Allow for multiple ways to respond (verbal, written, response board) ● Provide model of performance task ● Modify informational text to fit the needs of the students ● Provide a digital or paper interactive notebook ● Present complex tasks in multiple ways ● Provide mnemonic strategies for scientific concepts <hr/> <p><u>Technology:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Audio reading of text ● Text to type functions ● Videos to clarify/visualize science concepts ● Record class lecture/discussions and make accessible to student ● Nearpod- interactive presentations of notes <hr/> <p><u>In Class Assessments</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide multiple options for projects ● Use of timer in class ● Break all complex tasks into chunks
<p>Step Up to Writing Materials can be found in BPS Science K-12 Schoology Folder Grade 3 Resources Grade 3 SUTW materials</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Breaking Down Definitions ● Four-Step Summary Paragraph ● Sketch Then Write Responses ● Traffic Light colors for Informative/Explanatory Paragraphs ● Performance Level Descriptors this document provides teachers with a description of what output they can expect from students based on earned NYSESLAT levels in the modality of writing. Scroll for grade 3.

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Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Teaching (CLRT) in the Science Classroom	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Materials, resources, and/or discussions address diverse cultural backgrounds and real-world applications• Artifacts (posters, charts, etc.) in the science classroom are representative of the cultures of the student population• All students are given an opportunity to engage in science discourse• Teacher demonstrates high expectations for all students
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