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Minnesota Academic Standards
Science
Grade 6

CONTENT STANDARD	MN.I.A.	History and Nature of Science: Scientific World View: The student will understand that science is a way of knowing about the world that is characterized by empirical criteria, logical argument and skeptical review.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.A.1.	<p>The student will distinguish between scientific evidence and personal opinion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig • Teacher Resource CD: Fossils and Geologic Time • Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.A.2.	<p>The student will explain why scientists often repeat investigations to be sure of the results.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig • Teacher Resource CD: Fossils and Geologic Time

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.A.3.	<p>The student will recognize that scientists assume that the laws of nature are the same everywhere and that they are understandable and predictable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig • Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.A.4.	<p>The student will define scientific facts, laws and theories.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea

CONTENT STANDARD	MN.I.B.	History and Nature of Science: Scientific Inquiry: The student will understand that scientific inquiry is used in systematic ways to investigate the natural world.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.B.1.	<p>The student will identify questions that can be answered through scientific investigation and those that cannot.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig • Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.B.2.	<p>The student will distinguish among observation, prediction and inference.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock

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PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.B.3.	<p>The student will use appropriate tools and Systeme International (SI) units for measuring length, time, mass, volume and temperature with suitable precision and accuracy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.B.4.	<p>The student will present and explain data and findings from controlled experiments using multiple representations including tables, graphs, physical models and demonstrations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle

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CONTENT STANDARD	MN.I.C.	History and Nature of Science: Scientific Enterprise: The student will know that science and technology are human efforts that both influence and are influenced by society.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.C.2.	<p>The student will explain why scientists may work in teams or work alone can collaborate and, at times, compete.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.II.A.	Physical Science: Structure of Matter: The student will understand that matter is made of small particles and this explains the properties of matter.

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	II.A.5.	The student will distinguish between volume, mass and density. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	II.A.6.	The student will use the characteristic properties of density, melting point, boiling point and solubility to identify and distinguish mixtures and pure substances. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.II.B.	Physical Science: Chemical Reactions: The student will differentiate between chemical and physical changes.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	II.B.1.	The student will define chemical and physical changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	II.B.2.	The student will observe that substances react chemically with other substances to form new substances with different characteristic properties. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	II.B.3.	The student will give examples and classify substances as mixtures or pure substances. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.II.C.	Physical Science: Energy Transformations: The student will understand that energy exists in many forms and can be transferred in many ways.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	II.C.2.	The student will recognize that heat is transferred by convection, conduction and radiation from warmer objects to cooler ones until both

		<p>reach the same temperature.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	II.C.6.	<p>The student will recognize that vibrations such as sound and earthquakes move in waves and that waves move at different speeds in different materials.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes

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Grade 7**

CONTENT STANDARD	MN.I.A.	History and Nature of Science: Scientific World View: The student will understand that science is a way of knowing about the world that is characterized by empirical criteria, logical argument and skeptical review.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.A.1.	<p>The student will recognize how scientific knowledge is subject to change as new evidence becomes available, or as new theories cause scientists to look at old observations differently.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.A.2.	<p>The student will explain natural phenomena by using appropriate physical, conceptual and mathematical models.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.I.B.	History and Nature of Science: Scientific Inquiry: The student will design and conduct scientific investigations.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.B.3.	The student will write a specific step-by-step procedure for a scientific

		<p>investigation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig • Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
<p>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR</p>	<p>I.B.4.</p>	<p>The student will explain how classroom scientific investigations relate to established scientific principles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization

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CONTENT STANDARD	MN.IV.E.	Life Science: Biological Populations Change Over Time: The student will understand how biological evolution provides a scientific explanation for the fossil record of ancient life forms, as well as for the striking similarities observed among the diverse species of living organisms.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	IV.E.2.	<p>The student will describe how the fossil record documents the appearance and diversification of many life forms.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Teacher Resource CD: Fossils and Geologic Time
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	IV.E.4.	The student will recognize that scientific evidence can be used to infer common ancestry among some organisms.

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CONTENT STANDARD	MN.I.A.	History and Nature of Science: Scientific World View: The student will understand that science is a way of knowing about the world that is characterized by empirical criteria, logical argument and skeptical review.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.A.2.	<p>The student will explain the development, usefulness and limitations of scientific models in the explanation and prediction of natural phenomena.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig

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CONTENT STANDARD	MN.I.B.	History and Nature of Science: Scientific Inquiry: The student will understand that scientific inquiry is used by scientists to investigate the natural world in systematic ways.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.B.1.	<p>The student will know that scientific investigations involve the common elements of systematic observations, the careful collection of relevant evidence, logical reasoning and innovation in developing hypotheses and explanations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig Teacher Resource CD: Fossils and Geologic Time Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
PERFORMANCE	I.B.2.	The student will describe how scientists can conduct investigations in a

INDICATOR		<p>simple system and make generalizations to more complex systems.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig • Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes • Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.I.B.	History and Nature of Science: Scientific Inquiry: The student will use multiple skills to design and conduct scientific investigations.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.B.2.	<p>The student will use sufficient trials and adequate sample size to ensure reliable data.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock

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<p>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR</p>	<p>I.B.3.</p>	<p>The student will use appropriate technology and mathematics skills to access, gather, store, retrieve and organize data.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic

		<p>Rocks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig • Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.I.D.	History and Nature of Science: Historic Perspectives: The student will understand how scientific discovery, culture, societal norms and technology have influence done another in different time periods.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.D.1.	<p>The student will relate personal experiences in scientific investigation to the experiences of scientists throughout history.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.III.A.	Earth and Space Science: Earth Structure and Processes: The student will identify Earth's composition, structure and processes.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	III.A.1.	<p>The student will explain how earthquakes, volcanoes, sea-floor spreading and mountain building are evidence of the movement of crustal plates.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	III.A.2.	<p>The student will describe how features on the Earth's surface are created and constantly changing through a combination of slow and rapid processes of weathering, erosion, sediment deposition, landslides, volcanic eruptions and earthquakes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	III.A.3.	<p>The student will describe the various processes and interactions of the rock cycle.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	III.A.4.	<p>The student will interpret successive layers of sedimentary rocks and their fossils to document the age and history of the Earth.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig Teacher Resource CD: Fossils and Geologic Time
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	III.A.5.	<p>The student will recognize that constructive and destructive Earth processes can affect the evidence of Earth's history.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Teacher Resource CD: Fossils and Geologic Time • Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	III.A.6.	<p>The student will classify and identify rocks and minerals using characteristics including but not limited to density, hardness and streak.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig • Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes • Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.III.B.	Earth and Space Science: The Water Cycle, Weather and Climate: The student will investigate how the atmosphere interacts with the Earth system.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	III.B.4.	<p>The student will collect and use data to predict the weather.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig • Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
<p>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR</p>	<p>III.B.6.</p>	<p>The student will describe climate changes that have occurred over time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig • Teacher Resource CD: Fossils and Geologic Time

CONTENT STANDARD	MN.1.A.	History and Nature of Science: Scientific World View: The student will understand the nature of scientific ways of thinking and that scientific knowledge changes and accumulates over time.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.A.1.	<p>The student will be able to distinguish among hypothesis, theory and law as scientific terms and how they are used to answer a specific question.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.A.2.	<p>The student will be able to explain how scientific and technological innovations as well as new evidence can challenge portions of or entire accepted theories and models including but not limited to cell theory, atomic theory, theory of evolution, plate tectonic theory, germ theory of disease and big bang theory.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.A.3.	<p>The student will recognize that in order to be valid, scientific knowledge must meet certain criteria including that it: be consistent with experimental, observational and inferential evidence about nature; follow rules of logic and reporting both methods and procedures; and, be falsifiable and open to criticism.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig • Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.A.4.	<p>The student will explain how traditions of ethics, peer review, conflict and general consensus influences the conduct of science.5.The student will recognize that some scientific ideas are incomplete, and opportunity exists in these areas for new advances.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.I.B.	History and Nature of Science: Scientific Inquiry: The student will design and conduct a scientific investigation.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.B.1.	<p>The student will design and complete a scientific experiment using scientific methods by determining a testable question, making a hypothesis, designing a scientific investigation with appropriate controls, analyzing data, making conclusions based on evidence and comparing conclusions to the original hypothesis and prior knowledge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig • Teacher Resource CD: Fossils and Geologic Time • Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
<p>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR</p>	<p>I.B.2.</p>	<p>The student will distinguish between qualitative and quantitative data.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical

		<p>Weathering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig • Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
<p>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR</p>	<p>I.B.3.</p>	<p>The student will apply mathematics and models to analyze data and support conclusions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.B.4.	<p>The student will identify possible sources of error and their effects on results.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.B.6.	<p>The student will give examples of how different domains of science use different bodies of scientific knowledge and employ different methods to investigate questions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teacher Resource CD: Fossils and Geologic Time
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.I.D.	History and Nature of Science: Historic Perspectives: The student will recognize the historical and cultural context of scientific endeavors and how they influence each other.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.D.1.	<p>The student will be able to trace the development of a scientific advancement, invention or theory and its impact on society.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	I.D.3.	<p>The student will compare and contrast the differences between scientific theories and theories from other bodies of knowledge, and the importance of each in a science discussion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 2: Sedimentary Rocks Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 3: Metamorphic Rocks Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 1: Identifying Mineral Color Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 2: Mineral Luster Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 3: The Streak of a Mineral Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 4: Testing the Hardness of a Mineral Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 5: Cleavage and Fracture Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 3 Activity 6: Specific Gravity Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Horizons Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pangaea Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.II.A.	Physical Science: Structure of Matter: The student will understand the nature of matter including its forms, properties and interactions.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	II.A.6.	<p>The student will be able to explain how atoms form compounds through bonding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	II.A.9.	<p>The student will differentiate between an element and compound.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Virtual Laboratory: Mineral Identification
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.II.B.	Physical Science: Structure of Matter: Chemical Reactions: The student will describe chemical reactions and the factors that influence them.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	II.B.1.	<p>The student will describe chemical reactions using words and symbolic equations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	II.B.2.	<p>The student will explain the influence of temperature, surface area, agitation and catalysts on the rate of a reaction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	II.B.3.	<p>The student will distinguish between a chemical reaction and a nuclear reaction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical

		<p>Weathering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.II.C.	Physical Science: Energy Transformations: The student will understand energy forms, transformations and transfers.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	II.C.5.	<p>The student will be able to describe physical and chemical changes in terms of the law of conservation of energy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 2: Chemical Analysis of Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 3: Using the Flame Test to Identify Unknown Mineral Samples • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.III.A.	Earth and Space Science: Earth Structure and Processes: The student will understand that the interactions of the atmosphere, biosphere, lithosphere, hydrosphere and space have resulted in ongoing change of the Earth system over geologic time.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	III.A.3.	<p>The student will illustrate how biological processes have played significant roles in determining the character of the atmosphere, biosphere, hydrosphere and lithosphere over time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification • Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea • Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig • Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	IIIA.4.	<p>The student will use the theory of plate tectonics to analyze relationships among earthquakes, volcanoes, mountains fossil deposits, rock layers and ocean features.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 3: Effects of Heat and Pressure on Rock Layers • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	III.A.5.	<p>The student will describe how glaciers, gravity, wind, temperature changes, waves and rivers cause weathering and erosion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 1: Mechanical Weathering Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 6 Activity 2: Chemical Weathering Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	III.A.6.	<p>The student will describe the rock cycle and compare and contrast the processes responsible for the formation of igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 4: Crystallization Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Igneous Rocks Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	III.A.7.	<p>The student will use evidence found in fossils, rock layers, ice cores, radiometric dating and globally gathered data to explain how Earth has changed over short and long periods of time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 2: Creating a Sedimentary Rock Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 1: Fossils and Geologic Time Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 2: Fossil Sorting and Identification Earth Resources: Unit 3 Lab 5 Activity 3: Fossil Formation - Preparing Molds and Casts Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 8 Activity 1: Recreating Pangaea Earth Resources: Unit 5 Lab 9 Activity 1: Geology Dig Teacher Resource CD: Fossils and Geologic Time Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.III.B.	Earth and Space Science: The Water Cycle, Weather and Climate: The student will explain the causes and effects of the Earth's atmospheric and hydrologic processes.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	III.B.2.	<p>The student will trace the cyclical movement of carbon and water through the lithosphere, hydrosphere, atmosphere and biosphere.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.IV.B.	Life Sciences: Diversity of Organisms: The student will classify, compare and contrast the diversity of organisms on Earth and their

		modes of accommodating the requirements for life.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	IV.B.1.	The student will relate the structure, complexity and organization of organ systems to the methods of obtaining, transforming, releasing and eliminating the matter and energy used to sustain the organism. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 4 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Structure
CONTENT STANDARD	MN.IV.F.	Life Sciences: Flow of Matter and Energy: The student will describe and explain the cycling of matter and flow of energy through an ecosystem's living and non-living components.
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	IV.F.1.	The student will explain the relationship between abiotic and biotic components of an ecosystem in terms of the cycling of water, carbon, oxygen and nitrogen. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Resources: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: The Rock Cycle • Earth Resources: Unit 2 Lab 4 Activity 1: Idiochromatic and Allochromatic Minerals • Teacher Resource CD: Rocks, Minerals, and Earth Processes

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