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General Information:

- 2nd Quarter begins 11/4 (limited class changes possible-internal only)
- Report Cards will be available on PowerSchool next week on Friday 11/8 in the evening.
- Picture Retake day: Wednesday 11/6
- It's going to get cold outside: warm clothing for recess
- Supplies: Check in on student supplies ie. pencil supplies, broken binders



November-December - Holiday Bear Project

- Look for email with Sign Up Genius for opportunities for donations
- Students will wrap on 12/3 (all donations due by then)

December- PTA Holiday Gift Card Drive





Digital Assignment book



Classwork and materials



Grades and mis sing assignments

School-Home Connection

Digital Habits

- Have all passwords for all accounts
- Homework never requires use of a phone!
- Phones/tablets/computers out of bedrooms at night
- Monitor technology and social media usage they are aware,
 but need still need some guidance

Connections Activities

Mindfulness



Where We've Been in Math 6 ...

Foundational Skills

- Multiplication Facts
- Divisibility Rules
- Prime Factorization
- Greatest Common Factor and Least Common Multiple

Integer and Rational Number Concepts

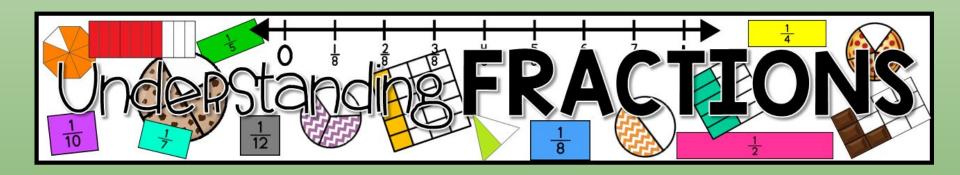
- Positive and Negative Numbers on number line
- Opposite Numbers and Absolute Value
- Statements of Inequality
- Ordering Integers and Rational Numbers
- Real-world problems



Where We Are in Math 6...

Fraction Operations

- Conceptual representations of all operations
- Unit focus on division of fractions and mixed numbers
- Real-World Problems with all operations of fractions and mixed numbers



Where We Are Going in Math 6...

- Multi-digit Decimal Operations
- Ratios and Unit Rates
- Applying Ratios and Rates to Measurement
- Understanding and Applying Percents
- Algebraic Expressions, Equations and Inequalities



Where We've Been in Math 6/7...

Foundational Skills

- Multiplication Facts
- Divisibility Rules
- Prime Factorization
- Greatest Common Factor and Least Common Multiple

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- Positive and Negative Numbers on number line
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- Statements of Inequality
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Fraction Operations

- Conceptual representations of all operations
- Unit focus on division of fractions & mixed numbers
- Real-World Problems with all operations of fractions & mixed numbers

Where We Are in Math 6/7...

Multi-Digit Decimal Operations

- Conceptual representations of all operations
- Algorithms for adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing decimals
- Real-World Problems with all operations of decimals

Where We Are Going in Math 6/7...

- Adding and Subtracting Rational Numbers
- Multiplying and Dividing Rational Numbers
- Multi-step problems of Rational Numbers in context
- Algebraic Expressions, Equations and Inequalities



Don't forget about all the resources posted on the <u>Bitmoji pages</u>

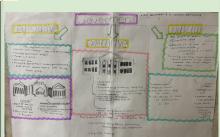
- Class notes
- Digital copies of worksheets/handouts
- Answer keys
- Daily Assignments
- Upcoming assessment info
- Optional Review Choice Boards







Branches





Units of Study

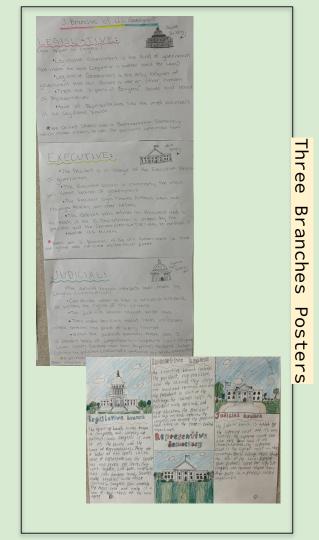
Foundations of SS

US Democracy and Elections

Africa: West & Central

Western Europe

China and its Neighbors



Unit 1

Foundations of Social Studies

Social Sciences

History

Archeology

Anthropology

Economics

Political Science

Psychology

Sociology

Geography



What we've learned so far

-Geography
Map Skills
Physical Features
Natural Resources
"Where you live affects How
you live"

-Cultural Universals
Major World Religions

-History "Who
Owns History"
Timelines
Early Human Civilizations

<u>Upcoming</u>

-Governments & Economics

Upcoming Unit

Africa

CURRENT UNIT:

✓ Social Sciences

Africa: West and

REGIONS OF STUDY:

✓ Culture

Western Europe

✓ History

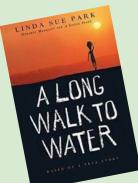
Economics

√ Geography

Government

Central focus

China and its Neighbors





POSSIBLE TOPICS TO COVER

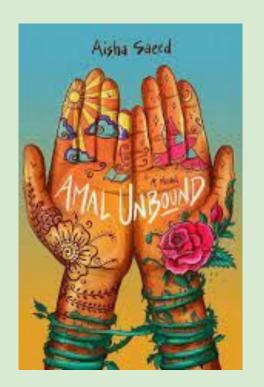
- Possible Read Aloud: A Long Walk to Water, When Stars are Scattered
- Early Humans
- African Safari
- African Cities
- Map and physical features
- Early Trade Empires
- Impacts of Imperialism, Colonialism & Slave Trade
- Independence
- Guns, Germs and Steel
- Geographic Challenges and solutions
- Economic challenges and developments
- **Arab Spring**
- Modern Conflicts
- Project: Political Cartoon
- Inquiry Project
- Cultures of the region

Where We've Been in Language Arts . . .

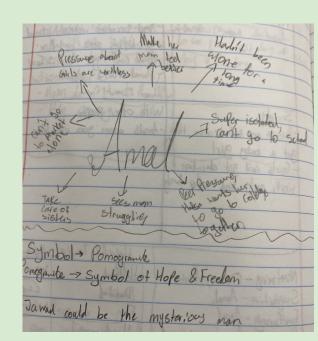
Our First Unit

- Reading Amal Unbound
- Strategies for Analyzing Characters
- Language Study: Precise vocabulary for character traits
- Completed the End of Unit 1 assessment
- Character project
- Writing with text evidence

Reading for Character

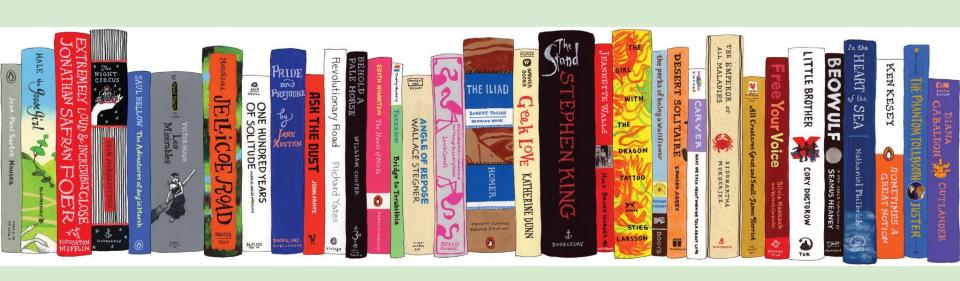






Independent Reading

- 120 minutes a week of reading (between both home & school) in their independent reading books is ongoing goal
- Reading should always be part of the homework routine
- Thank you for your support!



Where we're going . . .

Narrative Writing Unit Starts Next Week

Narrative Writing Strategies

- Here's where you can help:

 **Brainstorm ideas at home!?

 **Ask them: What are you
 writing about? How's it going?
- Brainstorming important moments in their lives
- Each day will focus on a skill throughout the writing process:
 brainstorming, drafting, revising, editing
 - Mini Lessons
 - Using Mentor Texts
 - Independent planning and writing (plus conferencing)
 - Homework = May need follow through (continue to draft, revise, edit)
 - Important to have charged Chromebook daily*

CURRENTLY IN SCIENCE...

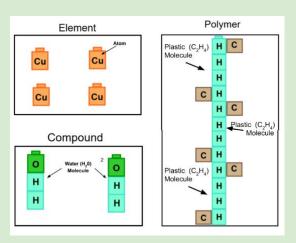
How do humans affect the environment?

- 1. Turtles choose a needed resource
 2. Resources- choose which resource to be
 3. Turtles ONLY WALK FAST (no running)
 4. Turtles tag hands with a matching resource
 5. Don't cheat

 Turtles

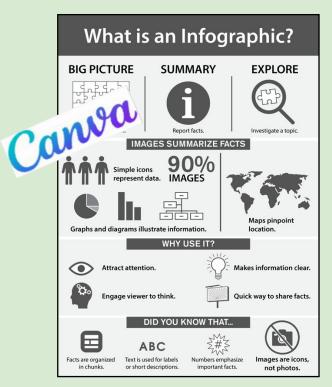
 Turtle Game

 Resources
 FOOD
 SHELTER
 WATER
 SPACE
- 2050 C.E.



- Biology: Habitat needs, resources affecting population size
- Ecology: Human population increases affecting resource use and material production
- Chemistry: Atoms, Elements, Molecules, Compounds, Polymers
 - Chemical and physical changes

CURRENTLY IN SCIENCE...



Final Project

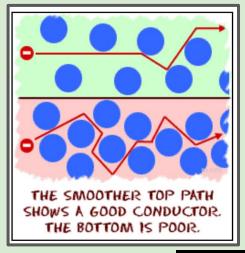
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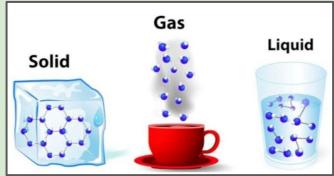


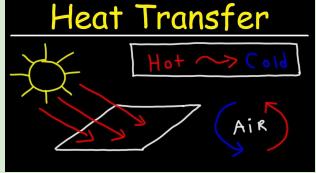
Documentary (Selected scenes)

WHERE WE ARE GOING... Why did the ice melt so fast?









WHERE WE ARE GOING...

Why do some parts of the Earth get more extreme weather than others?





- Earth Science: Meteorology, Air Pressure, Atmosphere, Water Cycle
- Physics/Chemistry: Density, Phase Change (matter), Convection,
 Radiation

Science Current Events





- Connect classroom learning to our daily lives
- Enrich class discussions
- New assignment each week



PowerSchool: A Valuable Communication Tool

Quick Lookup Standards Grades **Attendance By Class** Last Week This Week **Tardies Absences** Exp Course Q2 Q3 Q4 F1 24-24-24-MTWHFMTWHF 25 25 25 LANGUAGE ARTS 6 [i] [i] [i] 93.73 P1(M-W,F) P5(R) P9(M) Pollak, Suzanna - Rm: 263 P1(R) P2(M-T) P4(T,F) MATH 6 P7(W) Boulais, Bernadette - Rm: 261 SCIENCE 6 P2(W-R) P5(T) P7(M) [i] [i] [i] P9(R-F) Smith, Elizabeth - Rm: 264 TLT 6 P2(F) [1] [1] [1] [1] [1] 0 0 Smith, Elizabeth - Rm: TLT ART 6 93.33 [i] [i] [i] 93.33 P3(M-T) 0 Farley, Dineen - Rm: 274 CHORUS 6 P3(W,F) [i] [i] [i] 0 0 Dominguez, Christine - Rm: 280 **ENGINEERING AND DESIGN 6** P3(R) [i] [i] [i] 0 0 Jacob, Hannah - Rm: 167

Click on the grade to see a list of individual assignments with more detail.

12:35 PM



Section Description:

PowerTeacher Pro Assignments

Due Date	Category	Assignment	Flags			Score	%	Gi	from the teacher.
10/28/2024	Assignment	Character Project Planner							teather.
10/21/2024	Assignment	Character Project Selection	②						
10/18/2024	Assignment	Character Long Write				10.5/12	87.5	B+	
10/16/2024	Assignment	Character Analysis Sticky Note Collection 3				7.8/9	86.67	B+	
10/10/2024	Assignment	Popularity Paragraph		0	(3)	📮			View
10/07/2024	Assignment	Character Analysis Sticky Note Collection 2				8.3/9	92.22	A-	
10/01/2024	Assignment	September Reading				2.7/3	90	A-	View
09/30/2024	Assignment	Character Analysis Sticky Note Collection 1				7.8/9	86.67	B+	

















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indicates a

comment



Teacher Comments:

Section Description:

PowerTeacher Pro Assignments

assignment. There may **Due Date** Assignment Flags also be a note saying, Category Score please turn in by 10/28/2024 Assignment Character Project Planner date. 10/21/2024 Assignment Character Project Selection 10.5/12 10/18/2024 Assignment Character Long Write 7.8/9 10/16/2024 Assignment Character Analysis Sticky Note Collection 3 0 View 10/10/2024 Assignment Popularity Paragraph 8.3/9 Assignment Character Analysis Sticky Note 92.22 10/07/2024 A-Collection 2 0 2.7/3 10/01/2024 Assignment September Reading 90 A-View 7.8/9 09/30/2024 Assignment Character Analysis Sticky Note 86.67 B+ Collection 1















Often, when a student is missing work or needs to complete work, there will be a note in PS letting

students know to come

in for extra help to complete or retake an





Happy Halloween!

Future Open Team Dates

1/30/25 @ 1:50

5/1/25 @ 10:54