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HMH Unit	Benchmark/ Standards	
Quarter 1: August 10, 2023- October 11, 2023		
HMH Unit 1: Investigating Questions	SC.3.N.1.1 Raise questions about the natural world, investigate them individually and in teams through free exploration and systematic investigations, and generate appropriate explanations based on those explorations. SC.3.N.1.6 Infer based on observation. SC.3.N.1.7 Explain that empirical evidence is information, such as observations or measurements, that is used to help validate explanations of natural phenomena. SC.3.N.3.1 Recognize that words in science can have different or more specific meanings than their use in everyday language; for example, energy, cell, heat/cold, and evidence. Sc.3.N.3.2 Description	
	Recognize that scientists use models to help understand and explain how things work. <u>SC.3.N.3.3</u> Recognize that all models are approximations of natural phenomena; as such, they do not perfectly account for all observations.	
Quarter 2: October 12, 2023- December 22, 2023		
HMH Unit 3: Earth and Stars HMH Unit 4: Properties of	SC.3.E.5.1 Explain that stars can be different; some are smaller, some are larger, and some appear brighter than others; all except the Sun are so far away that they look like points of light. SC.3.E.5.2 Identify the Sun as a star that emits energy; some of it in the form of light.	
Matter	SC.3.E.5.3 Recognize that the Sun appears large and bright because it is the closest star to Earth. SC.3.E.5.4 Explore the Law of Gravity by demonstrating that gravity is a force that can be overcome. SC.3.E.6.1 Demonstrate that radiant energy from the Sun can heat objects and when the Sun is not present, heat may be lost. SC.3.P.8.1	
	Measure and compare temperatures of various samples of solids and liquids. SC.3.P.8.2	

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	Measure and compare the mass and volume of solids and liquids.	
	SC.3.P.8.3	
	Compare materials and objects according to properties such as size, shape, color, texture, and hardness. SC.3.P.9.1	
	Describe the changes water undergoes when it changes state through heating and cooling by using familiar scientific terms	
	such as melting, freezing, boiling, evaporation, and condensation.	
	Unit also reinforces	
	<u>SC.3.N.1.1</u> SC.3.N.1.2	
	<u>SC.3.N.1.6</u>	
	SC.3.N.1.7	
Quarter 3: January 6, 2024- March 14, 2024		
HMH Unit 5:	<u>SC.3.P.10.1</u>	
Forms of Energy	Identify some basic forms of energy such as light, heat, sound, electrical, and mechanical.	
	<u>SC.3.P.10.2</u>	
HMH Unit 6:	Recognize that energy has the ability to cause motion or create change.	
Heat Sources	<u>SC.3.P.10.3</u>	
HMH Unit 7:	Demonstrate that light travels in a straight line until it strikes an object or travels from one medium to another.	
Plants and the	SC.3.P.10.4	
Environment	Demonstrate that light can be reflected, refracted, and absorbed. SC.3.P.11.1	
LINIOIIIIEII	Investigate, observe, and explain that things that give off light often also give off heat.	
	SC.3.P.11.2	
	Investigate, observe, and explain that heat is produced when one object rubs against another, such as rubbing one's hands	
	together.	
	<u>SC.3.L.14.1</u>	
	Describe structures in plants and their roles in food production, support, water and nutrient transport, and reproduction.	
	<u>SC.3.L.14.2</u>	
	Investigate and describe how plants respond to stimuli (heat, light, gravity), such as the way plant stems grow toward light	
	and their roots grow downward in response to gravity.	
	Unit also reinforces	
	<u>SC.3.N.1.1</u>	
	<u>SC.3.N.1.2</u>	
	<u>SC.3.N.1.6</u> SC.3.N.1.7	
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HMH Unit 8:	<u>SC.3.L.15.1</u>
Classifying Plants	Classify animals into major groups (mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish, arthropods, vertebrates and invertebrates,
and Animals	those having live births and those which lay eggs) according to their physical characteristics and behaviors.
	<u>SC.3.L.15.2</u>
HMH Unit 9:	Classify flowering and nonflowering plants into major groups such as those that produce seeds, or those like ferns and
Living Things	mosses that produce spores, according to their physical characteristics. SC.3.L.17.1
Change	Describe how animals and plants respond to changing seasons.
	SC.3.L.17.2
	Recognize that plants use energy from the Sun, air, and water to make their own food.
	Unit also reinforces
	<u>SC.3.N.1.1</u>
	<u>SC.3.N.1.3</u> <u>SC.3.N.1.4</u>
	SC.3.N.1.6
	SC.3.N.1.7
	<u>SC.3.N.3.2</u>