

Grade	Who We Are	Where We Are in Place and Time	How We Express Ourselves	How the World Works	How We Organize Ourselves	Sharing the Planet
PK	Friendship helps us grow. - What friends do together - How friends talk to each other - Sharing and taking turns - Who am I? (Identity) Form Function Responsibility		We show our feelings in many ways. - Recognizing feelings in yourself - Strategies for self-regulation - Cause and effect of actions and feelings - Problem Solving Causation Perspective Responsibility	We learn about the world through questions and play. - Patterns - Observation skills - Asking questions and making predictions Form Causation Change	Communities can help keep us safe. - Collaborative agreements - Shared spaces - Roles in the community Form Function Responsibility	
K	Similarities and differences impact connections. - Windows and mirrors - Advocacy—how to take action by interrupting - Comparing and contrasting Connection Perspective Change		Sharing and listening can help us learn. - Feelings - Perspective - Problem solving Perspective Connection Change		Systems help communities. - Caring for the collective - Your body: needs and wants - Classroom and building routines Form Function Causation	Living things interact with their environment to meet their needs. - Needs and wants - Living things and their environments - Intent vs. Impact Responsibility Causation Change
1	Learning about ourselves and others can lead to a sense of belonging in our community. - Self - Relationships - Communities Connection Perspective Responsibility	Families are shaped by their culture, traditions, and experiences. - Family stories - Traditions and celebrations Form Function Change	Humans use art to express ideas and feelings. - Art Elements - Expression of ideas and feelings - Artists' styles Form Connection Perspective	People use patterns to understand the world. - Patterns in the natural world - Patterns in math - Impacts Form Function Change	People’s actions can affect others. - Group decision making - Choices and consequences - Roles in communities Causation Responsibility Function	Different ways of knowing help us understand the world. - Life cycle and traits - Reciprocal relationships - Similarities and differences Connection Perspective Responsibility
2	Inquiring into our identities can help us understand who we are. - Awareness - Empathy - Group identities (family, community, culture) Form Perspective Responsibility	Understanding perspectives can impact choices. - Timelines - Cultural groups in Whatcom County - How history impacts the present Causation Connection	People can connect by sharing their identities. - Art forms (Visual Art and Poetry) - Artists’ identities - Communicating through art Perspective Connection Change	Changes can happen in fast and slow ways. - Developing and using models - Weathering and erosion - Designing solutions Form Function Change	Communities develop systems for a common good. - Group and individual responsibilities - Goods and services (as resources) - How communities function Causation Perspective Responsibility	Living things are connected and rely on one another. - How things are dispersed - Needs of living things - Interdependence Causation Connection Function
3	Knowledge challenges perspectives and understandings and can lead to action. - Empathy - Neurodiversity - Ways to take action Causation Perspective Responsibility	Pioneers take risks and their actions influence the world. - Pioneers throughout history and across disciplines - Pioneers in art - Pioneers of today and the future Causation Connection Change	Storytelling can communicate cultural values and beliefs. - Traditional tales - Geographic perspectives - Forms of storytelling Form Function Perspective	Differences drive design. - Community - Fairness - Forces and interactions Form Change Responsibility	Living things depend on relationships - Ecosystems and habitats - Patterns - Cause and effect Form Function Causation	Organization affects how a collective functions - Systems - Problem solving - Finding parallels Function Connection Responsibility
4	Human curiosity drive us to explore, question and understand the world. - Structure and function of living things - Inquiry Cycle - Evaluating information and communicating ideas Function Connection Perspective	A community is impacted by its history. - Interdependence of the natural world and human activity - Cultural perspectives - How history impacts the present Causation Connection Perspective	Communication of ideas can take many forms. - Platforms of communication - How to respond to discoveries - Expanding creative practices Function Perspective Responsibility	Changes on Earth are constantly happening. - How Earth’s surface changes over time (what and how) - Local landforms Form Change Causation	The exchange of goods, services, and ideas creates connections. - Supply and demand - Local industries - Economic systems Function Connection Perspective	Energy is harnessed in many different ways for many different reasons. - Energy forms and transfer - Energy cannot be created of destroyed - Energy and the environment Function Form Responsibility

5	Individual identities create a community that learns and grows together. • Identities • Collective Value • Equity and the common good Connection Perspective Responsibility	Learning from different voices can lead to change. • Changemakers • Racism and Antiracism • Change Form Connection	Art communicates perspective. • Adapting traditional tales for performance • Puppetry and performing arts • Collaboration Form Perspective Function	When perspectives change, innovation happens. • Engineering to solve a problem • Different way of knowing • Environmental action Connection Change Perspective	Government structures influence citizens' rights. • Structure of the US Government • Sharing power and voice • Rights and responsibilities Function Causation Responsibility	Humans action can disrupt or sustain the delicate balance of ecosystems • Interconnectedness of living things withing an ecosystem • Taking Action Function Causation Responsibility
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Who We Are An inquiry into identity as individuals and as part of a collective through: • Physical, emotional and spiritual health and well-being • Relationships and belonging • Learning and growing	Where We Are in Place and Time An inquiry into histories and orientation in place, space and time through: • Periods, events and artefacts • Communities, heritage, culture and environment • Natural and human drivers of movement, adaptation and transformation	How We Express Ourselves An inquiry into the diversity of voice, perspectives and expression through: • Inspiration, imagination, creativity • Personal, social and cultural modes and practices of communication • Intentions, perceptions, interpretations and responses	How the World Works How the World Works: An inquiry into understandings of the world and phenomena through: • Patterns, cycles, systems • Diverse practices, methods and tools • Discovery, design, innovation, possibilities and impacts	How We Organize Ourselves An inquiry into systems, structures and networks through: • Interactions within and between social and ecological systems • Approaches to livelihoods and trade practices, intended and unintended consequences • Representation, collaboration and decision-making	Sharing the Planet An inquiry into the interdependence of human and natural worlds through: • Rights, responsibilities and dignity of all • Pathways to just, peaceful and reimagined futures • Nature, complexity, coexistence and wisdom
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