

Biology in the Living Earth

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LS2-1 ₃ LS2-2 ₃ LS2-4 ₅ LS2-8 ₂	LS1-5 ₅ LS1-6 ₅ LS1-7 ₅ LS2-3 ₅ LS2-5 ₄	ESS1-6 ₇ ESS2-6 ₅ ESS2-7 ₇ ESS3-6 ₄ *	LS4-1 ₁ LS4-2 ₂ * LS4-4 ₂ LS4-5 ₂ * ESS1-5 ₁	ESS2-5 ₆ ESS3-1 ₂ ESS3-4 ₇ ETS1-3*	LS3-1 ₂ LS3-2 ₂ LS3-3 ₃ LS4-2 ₂ * LS4-3 ₁	LS1-1 ₆ LS1-2 ₆ LS1-3 ₇ LS1-4 ₄	LS2-6 ₇ LS2-7 ₇ LS4-5 ₂ * LS4-6 ₂ ESS3-5 ₇	ESS3-6 ₄ * ETS1-1 ETS1-2 ETS1-3* ETS1-4 ₄
* = standard is taught more than once within this course								
EP&Cs Connections: Principles 2, 3, 4	ELD Connections: ELD.PI.11-12.1,5,6a-b,9,10,11a	EP&Cs Connections: Principles 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	ELD Connections: ELD.PI.11-12.1,5,6a-b,9,10,11a	EP&Cs Connections: Principles 1, 2, 3, 4	ELD Connections: ELD.PI.11-12.1,5,6a-b,9,10,11a	EP&Cs Connections: Principles 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	ELD Connections: ELD.11-12. P1.1, 5, 6a-b, 9, 10, 11a; ELD.9-10.P1.1, 3, 6, 10	
CCSS ELA Connections: RST.9-10.8 ; RST.11-12.1,7,8 ; WHST.9-12.2a-e , 5, 8, 9; SL.11-12.5 ;	CCSS Math Connections: N-Q.1-3 ; S-ID.1 ; S-ID.6.a-c ; S-IC.1,6 ; MP.2 , MP.4 ; F-IF.5	CCSS ELA Connections: SL.11-12.4 ; RST.11-12.1,8 , WHST.9-12.2.a-e , 7,9	CCSS Math Connections: MP.2 ; MP.4	CCSS ELA Connections: RST.11-12.1,8,9 , WHST.9-12.1.a-e , 2.a-e, 7, 9	CCSS Math Connections: MP.2 ; MP.4 ; F-IF.7.a-e ; F-BF.1a-c	CCSS ELA Connections: RST.9-10.1,2,3,7,8,9 ; RST.11-12.1,2,7,8 ; WHST.9-12.1a-e , 2.a-e, 6, 7, 8, 9; W.9-10.1a-f , 6; SL.9-10.1a-d , 4	CCSS Math Connections: MP.1 ; MP.2 ; MP.4 ; MP.7 ; N-Q.1-3 ; S-ID.1 , 6,9 ; S-IC.1,6	

Science & Engineering Practices (SEPs)

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| 1.) Asking questions and defining problems | 5.) Using mathematics and computational thinking |
| 2.) Developing and using models | 6.) Constructing explanations and designing solutions |
| 3.) Planning and carrying out investigations | 7.) Engaging in argument from evidence |
| 4.) Analyzing and interpreting data | 8.) Obtaining, evaluating and communicating information |

Crosscutting Concepts (CCCs)

- 1.) [Patterns](#)
- 2.) [Cause and Effect](#)
- 3.) [Scale, Proportion, Quantity](#)
- 4.) [Systems and System Models](#)
- 5.) [Energy and Matter](#)
- 6.) [Structure and Function](#)
- 7.) [Stability and Change](#)

Guiding Questions

<i>Instructional Segment #1: Ecosystem Interactions and Energy</i>	<i>Instructional Segment #2: Earth's Atmosphere-Photosynthesis and Respiration</i>	<i>Instructional Segment #3: Evidence of Evolution</i>	<i>Instructional Segment #4: Inheritance of Traits</i>	<i>Instructional Segment #5: Structure, Function and Growth (From Cells to Organisms)</i>	<i>Instructional Segment #6: Ecosystem Stability and the Response to Climate Change</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What factors affect the size of populations within an ecosystem? • What are common threats to remaining natural ecosystems and biodiversity? How can these threats be reduced? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do living things acquire energy and matter for life? • How do organisms store energy? • How are photosynthesis and cellular respiration connected? • How do organisms use the raw materials they ingest from the environment? • How has the cycling of energy and matter changed over Earth's history? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do layers of rock form and how do they contain fossils? • Why do we see fossils across the world from each other but living organisms that are very different from each other? • What evidence shows that different species are related? • How did modern day human evolve? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How are characteristics of one generation passed to the next? • What allows traits to be transmitted from parents to offspring? • How does variation affect a population under selective pressures? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What happens if a cell in our body dies? • How does the structure of DNA affect how cells look and behave? • How do systems work in multi-celled organisms (emergent properties) and what happens if there is a change in the system? • How do organisms survive even when there are changes in their environment? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What effects change in ecosystems that ultimately effect populations? • What are the changes that are happening in the climate and what effects are those having on life? • How are human activities impacting Earth's systems and how does that affect life on Earth? • What can humans do to mitigate their negative impact on the environment?

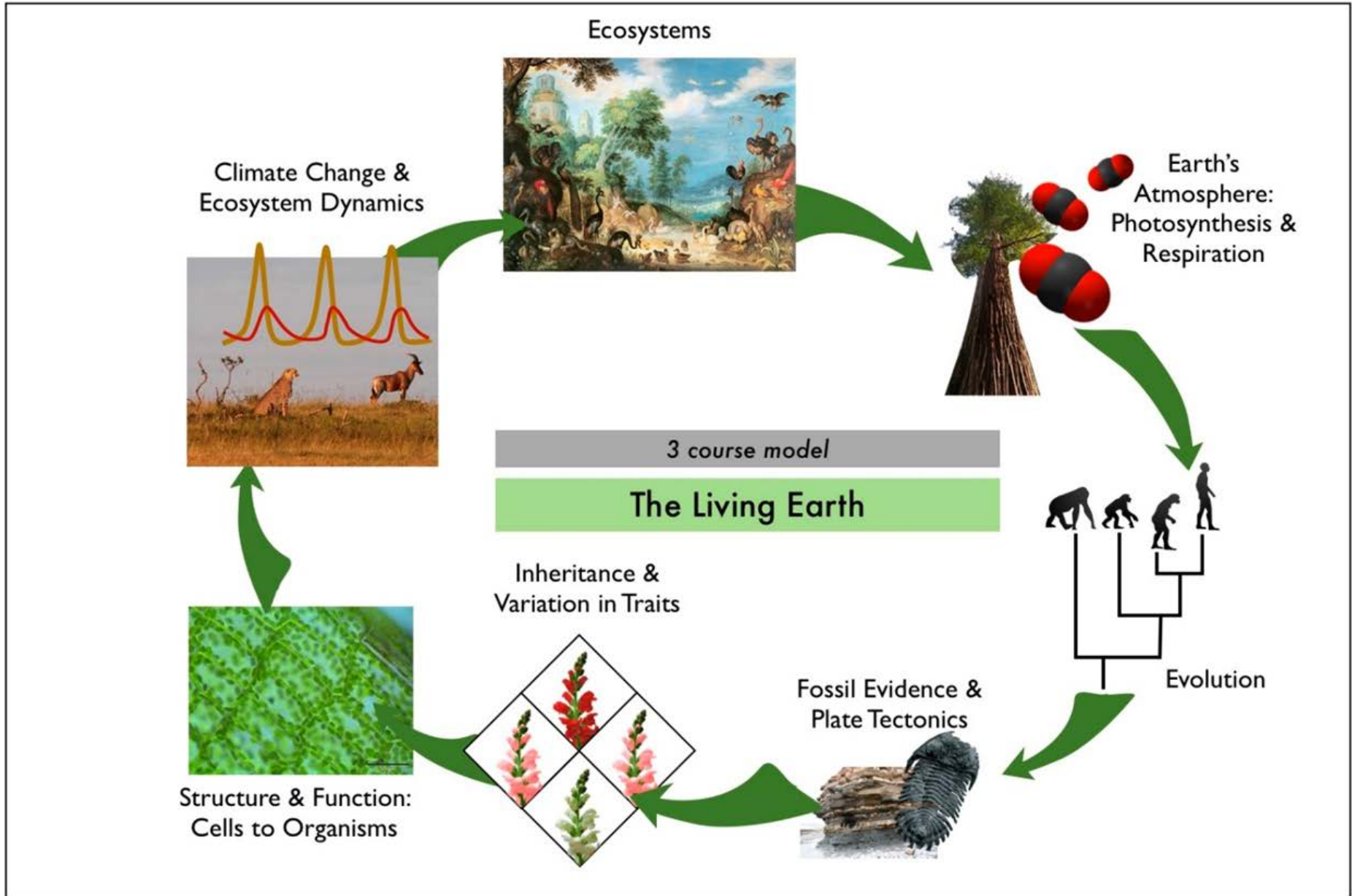


Table 7.1. Overview of Instructional Segments for High School Living Earth

Biology in the Living Earth- Quarter 1 Overview

Quarter Topic Focus: *Energy Transfer in the Living Earth*

<u>Science & Engineering Practice (SEP)</u>	<u>Disciplinary Core Idea (DCI)</u>	<u>Crosscutting Concept (CCC)</u>	<u>Performance Expectation (PE)</u>
How students will demonstrate their understanding...	What students will understand...	How students will connect their understanding across units and courses... (Why they should know it)	A complete standard (SEP + DCI + CCC = PE) <small>*colors are associated with SEP (see page 1 for key)</small>
<u>Use mathematical and/or computational representations</u> to support explanations	of <u>factors that affect carrying capacity</u> of ecosystems	at <u>different scales</u> . (Scale, Proportion, and Quantity)	LS2-1
<u>Use mathematical representations</u> to support and revise explanations based on evidence	about <u>factors affecting biodiversity and populations</u> in ecosystems	at <u>different scales</u> . (Scale, Proportion, and Quantity)	LS2-2
<u>Use mathematical representations</u> to support claims for	the <u>cycling of matter and flow of energy</u> among organisms in an ecosystem.	(<u>Energy and Matter</u>)	LS2-4
<u>Evaluate evidence</u> for	the <u>role of group behavior or individual and species' chances to survive and reproduce</u> .	(<u>Cause and Effect</u>)	LS2-8
<u>Use a model</u> to illustrate how	<u>photosynthesis</u> transforms light energy into stored chemical energy.	(<u>Energy and Matter</u>)	LS1-5
<u>Construct and revise an explanation</u> based on evidence for how	<u>carbon, hydrogen and oxygen from sugar molecules</u> may combine with other elements	<u>to form</u> amino acids and/or other large-based carbon molecules. (Energy and Matter)	LS1-6

Use a model to illustrate that	cellular respiration is a chemical process whereby the bonds of food molecules and oxygen molecules are broken, and the bonds in new compounds are formed	resulting in a net transfer of energy . (Energy and Matter)	LS1-7
Construct and revise an explanation based on evidence for the	cycling of matter and flow of energy in aerobic and anaerobic conditions .	(Energy and Matter)	LS2-3
Develop a model to illustrate the role of	photosynthesis and cellular respiration in the cycling of carbon among the biosphere, atmosphere, hydrosphere and geosphere.	(Systems and System Models)	LS2-5
Apply scientific reasoning and evidence from	ancient Earth materials, meteorites and other planetary surfaces	to construct an account of Earth's formation and early history . (Stability and Change)	ESS1-6
Develop a quantitative model to describe	the cycling of carbon among the hydrosphere, atmosphere, geosphere and biosphere.	(Energy and Matter)	ESS2-6
Construct and argument based on evidence about	the simultaneous coevolution of Earth's systems and life on Earth.	(Stability and Change)	ESS2-7
Use a computational representation to illustrate	the relationship among Earth's systems and how those relationships are being modified due to human activity.	(Systems and System Models)	ESS3-6

Biology in the Living Earth- Quarter 2 Overview

Quarter Topic Focus: *Evidence of Evolution*

<u>Science & Engineering Practice (SEP)</u>	<u>Disciplinary Core Idea (DCI)</u>	<u>Crosscutting Concept (CCC)</u>	<u>Performance Expectation (PE)</u>
How students will demonstrate their understanding...	What students will understand...	How students will connect their understanding across units and courses... (Why they should know it)	A complete standard (SEP + DCI + CCC = PE) <small>*colors are associated with SEP (see page 1 for key)</small>
<u>Communicate scientific information</u>	that <u>common ancestry and biological evolution</u> are	<u>supported by</u> multiple lines of empirical evidence. (Patterns)	LS4-1
Construct an <u>explanation</u> based on evidence that	the process of <u>evolution primarily results from four factors</u> : (1) the potential for a species to increase in number, (2) the heritable genetic variation of individuals in a species due to mutation and sexual reproduction, (3) competition for limited resources, and (4) the proliferation of those organisms that are better able to survive and reproduce in the environment.	(<u>Cause and Effect</u>)	LS4-2
<u>Construct an explanation based on evidence</u> for how	<u>natural selection leads to adaptation of populations.</u>	(<u>Cause and Effect</u>)	LS4-4
<u>Evaluate the evidence</u> for supporting claims that	<u>changes in environmental conditions</u> may result in (1) increases in the number of some species, (2) the emergence of new species over time, and (3) the extinction of other species.	(<u>Cause and Effect</u>)	LS4-5

<p><u>Evaluate evidence</u> of</p>	<p>the <u>past and current movements of continental and oceanic crust</u> and the <u>theory of plate tectonics</u> to explain the age of crustal rocks.</p>	<p>(<u>Patterns</u>)</p>	<p>ESS1-5</p>
<p><u>Plan and conduct an investigation</u> of</p>	<p>the <u>properties of water and its effects on Earth</u> materials and surface processes.</p>	<p>(<u>Structure and Function</u>)</p>	<p>ESS2-5</p>
<p><u>Construct an explanation</u> based on evidence for how</p>	<p>the availability of <u>natural resources</u>, occurrence of <u>natural hazards</u>, and changes in climate have</p>	<p>influenced human activity. (<u>Cause and Effect</u>)</p>	<p>ESS3-1</p>
<p><u>Evaluate or refine</u> a technological solution</p>	<p>that reduces <u>impacts of human activities</u> on natural systems.</p>	<p>(<u>Stability and Change</u>)</p>	<p>ESS3-4</p>
<p><u>Evaluate a solution to a complex real-world problem</u> based on prioritized criteria and trade-offs</p>	<p>that account for a range of <u>constraints, including cost, safety, reliability, and aesthetics</u> as well as possible social, cultural, and environmental impacts.</p>	<p>(<u>Engineering</u>)</p>	<p>ETS1-3</p>

Biology in the Living Earth- Quarter 3 Overview

Quarter Topic Focus: *Cellular Processes Driving Inheritance*

<u>Science & Engineering Practice (SEP)</u>	<u>Disciplinary Core Idea (DCI)</u>	<u>Crosscutting Concept (CCC)</u>	<u>Performance Expectation (PE)</u>
How students will demonstrate their understanding...	What students will understand...	How students will connect their understanding across units and courses... (Why they should know it)	A complete standard (SEP + DCI + CCC = PE) <small>*colors are associated with SEP (see page 1 for key)</small>
<u>Ask questions</u> to clarify relationships about	the <u>role of DNA and chromosomes</u> in coding the instructions for characteristic traits passed from parents to offspring.	(<u>Cause and Effect</u>)	LS3-1
<u>Make and defend a claim</u> based on evidence that	<u>inheritable genetic variations may result from</u> , (1) new genetic combinations through meiosis, (2) viable errors occurring during replication, and/or (3) mutations caused by environmental factors.	(<u>Cause and Effect</u>)	LS3-2
<u>Apply concepts</u> of statistics and probability to explain	the <u>variation and distribution</u> of expressed traits in a population.	(<u>Scale, Proportion, and Quantity</u>)	LS3-3
Construct an <u>explanation</u> based on evidence that	the process of <u>evolution primarily results from four factors</u> : (1) the potential for a species to increase in number, (2) the heritable genetic variation of individuals in a species due to mutation and sexual reproduction, (3) competition for limited resources, and (4) the proliferation of those organisms that are better able to survive and reproduce in the environment.	(<u>Cause and Effect</u>)	LS4-2
<u>Apply concepts</u> of statistics and probability to support explanations that	organisms with an <u>advantageous heritable trait trend tend to increase</u> in proportion to organisms lacking this trait.	(<u>Patterns</u>)	LS4-3

<p><u>Construct an explanation</u> based on evidence for how</p>	<p>the <u>structure of DNA</u> determines the</p>	<p>structure of proteins, which carry out the essential <u>functions of life</u> through systems of specialized cells. (Structure and Function)</p>	<p>LS1-1</p>
<p><u>Develop and use a model</u> to illustrate</p>	<p>the <u>hierarchical organization</u> of interacting systems that provide specific functions within multicellular organisms.</p>	<p>(<u>Structure and Function</u>)</p>	<p>LS1-2</p>
<p><u>Plan and conduct an investigation</u> to provide evidence that</p>	<p><u>feedback mechanisms</u> maintain homeostasis.</p>	<p>(<u>Stability and Change</u>)</p>	<p>LS1-3</p>
<p><u>Use a model</u> to illustrate</p>	<p>the role of <u>cellular division (mitosis) and differentiation</u> in producing and maintaining complex organisms.</p>	<p>(<u>Systems and System Models</u>)</p>	<p>LS1-4</p>

Biology in the Living Earth- Quarter 4 Overview			
Quarter Topic Focus: <i>Ecosystem Stability and Change</i>			
<u>Science & Engineering Practice (SEP)</u>	<u>Disciplinary Core Idea (DCI)</u>	<u>Crosscutting Concept (CCC)</u>	Performance Expectation (PE)
How students will demonstrate their understanding...	What students will understand...	How students will connect their understanding across units and courses... (Why they should know it)	A complete standard (SEP + DCI + CCC = PE) <small>*colors are associated with SEP (see page 1 for key)</small>
<u>Evaluate claims, evidence, and reasoning</u> that	the <u>complex interactions in ecosystems</u> maintain relatively consistent numbers and types of organisms in stable conditions,	but <u>changing conditions</u> may result in a new ecosystem. (Stability and Change)	LS2-6
<u>Design, evaluate, and refine a solution</u>	for <u>reducing the impacts of human activities</u> on the environment and biodiversity.	(<u>Stability and Change</u>)	LS2-7
<u>Evaluate the evidence</u> supporting claims that	<u>changes in environmental conditions</u> may result in (1) increases in the number of individual species, (2) the emergence of new species over time, (3) the extinction of other species.	(<u>Cause and Effect</u>)	LS4-5
Create or revise a simulation to test a solution (<u>using mathematics and computational thinking</u>)	to mitigate adverse <u>impacts of human activity</u> on biodiversity.	(<u>Cause and Effect</u>)	LS4-6
<u>Analyze geoscience data</u> and the results from global climate models	to make an evidence-based forecast of the current rate of global or regional <u>climate change and associated future impacts</u> to Earth's systems.	(<u>Stability and Change</u>)	ESS3-5

Use a computational representation to illustrate	the relationships among Earth systems and how those relationships are being modified due to human activity.	(Systems and System Models)	ESS3-6
Analyze a major global challenge	to specify qualitative and quantitative criteria and constraints for solutions that account for societal needs and wants.	(Engineering CCC connection)	ETS1-1
Design a solution to a complex real-world problem	by breaking it down into smaller, more manageable problems that can be solved through engineering.	n/a	ETS1-2
Evaluate a solution to a complex real-world problem based on prioritized criteria and trade-offs	that account for a range of constraints , including cost, safety, reliability, and aesthetics as well as possible social, culture, and environmental impacts.	(Engineering CCC connection)	ETS1-3
Use a computer simulation to model	the impact of proposed solutions to a complex real-world problem with numerous criteria and constraints on interactions within and between systems relevant to the problem.	(Systems and System Models)	ETS1-4