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<ul> <li>Processes that Shape the E</li> <li>Identify evidence friin rock formations a rock layers to supprexplanation for chalandscape over time</li> <li>Make observations measurements to pevidence of the effective weathering or the rater erosion by water, icovegetation.</li> <li>Analyze and interprimaps to describe performance to reduce of natural Earth prohumans.</li> </ul>	Earth from patterns and fossils in port an anges in a me.4. The properties of roc processes that formed basis for understanding a. how to differentiate metamorphic rocks by r methods of formation (t b. how to identify com s and/or provide fects of rate of ice, wind, or4. The properties of roc processes that formed basis for understanding metamorphic rocks by r methods of formation (t b. how to identify com (including quartz, calcit and ore minerals by usi fects of rate of taked of potter data from patterns of5. Waves, wind, water, land surface. As a basis understanding this com a. some changes in ti such as erosion, and so processes, such as lam earthquakes. b. natural processes, the growth of roots, cau pieces. c. moving water erodu taking it away from som	cks and minerals reflect the them. As a g this concept, students know: e among igneous, sedimentary, ar referring to their properties and the rock cycle). mmon rock-forming minerals te, feldspar, mica, and hornblende sing a table of diagnostic propertie a, and ice shape and reshape Earth is for icept: the earth are due to slow processe owne changes are due to rapid adslides, volcanic eruptions, and a including freezing and thawing an use rocks to break down into sma des landforms, reshaping the land me places and depositing it as d mud in other places (weathering	de) ies. th's ses, <b>Commented</b> aller d by	[CS1]:

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ACE	<ul> <li>Develop a model to describe that an object can be seen when light reflected from its surface enters the eye.</li> <li>Construct an argument that plants and animals have internal and external structures that function to support survival, growth, behavior, and reproduction.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2. All organisms need energy and matter to live and grow. As a basis for understanding this concept, students know:</li> <li>a. plants are the primary source of matter and energy entering most food chains.</li> <li>b. producers and consumers (herbivores, carnivores, omnivores, and decomposers) are related in food chains and food webs and may compete with each other for resources in an ecosystem.</li> <li>c. decomposers, including many fungi, insects, and animals.</li> </ul>
LIFE SCIENCE	Use a model to describe that animals receive different types of information through their senses, process the information in their brain, and respond to the information in different ways	<ul> <li>3. Living organisms depend on one another and on their environment for survival. As a basis for understanding this concept, students know:</li> <li>a. ecosystems can be characterized by their living and nonliving components.</li> <li>b. that in any particular environment, some kinds of plants and animals survive well, some survive less well, and some cannot survive at all.</li> <li>c. many plants depend on animals for pollination and seed dispersal, and animals depend on plants for food and shelter.</li> <li>d. that most microorganisms do not cause disease and that many are beneficial.</li> </ul>

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SCIENCE PROCESSES	The crosscutting concepts of patterns; cause and effect; energy and matter; systems and system models; interdependence of science, engineering, and technology; and influence of engineering, technology, and science on society and the natural world are called out as organizing concepts for these disciplinary core ideas Demonstrate grade-appropriate proficiency in asking questions, developing and using models, planning and carrying out investigations, analyzing and interpreting data, constructing explanations and designing solutions, engaging in argument from evidence, and obtaining, evaluating, and communicating information.	<ul> <li>5. Scientific progress is made by asking meaningful questions and conducting careful investigations. As a basis for understanding this concept and addressing the content in the other three strands, students should develop their own questions and perform investigations.</li> <li>a. Differentiate observation from inference (interpretation) and know scientists' explanations come partly from what they observe and partly from how they interpret their observations.</li> <li>b. Measure and estimate the weight, length, or volume of objects.</li> <li>c. Formulate and justify predictions based on cause-and-effect relationships.</li> <li>d. Conduct multiple trials to test a prediction and draw conclusions about the relationships between predictions and results.</li> <li>e. Construct and interpret graphs from measurements.</li> <li>f. Follow a set of written instructions for a scientific investigation.</li> </ul>

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3-5	Students who demonstrate understanding can:	
DESIGN GRADES	Define a simple design problem reflecting a need or a want that includes specified criteria for success and constraints on materials, time, or cost.	
ING DESIG	Generate and compare multiple possible solutions to a problem based on how well each is likely to meet the criteria and constraints of the problem.	
ENGINEERING	Plan and carry out fair tests in which variables are controlled and failure points are considered to identify aspects of a model or prototype that can be improved.	