

Curriculum Standards

Series: 21st Century Disasters

Level: Beacon

Standards Achieved

This series supports the following Common Core State Standards and National Science Education Standards.

Common Core State Standards

Key Ideas and Details	RI 3.1	Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.
	RI 3.2	Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.
	RI 3.3	Describe the relationship between a series of historical events, scientific ideas or concepts, or steps in technical procedures in a text, using language that pertains to time, sequence, and cause/effect.
Craft and Structure	RI 3.4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.
	RI 3.5	Use text features and search tools (e.g., key words, sidebars, hyperlinks) to locate information relevant to a given topic efficiently.
Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	RI 3.8	Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).
Key Ideas and Details	RI 4.1	Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.
	RI 4.2	Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.
	RI 4.3	Explain events, procedures, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text, including what happened and why, based on specific information in the text.
Craft and Structure	RI 4.4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words or phrases in a text relevant to a grade 4 topic or subject area.
	RI 4.5	Describe the overall structure (e.g., chronology, comparison, cause/effect, problem/solution) of events, ideas, concepts, or information in a text or part of a text.

Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	RI 4.7	Interpret information presented visually, orally, or quantitatively (e.g., in charts, graphs, diagrams, time lines, animations, or interactive elements on Web pages) and explain how the information contributes to an understanding of the text in which it appears.
Key Ideas and Details	RI 5.1	Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.
	RI 5.2	Determine two or more main ideas of a text and explain how they are supported by key details; summarize the text.
	RI 5.3	Explain the relationships or interactions between two or more individuals, events, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text based on specific information in the text.
Craft and Structure	RI 5.4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 5 topic or subject area.

National Science Education Standards

Earth and Space Science	Content Standard D, grades K–4	As a result of their activities in grades K–4, all students should develop an understanding of properties of earth materials, objects in the sky, and changes in earth and sky.
Science and Technology	Content Standard E, grades K–4	As a result of activities in grades K–4, all students should develop abilities of technological design, understanding about science and technology, and abilities to distinguish between natural objects and objects made by humans.
Science in Personal and Social Perspectives	Content Standard F, grades K–4	As a result of activities in grades K–4, all students should develop understanding of personal health, characteristics and changes in populations, types of resources, changes in environments, and science and technology in local challenges.
Earth and Space Science	Content Standard D, grades 5–8	As a result of their activities in grades 5–8, all students should develop an understanding of the structure of the earth system, Earth’s history, and Earth in the solar system.
Science and Technology	Content Standard E, grades 5–8	As a result of activities in grades 5–8, all students should develop abilities of technological design and understandings about science and technology.
Science in Personal and Social Perspectives	Content Standard F, grades 5–8	As a result of activities in grades 5–8, all students should develop understanding of personal health; populations, resources, and environments; natural hazards; risks and benefits; and science and technology in society.