4-ESS1-1: Evidence from Rock Layers

Identify evidence from patterns in rock formations and fossils in rock layers to support an explanation for changes in a landscape over time.

4-ESS2-1: Weathering and Erosion

Make observations and/or measurements to provide evidence of the effects of weathering or the rate of erosion by water, ice, wind, or vegetation. (Cause and Effect)

4-ESS2-2: Mapping Earth's Features

Analyze and interpret data from maps to describe patterns of earth's features.

4-ESS3-2: Natural Hazard Design Solution

Generate and compare multiple solutions to reduce the impacts of natural earth processes on humans. (Cause and Effect)

ASSESSMENTS

4-ESS1-1 - Evidence from Rock Layers

4-ESS2-1 - Melting Glaciers

4-ESS2-2 - UK Earthquakes

4-ESS3-2 - T-Solution - A Tsunami Design Solution

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Mini Lessons, Graphic Organizers

EVALUATING LESSON/UNIT RESOURCE

Modifying Resource Lesson/Unit

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4-ESS1-1: Evidence from Rock Layers

Evidence Statement Assessment: The Oldest Rock Layer (Google Template)

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Science and Engineering Practices

Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions

Constructing explanations and designing solutions in 3–5 builds on K–2 experiences and progresses to the use of evidence in constructing explanations that specify variables that describe and predict phenomena and in designing multiple solutions to design problems.

 Identify the evidence that supports particular points in an explanation.

Disciplinary Core Ideas

ESS1.C: The History of Planet Earth

 Local, regional, and global patterns of rock formations reveal changes over time due to earth forces, such as earthquakes. The presence and location of certain fossil types indicate the order in which rock layers were formed.

Crosscutting Concepts

Patterns

Patterns can be used as evidence to support an explanation.

Connections to Nature of Science

Scientific Knowledge Assumes an Order and Consistency in Natural Systems

 Science assumes consistent patterns in natural systems.

Reflections: Type Here

No Partial Yes

1. The assessment contains a phenomenon (science) or a problem (engineering)

2. The prompts match the Science and Engineering Practice (SEP) and engage students in sense making.

3. The stimuli have multiple and sufficient information needed to utilize the SEP. (e.g. multiple data sets to analyze)

4. The prompts elicit observable understanding of the Disciplinary Core Idea (DCI).

5. The prompts explicitly mention the Crosscutting Concept (CCC).

6. The prompts include language (i.e. bullets) from grade appropriate progressions. (SEP)(DCI)(CCC)

7. The phenomenon or problem is novel to show the transfer of knowledge. (i.e. not in the unit)

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4-ESS2-1: Weathering and Erosion

Evidence Statement

Assessment: Melting Glaciers (Google Template)

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Science and Engineering Practices

Planning and Carrying Out Investigations Planning and carrying out investigations to answer questions or test solutions to problems in 3–5 builds on K–2 experiences and progresses to include investigations that control variables and provide evidence to support explanations or design solutions.

 Make observations and/or measurements to produce data to serve as the basis for evidence for an explanation of a phenomenon.

Disciplinary Core Ideas

ESS2.A: Earth Materials and Systems

Rainfall helps to shape the land and affects the types of living things found in a region. Water, ice, wind, living organisms, and gravity break rocks, soils, and sediments into smaller particles and move them around.

ESS2.E: Biogeology

 Living things affect the physical characteristics of their regions.

Crosscutting Concepts

Cause and Effect

 Cause and effect relationships are routinely identified, tested, and used to explain change.

Reflections: Type Here

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(SEP)(DCI)(CCC)

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4-ESS2-2: Mapping Earth's Features

Evidence Statement

Assessment: UK Earthquakes (Google Template)

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Science and Engineering Practices

Analyzing and Interpreting Data Analyzing data in 3–5 builds on K–2 experiences and progresses to introducing quantitative approaches to collecting data and conducting multiple trials of qualitative observations. When possible and feasible, digital tools should be used.

 Analyze and interpret data to make sense of phenomena using logical reasoning.

Disciplinary Core Ideas

ESS2.B: Plate Tectonics and Large-Scale System Interactions

The locations of mountain ranges, deep ocean trenches, ocean floor structures, earthquakes, and volcanoes occur in patterns. Most earthquakes and volcanoes occur in bands that are often along the boundaries between continents and oceans. Major mountain chains form inside continents or near their edges. Maps can help locate the different land and water features areas of Earth.

Crosscutting Concepts

Patterns

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Reflections: Type Here

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4-ESS3-2: Natural Design Hazard Solution

Evidence Statement

Assessment: T-Solution - A Tsunami Design Solution (Google Template)

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Science and Engineering Practices

Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions

Constructing explanations and designing solutions in 3–5 builds on K–2 experiences and progresses to the use of evidence in constructing explanations that specify variables that describe and predict phenomena and in designing multiple solutions to design problems.

 Generate and compare multiple solutions to a problem based on how well they meet the criteria and constraints of the design solution.

Disciplinary Core Ideas

ESS3.B: Natural Hazards

 A variety of hazards result from natural processes (e.g., earthquakes, tsunamis, volcanic eruptions). Humans cannot eliminate the hazards but can take steps to reduce their impacts. (Note: This Disciplinary Core Idea can also be found in 3.WC.)

ETS1.B: Designing Solutions to Engineering Problems

 Testing a solution involves investigating how well it performs under a range of likely conditions.(secondary)

Crosscutting Concepts

Cause and Effect

 Cause and effect relationships are routinely identified, tested, and used to explain change.

Connections to Engineering, Technology, and Applications of Science

Influence of Engineering, Technology, and Science on Society and the Natural World

 Engineers improve existing technologies or develop new ones to increase their benefits, to decrease known risks, and to meet societal demands.

Reflections: Type Here

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(SEP)(DCI)(CCC)

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Materials / Resources

Vocabulary

4-ESS1-1

Landscape

Rock formations (e.g. mountains, canyons, etc.)

Rock layers

- Ordering (deeper is older)

- Fossils (e.g. marine, land plants)

Earth events (e.g. earthquake, fault, river)

Patterns

4-ESS2-2

Maps (e.g topographic)

Earth features (e.g mountains, continental boundaries, ocean trenches, volcanoes)

Patterns

4-ESS2-1

Weathering (effects)

Erosion (rates)

Earth features

Causes

- Slope
- Motion of water
- Temperature (i.e melting and freezing cycle)
- Wind
- Vegetation

4-ESS3-2

Natural hazards

Earthquakes

Floods

Tsunamis

Volcanic eruptions

Design solutions (e.g earthquake resistant

building, volcano monitoring, etc.)

Cause and Effect

Mini Lessons

Patterns Level 1 - Observational Patterns Mini-Lesson

Patterns Level 1 - Observational Patterns Thinking Slides

Causation Level 3 - Causal Relationships Mini-Lesson

Causation Level 3 - Causal Relationships Thinking Slides

Graphic Organizers

4-ESS1-1 - Rock and Fossil Layers Graphic Organizer (Student Version)

4-ESS1-1 - Rock and Fossil Layers Graphic Organizer (Teacher Version)

4-ESS2-1 - Weathering and Erosion Graphic Organizer (Student Version)

4-ESS2-1 - Weathering and Erosion Graphic Organizer (Teacher Version)

4-ESS2-2 - Patterns of Earth's Surface Graphic Organizer (Student Version)

4-ESS2-2 - Patterns of Earth's Surface Graphic Organizer (Teacher Version)

4-ESS3-2 - Natural Hazard Design Solution Graphic Organizer (Student Version)

4-ESS3-2 - Natural Hazard Design Solution Graphic Organizer (Teacher Version)

Phenomena Observation Graphic Organizer

Questioning Graphic Organizer

Modeling Graphic Organizer

Planning an Investigation Organizer

Investigation Evidence Organizer

Engaging in Argumentation Organizer

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