

3rd Grade Standards:

Performance Expectation		Disciplinary Core Idea		Science and Engineering Practices		Crosscutting Concepts	
3-PS2-1	Plan and conduct an investigation to provide evidence of the effects of balanced and unbalanced forces on the motion of an object.	PS2.A	Forces and Motion	SEP-1	Asking Questions and Defining Problems	CCC-1	Patterns
3-PS2-2	Make observations and/or measurements of an object's motion to provide evidence that a pattern can be used to predict future motion.	PS2.B	Types of Interactions	SEP-2	Developing and Using Models	CCC-3	Cause and Effect
3-PS2-3	Ask questions to determine cause-and-effect relationships of electric or magnetic interactions between two objects not in contact with each other.	LS1.B	Growth and Development of Organisms	SEP-3	Planning and Carrying Out Investigations	CCC-3	Scale, Proportion, and Quantity
3-PS2-4	Define a simple design problem that can be solved by applying scientific ideas about magnets.	LS2.D	Social Interactions and Group Behavior	SEP-4	Analyzing and Interpreting Data	CCC-4	Systems and System Models
3-LS1-1	Develop models to describe that organisms have unique and diverse life cycles but all have in common birth, growth, reproduction, and death.	LS3.A	Inheritance of Traits	SEP-5	Using Mathematical and Computational Thinking	CCC-5	Energy and Matter
3-LS2-1	Construct an argument that some animals form groups that help members survive.	LS3.B	Variation of Traits	SEP-6	Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions	CCC-6	Structure and Function
3-LS3-1	Analyze and interpret data to provide evidence that plants and animals have traits inherited from parents and that variation of these traits exists in a group of similar organisms.	LS4.A	Evidence of Common Ancestry and Diversity	SEP-7	Engaging in Argument from Evidence	CCC-7	Stability and Change

3-LS3-2	Use evidence to support the explanation that traits can be influenced by the environment.	LS4.B	Natural Selection	SEP-8	Obtaining, Evaluating, and Communicating Information		
3-LS4-1	Analyze and interpret data from fossils to provide evidence of the organisms and the environments in which they lived long ago.	LS4.C	Adaptation				
3-LS4-2	Use evidence to construct an explanation for how the variations in characteristics among individuals of the same species may provide advantages in surviving, finding mates, and reproducing.	LS4.D	Biodiversity and Humans				
3-LS4-3	Construct an argument with evidence that in a particular habitat some organisms can survive well, some survive less well, and some cannot survive at all.	ETS1.A	Defining and Delimiting Engineering Problems				
3-LS4-4	Make a claim about the merit of a solution to a problem caused when the environment changes and the types of plants and animals that live there may change.	ETS1.B	Developing Possible Solutions				
3-5-ETS1-1	Define a simple design problem reflecting a need or a want that includes specified criteria for success and constraints on materials, time, or cost.	ESS2.D	Weather and Climate				
3-5-ETS1-3	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.	ESS3.B	Natural Hazards				
3-ESS2-1	Represent data in tables and graphical displays to describe typical weather conditions expected during a particular season.	ETS1.B	Developing Possible Solutions				

3-ESS2-2	Obtain and combine information to describe climates in different regions of the world.							
3-ESS3-1	Make a claim about the merit of a design solution that reduces the impacts of a weather-related hazard.							
3-5-ETS1-2	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.							