

Course Title: Forensic Science

Department: Science

Unit Name: Safety

Topics:

• Basic Science Classroom Safety

• Safety specific to Forensic Science

School Competencies:

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Course Competencies:

• Students will learn the specific safety policies and procedures for Forensic Science.

Formative Assessments:

Safety Map

• Daily Check-in 3: Safety Guidelines

Summative Assessments:

Safety Summative



Unit Name: Crime Scene Observation & Analysis

Topics:

- Observation
- Deductive Reasoning
- Data recording
- Crime Scene Sketch drawing

School Competencies:

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- Students will use biometric data to evaluate potential causal relationships.
- Students will work with a group to collect all information from a crime scene. Labeled photographs, numbered data, complete sketches are a few of the items that will be collected and reported.
- Students will demonstrate the ability to work collaboratively and individually to define problems, plan and conduct investigations, and analyze and interpret data while following safety precautions
- Students will examine examples of literature and media within the detective and mystery genres to understand the significance and implications within history, society and the field of forensics.
- Students will use analytical skills such as measurement and finding a transcending line to recreate and sketch a crime scene.
- Students will effectively communicate the research process and conclusions. Writing conventions will be followed.

Formative Assessments:

- Daily Check-in
- Miniature Crime Scene Analysis
- Lab: Footprints
- Murder in the Rue Morgue
- Lab: Deadly Picnic

Summative Assessments:

Crime Scene Summative 1



Unit Name: Fingerprinting

Topics:

- Ink Fingerprinting
- Fingerprint Minutiae
- Fingerprinting Dusting Method
- Fingerprinting Superglue Fuming Method

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Formative Assessments:

- Ink Fingerprinting Mini-Lab
- Balloon Fingerprints Mini-Lab
- Daily Check -in 12, 13, 14, 15
- Fingerprints Lab Dusting Method
- Lifting Fingerprints Superglue Fuming Method

Summative Assessments:

• Crime Scene Summative 2 - Fingerprint Analysis



Unit Name: Blood Evidence

Topics:

- Testing for Rh and Blood Type
- Blood Spatter Analysis

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Formative Assessments:

- Blood Typing Lab
- Daily Check-in 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22
- Blood Spatter Medium Velocity Lab
- Height and Velocity of Blood Lab
- Blood Back Spatter Lab

Summative Assessments:

- Blood Evidence Quiz
- Crime Scene Summative 3 DNA, Blood Evidence and Fingerprinting



Unit Name: DNA Evidence

Topics:

- Basic structure and function of DNA
- Polymerase Chain Reaction & Gel Electrophoresis
- DNA Evidence Case Studies

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Formative Assessments:

- Using Genetics to End Poaching of Elephants
- Daily Check-in 24, 25
- DNA Fingerprinting Case Study

Summative Assessments:

- Crime Scene Summative 3 DNA, Blood, and Fingerprinting
- Mini Crime Scene Project



Unit Name: Skeletal Evidence

Topics:

Estimating height based on bone size

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Formative Assessments:

- Daily check-in 28
- Lab: No Bones about it

Summative Assessments:

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Unit Name: Final Project

Topics:

Describe a type of Forensic that was not discussed in class and present it to the class as well
as a case study in that area.

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Formative Assessments:

Summative Assessments:

- Video Presentation on the area of Forensics that was not discussed in class.
- Presentation on a crime that was solved utilizing the method that was discussed