|           | Nature of Science  |
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| Quarter 1 | <ul> <li>Define a problem and carry out a plan</li> <li>Explain the difference between an investigation and an experiment</li> <li>Recognize and explain the need for repeated trials</li> <li>Identify a control group and explain its importance</li> <li>Recognize an investigation does not always following the scientific method</li> <li>Recognize the difference between an opinion and an observation</li> <li>Recognize science is based on observation and can be tested</li> <li>Recognize that evidence from investigations should be replicable by others</li> </ul>   |
| Quarter 2 | Physical Science  Compare and contrast the basic properties of matter Investigate materials that will dissolve in water and those that will not Demonstrate mixtures of solids can be separated by observable properties Explore the scientific theory of Atoms Investigate how physical and chemical changes are affected by temperature Investigate basic forms of energy Investigate that energy causes motion and creates change Investigate how electrically charged objects can attract or repel Investigate the transfer of electrical energy to other forms of energy Investigate the flow of energy in a closed circuit Identify and classify insulators and conductors of electricity Identify familiar forces that cause objects to move Investigate how the amount of force affects the motion Investigate and explain balanced forces |

|           | Earth Science   |
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| Quarter 3 | Recognize the Milky Way as our home galaxy and what a galaxy consists of Recognize the major characteristics of planets Distinguish among the different objects in the Solar System Create a model of the water cycle Recognize the ocean is a large part of the water cycle Recognize how to determine the weather in a particular place Distinguish between the various forms of precipitation Recognize the weather differences in diverse environments Describe characteristics of climate zones Design a natural disaster family preparedness plan |
| Quarter 4 | Life Science  Identify the organs in the human body and their functions Compare and contrast plant and animal organ functions Describe how differences in plants and animals impact their survival Compare and contrast adaptations of plants and animals that enable them to survive   |