Course Name:	Earth & Space Science		
Unit Name:	The Nature of Science		
Time Frame:	7 days		
Unit Standards	Alabama Course of Study: Scientific Process and Application Skills (p. 10)		
Unit Essential Questions	Why is lab safety importa In what ways do scientists		an organized system to solve a problem?
Unit Essential	1. observation	9. hypothesis	16. scientific theory
Vocabulary	2. conclusion	10. experiment	17. scientific law
	3. classify	11. data	18. model
	4. measure	12. control	19. inductive reasoning
	5. predict	13. independent variable	20. deductive reasoning
	6. infer	14. dependent variable	
	7. variable	15. peer review	
Resources	Earth Science (2010). Holt McDougal and supplemental materials iPad Internet access Other supplemental materials		
Assessment(s)	Unit Test Quizzes Lab Activities Projects Daily Assignments Classroom Discussions		
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Course Name:	Earth & Space Science		
Unit Name: Earth Basics			
Time Frame:	9 days		
Unit Standards	Alabama Course of Study: 1. Describe sources of energy, including solar, gravitational, geothermal, and nuclear. 2. Describe effects on weather of energy transfer within and among the atmosphere, hydrosphere, biosphere, and lithosphere. • Describing the energy transfer related to condensation in clouds, precipitaton, winds, and ocean currents • Describing characteristics of the El Niño and La Niña phenomenon • Using data to analyze global weather patterns Examples: temperature, barometric pressure, wind speed, and direction 4. Describe the production and transfer of stellar energies. • Describing the relationship between life cycles and nuclear reactions of stars • Describing how the reception of solar radiation is affected by atmospheric and lithospheric conditions Example: volcanic eruptions and greenhouse gases affecting reflection and absorption of solar radiation		
Unit Essential Questions	What is Earth Science? How do the layers of Earth interact? What are the energy sources of Earth and how does energy cycle on Earth?		
Unit Essential Vocabulary	1. magnetosphere 9. asthenosphere 17. evaporation 2. atmosphere 10. mesosphere 18. transpiration 3. hydrosphere 11. inner core 19. solar energy 4. cryosphere 12. outer core 20. gravitational energy 5. geosphere 13. mantle 21. geothermal energy 6. biosphere 14. crust 22. nuclear energy 7. thermodynamics 15. condensation 23. open system 8. lithosphere 16. precipitation 24. closed system		
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Course Name:	Earth & Space Science			
Unit Name:	nit Name: Earth Chemistry, Resources, & Energy			
Time Frame:	14 days			
Unit Standards	1. Describe sources of energy, including solar, gravitational, geothermal, and nuclear. 4. Describe the production and transfer of stellar energies. a. Describing the relationship between life cycles and nuclear reactions of stars b. Describing how the reception of solar radiation is affected by atmospheric and lithospheric conditions Example: volcanic eruptions and greenhouse gases affecting reflection and absorption of solar radiation			
Unit Essential Questions	In what ways are Earth's natural resources and energy related? What do fission and fusion offer Earth?			
Unit Essential Vocabulary	1. proton 11. valence electron 21. greenhouse gases 31. absorption 2. neutron 12. ionic bond 22. geothermal energy 3. electron 13. covalent bond 23. solar energy 4. nucleus 14. recycling 24. biomass 5. periodic table 15. conservation 25. solar radiation 6. plasma 16. nuclear fission 26. nuclear reaction in stars 7. ion 17. nuclear fusion 27. life cycle of stars 8. isotope 18. nonrenewable resource 28. atmosphere 9. atomic number 19. fossil fuel 29. lithosphere 10. mass number 20. renewable resource 30. reflection			
Resources	Earth Science (2010). Holt McDougal and supplemental materials iPad Internet access Other supplemental materials			
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Course Name:	Earth & Space Science			
Unit Name:	History of Earth			
Time Frame:	10 days			
Unit	Alabama Course of Study:			
Standards	5. Discuss various theories for the origin, formation, and changing nature of the universe and our solar			
	 system. Explaining the nebular hypothesis for formation of planets, the big bang theory, and the 			
	 steady state theory Relating Hubble's law to the concept of an ever-expanding universe Describing the impact of meteor, asteroid, and comet bombardment on planetary and lur development 			
		etermining the age and co	mposition of Earth and the universe.	
		ic age methods to compute		
* .		-	to determine the age of the universe	
			omposition of objects in space	
			th and space, including Copernicus, Galileo,	
	Kepler, Newton, and Ein			
			ktend the senses and increase knowledge of the	
Unit Forential			o telescopes, spectroscopes, and cameras	
Unit Essential Questions			he big bang theory, and the steady state theory,	
Questions	explain the origin, formation, an	d changing nature of the u	iniverse and our solar system?	
Unit Essential	1. nuclear fusion	16. apparent magnitude	31. Newton	
Vocabulary	2. radiative zone	17. star cycle	32. Einstein	
	1	18. Hubble telescope	33. optical telescopes	
	4. photosphere	19. expanding universe	34. radio telescopes	
		20. Milky Way	35. spectroscopes	
	1	21. age of stars	36. carbon dating	
		22. asteroids23. comets	37. radiometric dating	
		24. nebula	38. alpha 39. beta	
	•	25. Big Bang Theory	40. gamma	
		26. Steady State Theory	41. half-life	
	12. coronal mass ejection		42. radioactive parent	
		28. Copernicus	43. stable daughter	
		29. Galileo	*	
D		30. Kepler		
Resources	Earth Science (2010). Holt McDo	ougal and supplemental m	aterials	
	Internet access			
	Other supplemental materials		,	
Assessment(s)	Unit Test			
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	Lab Activities			
	Projects			
	Daily Assignments			
	Classroom Discussions			

Course Name:	Earth & Space Science			
Unit Name:	Oceans			
Time Frame:	12 days			
Unit Standards	Alabama Course of Study: Describe effects on weather of energy transfer within and among the atmosphere, hydrosphere, biosphere, and lithosphere. Describing the energy transfer related to condensation in clouds, precipitation, winds, and ocean currents			
	 Describing characteristics of the El Niño and La Niña phenomena Explain how weather patterns affect climate. Explaining characteristics of various weather systems, including high and low pressure areas or fronts Interpreting weather maps and symbols to predict changing weather conditions Identifying technologies used to obtain meteorological data 			
Unit Essential Questions	In what ways do the various movements of water in the ocean impact the transfer of energy within and among the atmosphere, hydrosphere, biosphere, and lithosphere? What are the measurable properties of waves and how do the relationships between these properties change when waves move from one medium to another?			
Unit Essential Vocabulary	1. oceanography 15. tidal range 29. salinity 2. sonar 16. tidal oscillation 30. thermocline 3. continental margin 17. Gulf of Mexico 31. density 4. deep-ocean basin 18. air pressure 32. upwelling 5. trench 19. wind speed 33. gyre 6. density 20. wind direction 34. deep current 7. current 21. precipitation 35. Coriolis effect 8. surface current 22. latitude 36. Gulf Stream 9. wave I 23. longitude 37. El Niño 10. wave period 24. global wind patterns 38. La Niña 11. refraction 25. heat absorption 12. tide 26. global ocean 13. tidal current 27. sea 14. abyssal plain 28. core sample Earth Science (2010). Holt McDougal and supplemental materials iPad			
Assessment(s)	Internet access Other supplemental materials Unit Test Quizzes Lab Activities Projects Daily Assignments Classroom Discussions			

Course Name:	Earth & Space Science			
	Weather & Climate			
Time Frame:	12 days			
Unit	Alabama Course of Study:			
Standards	2.) Describe effects on weather of energy transfer within and among the atmosphere, hydrosphere,			
	biosphere, and lithosphere.			
	 Describing the er 	ergy transfer related to c	condensation in clouds, precipitation, winds, and	
	ocean currents			
	 Describing charac 	cteristics of the El Niño ar	nd La Niña phenomena	
	 Using data to ana 	lyze global weather patte	erns	
	Examples: tempe	rature, barometric pressu	ure, wind speed and direction	
	3.) Explain how weather	oatterns affect climate.		
	 Explaining charac 	teristics of various weath	ner systems, including high and low pressure areas	
	or fronts			
	 Interpreting wear 	ther maps and symbols to	predict changing weather conditions	
	 Identifying techn 	ologies used to obtain me	eteorological data	
Unit Essential	How are global weather patterns and			
Questions		hin and among the atmosp	here, biosphere, hydrosphere, and lithosphere have on	
	weather?			
	How do weather patterns affect clim			
Unit Essential	1. continental	24. warm air mass	46. monsoon	
Vocabulary	 continental plain continental tropical 	25. wave cyclone26. lightning	47. yearly temperature range 48. latitude	
	4. maritime polar fog	27. Saffir-Simpson Scale	49. global wind patterns	
	5. tropical air mass	28. thermometer	50. heat absorption	
	6. Gulf of Mexico	29. barometer	51. ocean currents	
	7. maritime polar Pacific	30. tornado alley	52. seasonal winds	
	8. maritime polar Atlantic	31. anemometer	53. topography	
	9. continental polar Canadian		54. rain shadow	
	10. maritime tropical Pacific	33. radiosonde	55. tropical climate	
	11. sea level change	34. radar	56. mid-air latitude climate	
	12. maritime tropical Atlantic 13. cold front	36. air pressure	57. polar climate 58. microclimate	
	14. warm front	37. wind speed	59. subarctic	
	15. stationary front	38. wind direction	60. tundra	
	16. occluded front	39. station model	61. polar ice cap	
	17. midlatitude cyclone	40. weather symbols	62. climatologist	
	18. thunderstorm	41. precipitation	63. global warming	
	19. hurricane	42. climate	64. orbital changes	
	20. tornado	43. specific heat	65. global weather	
	21. squall line	44. El Nino	66. volcanic activity	
Dagawasa	22. cold air mass	45. La Nina	67. World Meteorological Organization	
Resources	Earth Science (2010). Holt McDouga	i and supplemental materia	als	
	Internet access			
	Other supplemental material			
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	Daily Assignments			
	Classroom Discussions			

Course Name:	Earth & Space Science		
Unit Name: Space & Solar System			
Time Frame:	9 days		
Unit	Alabama Course of Study: 4.) Describe the production and transfer of stellar energies. • Describing the relationship between life cycles and nuclear reactions of stars • Describing how the reception of solar radiation is affected by atmospheric and lithospheric conditions Example: volcanic eruptions and greenhouse gases affecting reflection and absorption of solar radiation 8.) Explain the terms astronomical unit and light year. 9.) Relate the life cycle of stars to the H-R diagram. • Explaining indicators of motion by the stars and sun in terms of the Doppler effect and red and blue shifts • Describing the relationship of star color, brightness, and evolution to the balance between gravitational collapse and nuclear fusion 12.) Describe challenges and required technologies for space exploration. • Identifying long-term human space travel needs, including life support • Identifying applications of propulsion technologies for space travel • Identifying new instrumentation and communication technologies needed for space information gathering • Examples: Mars Exploration Rover, Cassini spacecraft and Huygens probe, Gravity Probe B • Identifying benefits to the quality of life that have been achieved through space advances • Examples: cellular telephone, GPS		
	 Identifying new technology used to gather information, including spacecraft, observatories, space- based telescopes, and probes 		
Unit Essential Questions	How was the solar system formed? What has made space exploration possible? In what ways has space exploration influenced every-day human activities?		
Unit Essential Vocabulary	1. solar system 13. Ptolemy model 26. Mars 2. planet 14. Copernicus model 27. Jupiter 3. solar nebula 15. ellipse 28. Saturn 4. planetesimal 16. eccentricity 29. Neptune 5. nebula model 17. sows 30. Uranus 6. inner planets 18. laws of periods 31. meteor 7. outer planets 19. orbital period 32. meteorite 8. Pluto 20. terrestrial 33. perigee 9. outgassing 21. Magellan satellite 34. eclipse 10. argon 23. Venus express 35. oort cloud 11. nitrogen 24. Mercury 12. carbon dioxide 25. Venus		
Resources	Earth Science (2010). Holt McDougal and supplemental materials iPad Internet access Other supplemental materials		
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Course Name:	Earth & Space Science			
Unit Name:	Sun, Stars, & Universe			
Time Frame:	7 days			
Unit Standards	Alabama Course of Study: 6.) Explain the length of a day and of a year in terms of the motion of Earth. • Explaining the relationship of the seasons to the tilt of Earth's axis and its revolution about the sun 7.) Explain techniques for determining the age and composition of Earth and the universe. • Using radiometric age methods to compute the age of Earth • Using expanding universe measurements to determine the age of the universe • Identifying techniques for evaluating the composition of objects in space 11.) Describe pulsars, quasars, black holes, and galaxies.			
Unit Essential Questions	In what ways does the sun influence Earth? How might the Universe have formed? How might the findings of astronomers be confirmed?			
Unit Essential Vocabulary	 astronomy galaxy astronomical unit electromagnetic spectrum telescope 	9. rotation 10. revolution 11. perihelion 12. aphelion 13. equinox	16. radiative zone 17. convective zone 18. photosphere 19. chromosphere 20. corona	23. solar flare 24. prominence 25. aurora
	6. refracting telescope7. reflecting telescope	14. solstice15. nuclear fusion	21. sunspot22. coronal mass ejec	tion
Resources	Earth Science (2010). Holt McDoug iPad Internet access Other supplemental materials	al and supplemental	materials	
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