



New SCIENCE Curriculum Earth Systems Grade 4

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Alberta Regional Professional
Development Consortia

Adult learning for students' sake

Acknowledgment of Land and People

In the spirit of reconciliation, we want to acknowledge that this gathering is taking place on traditional lands across the province of Alberta, home to many diverse First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples. We acknowledge that this land is a traditional meeting ground giving voice to its original peoples and the story of creation of this country in a way that history has forgotten.



The Honorable Harvest - Robin Kimmerer



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Agenda



1. Spiraling Curriculum - Concepts

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6. Surface Level Activities

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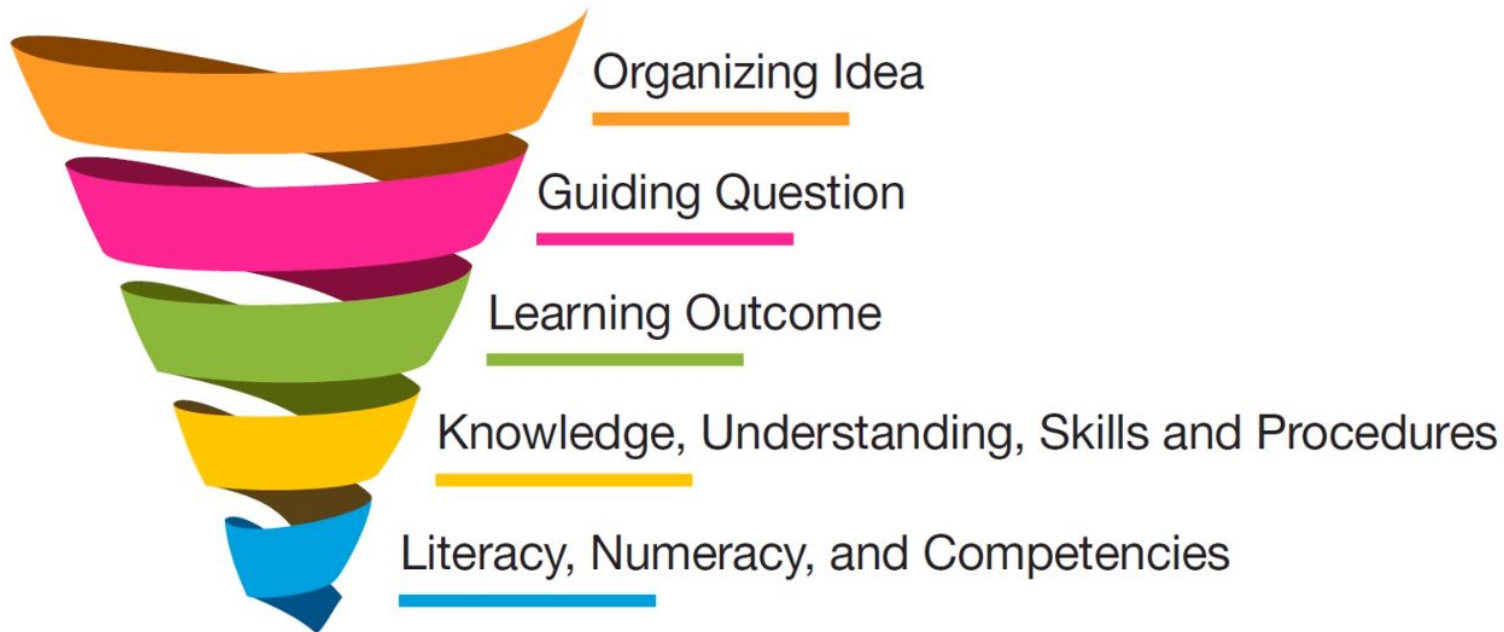
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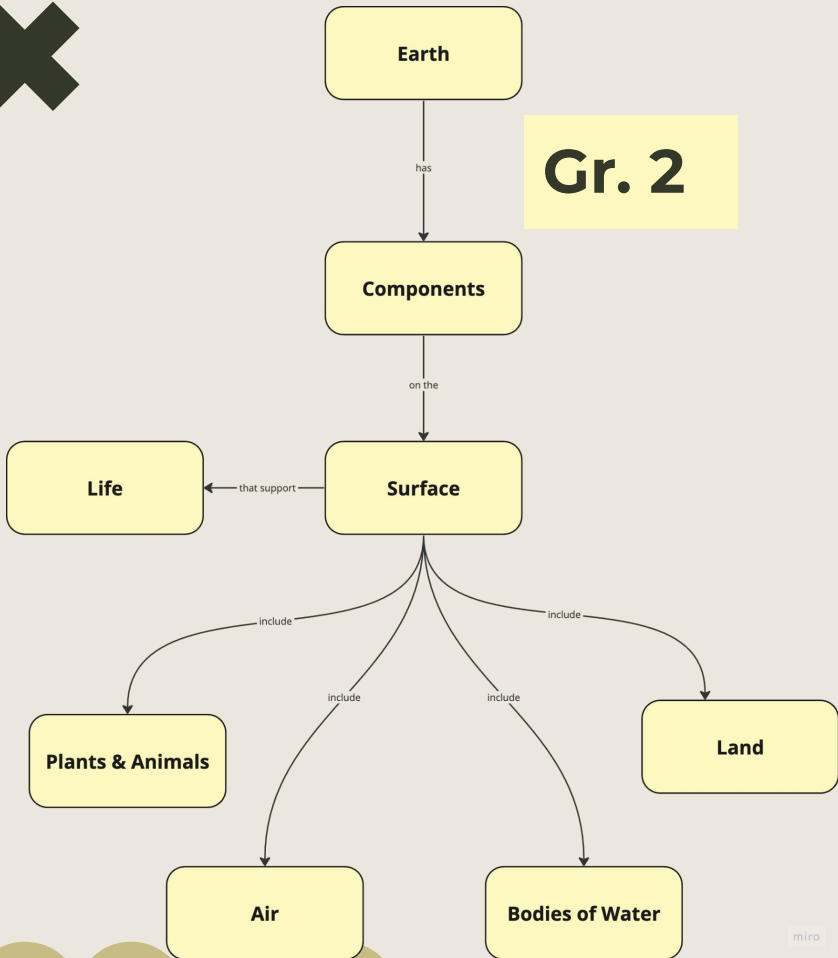


Spiraling Curriculum

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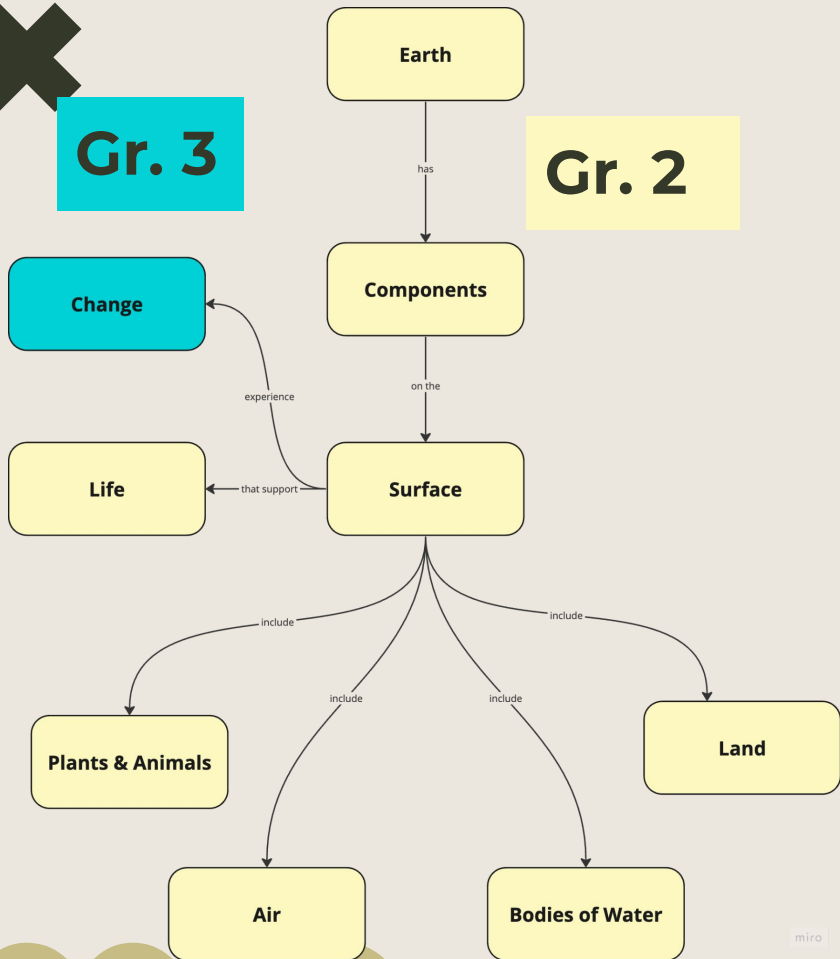
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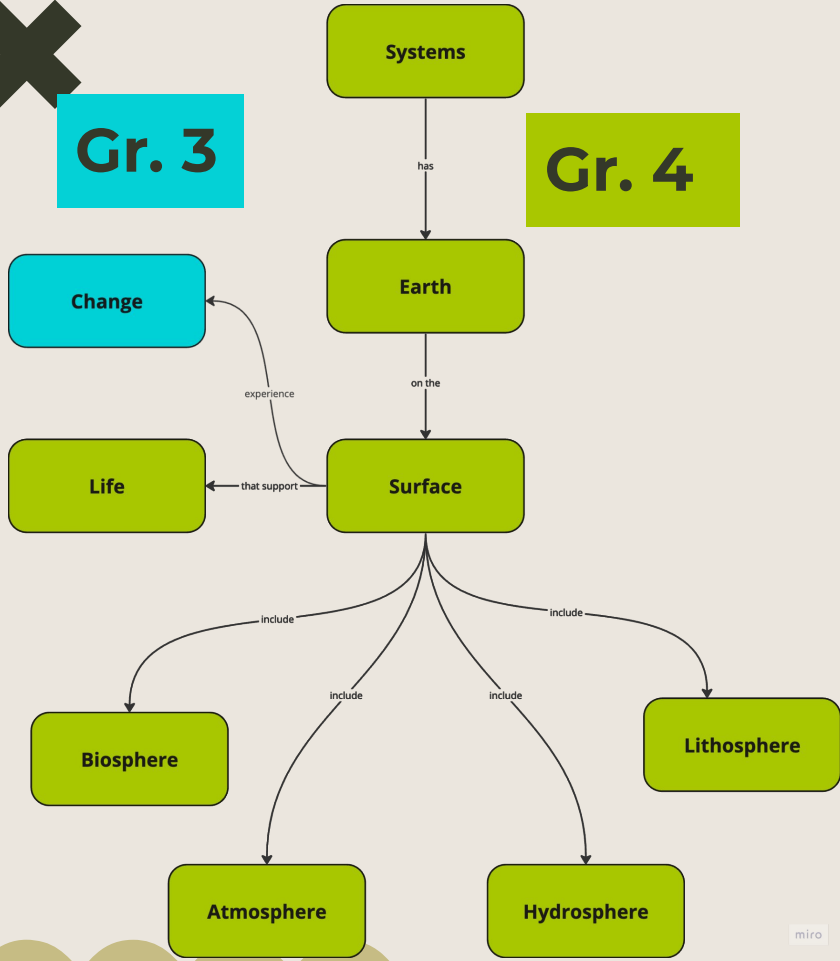
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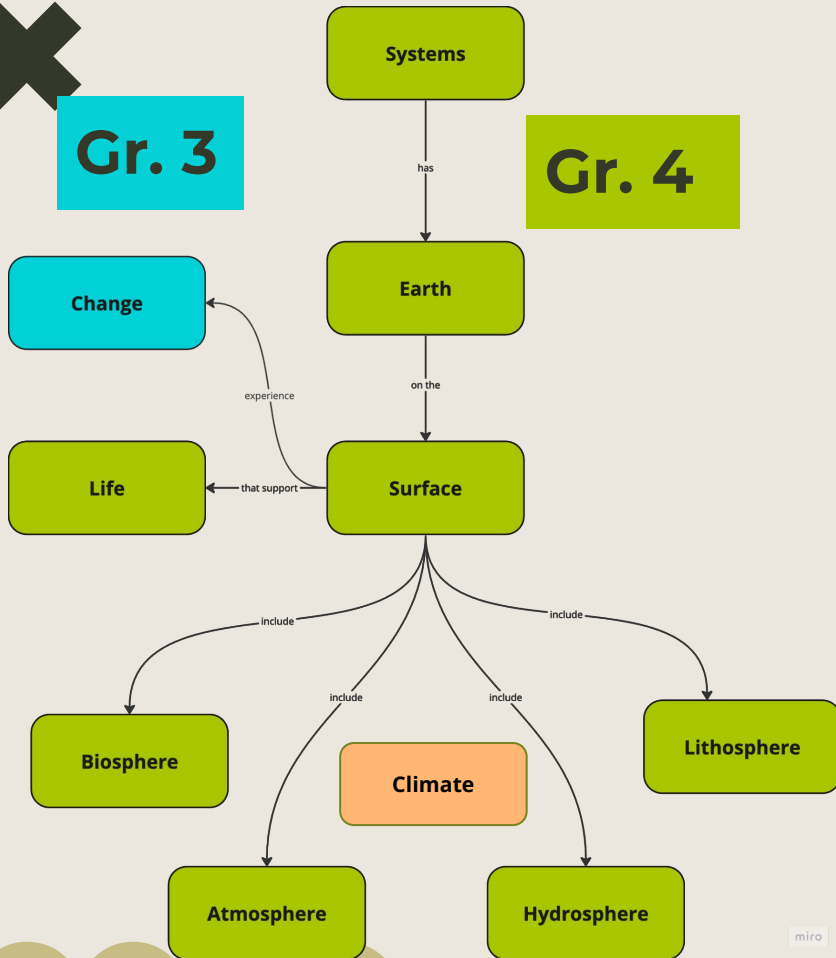
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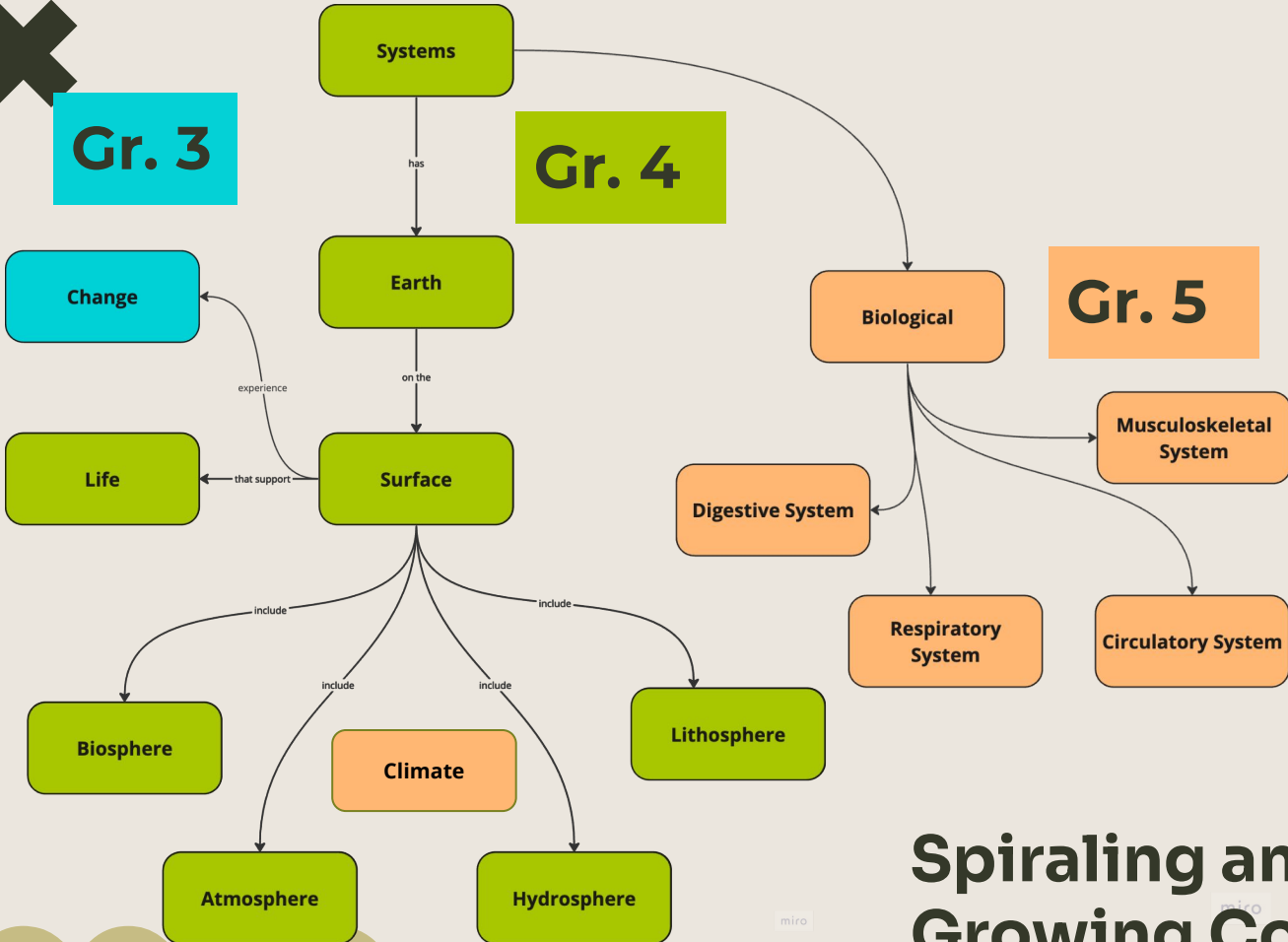
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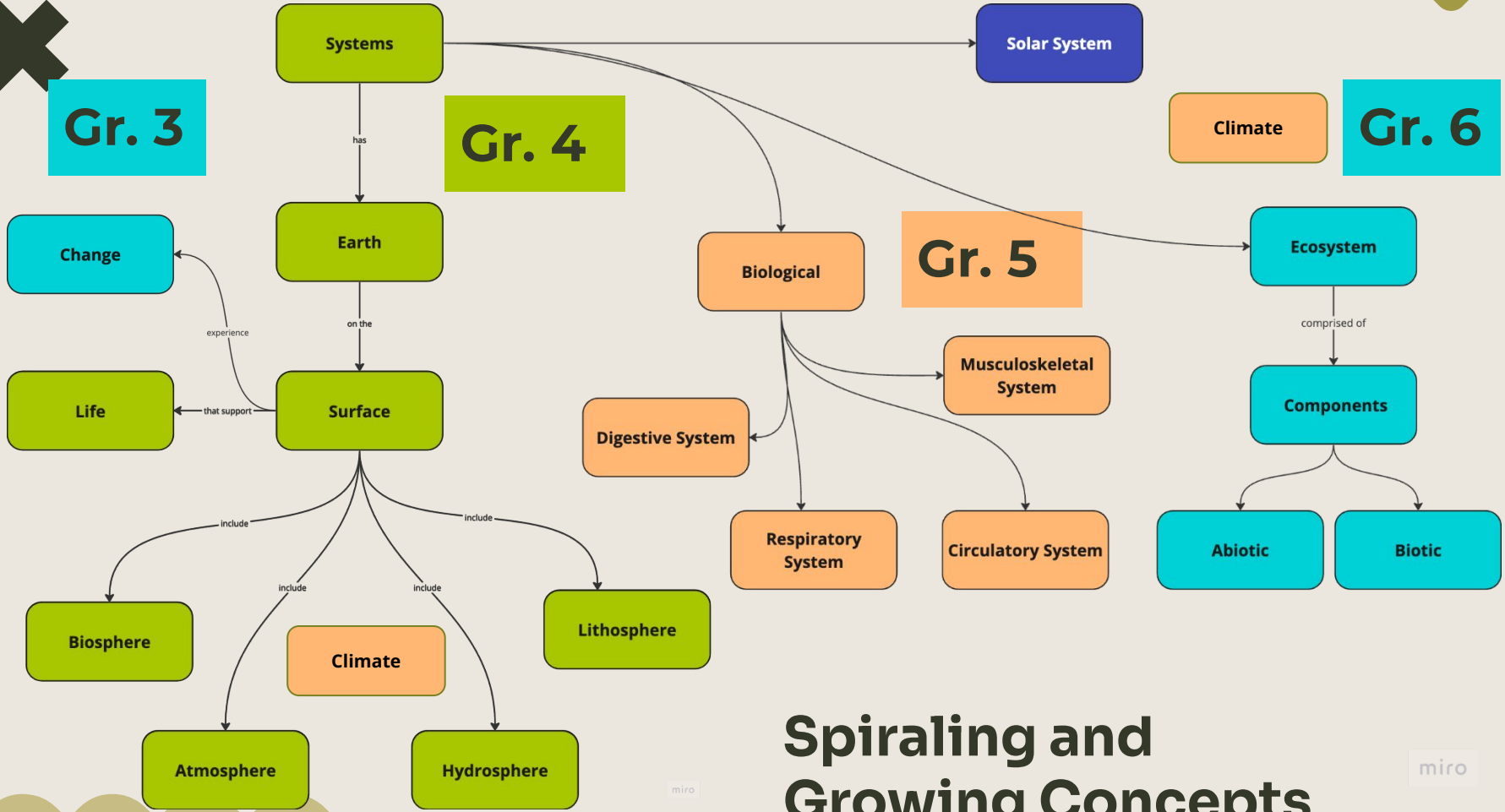


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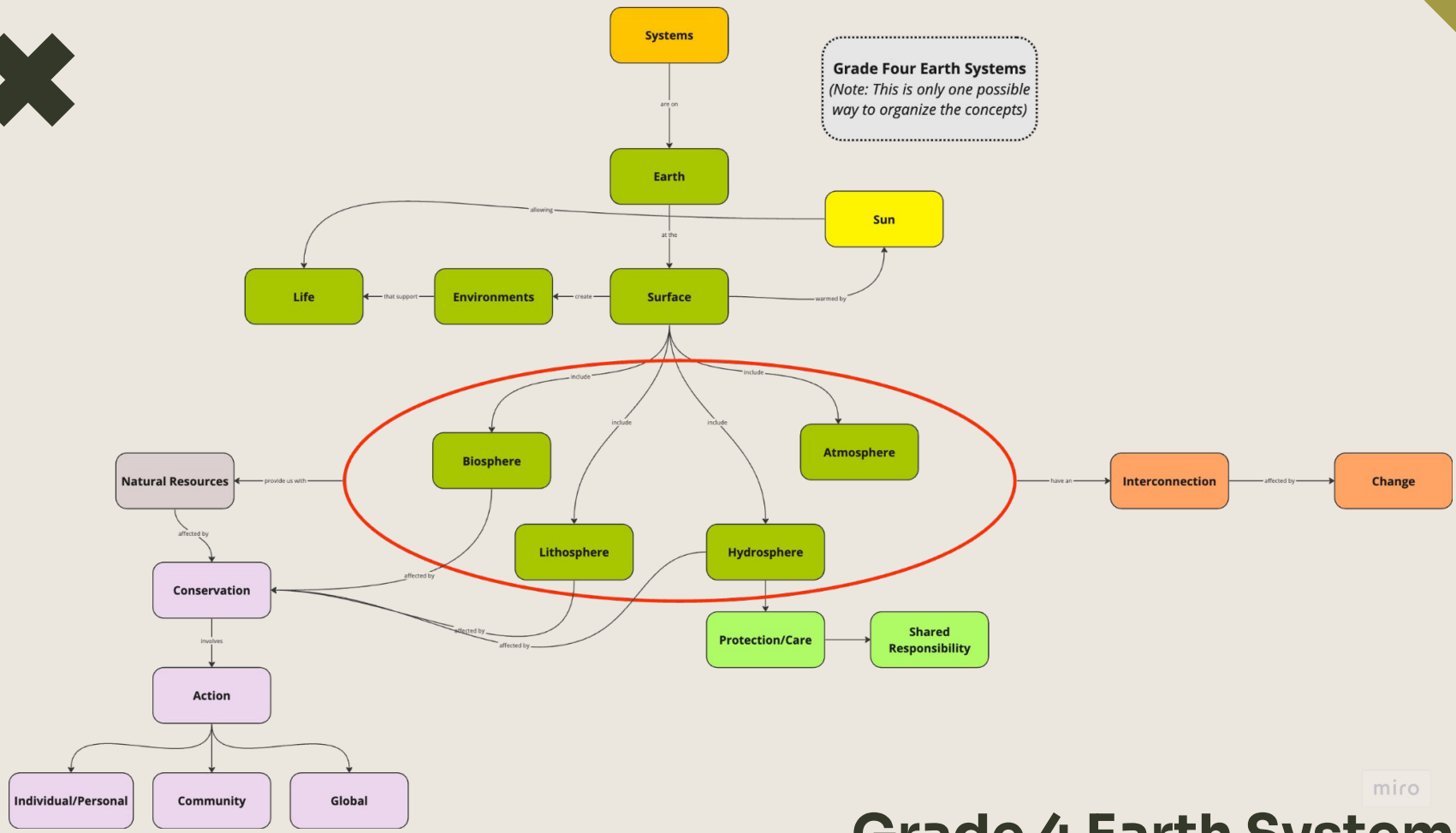
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Spiraling and Growing Concepts



Grade Four Earth Systems
(Note: This is only one possible way to organize the concepts)



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Grade 4 Earth Systems



EARTH SYSTEMS

Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6
Guiding Question: How can environments be explored?	Guiding Question: In what ways can environments change?	Guiding Question: How can Earth's components and relationship to the Sun be understood?	Guiding Question: What visible changes can be identified through examination of Earth's surface?	Guiding Question: How does Earth sustain life?	Guiding Question: How can climate and its effects be understood?	Guiding Question: What factors affect climate?
Learning Outcome: Children examine and describe surrounding environments.	Learning Outcome: Students analyze environments and investigate interactions and changes.	Learning Outcome: Students investigate Earth & its landforms, & its bodies of water & and its relationship to the Sun.	Learning Outcome: Students analyze changes in Earth's surface and explain how layers of the landscape hold stories of the past.	Learning Outcome: Students investigate the systems of Earth and reflect on how interconnections sustain life.	Learning Outcome: Students analyze climate and connect it to weather conditions and agricultural practices.	Learning Outcome: Students investigate climate, changes in climate, and the impact of climate change on Earth.
KEY CONCEPTS			KEY CONCEPTS			
Animal	Change	Axis	Bodies of Water	Care	Weather	Climate Change
Environment	Change: Seasonal	Bodies of Water (wetland, river, lake, glacier, ocean)	Cause	Action	Climate	Interaction
Exploration; Senses	Change: Seasonal: Environment	Components of Earth: land, water, air, plants, human, animals.	Change	Change	Climate Zones	Climate Change Causes
Human	Change: Seasonal: Human Activities	Day	Earth's Surface	Conservation	Patterns	Climate Change: Effects
Objects Natural	Change: Sudden	Earth's Surface	History	Environment	Climate Characteristics	Climate Factors (Location)
Objects: Human-Made	Change: Seasonal: Plants and Animals	Landforms	Human Activities	Interaction	Climate Factors	Personal Actions
Plant	Environment: Responsibility: Care	Life	Intergenerational Knowledge	Interconnection	Weather: Tools: Measuring	Climate Change Observations
Shared Space	Environment	Revolution	Landscape	Life	Weather: Prediction	Extreme Weather
Wonder	Hibernation	Rotation	Landscape Layers	Lithosphere Hydrosphere Biosphere Atmosphere	Climate & Human Activity	Traditional Knowledge
FNMI: Ways of Living Connected to Land	Migration	Saltwater & Freshwater Bodies	Natural Events	Natural Resources	Climate & Animal Activity	FNMI: Impact of climate change on way of living
	Observation; Senses	Water Flow	Plant & Animal Activity	Responsibility	Climate and Agriculture	
	Seasons	Year	Soil	Spherea	Agriculture: Sustainable Practices	
	FNMI: Sense of responsibility and care with nature.		Time	Sunlight	Agriculture: Conservation Practices	
	FNMI: Products made from plants and animals.		Wind Water Ice	Systems	Agriculture: Sustainable Harvesting	
			FNMI: Knowledge of Earth's Surface	Water Resources	Intergenerational Observation	
				FNMI: Interconnectedness of Earth Systems	FNMI: Long-term climate observations	
				FNMI: Laws of Nature and Sacredness of Water	FNMI: Observations and weather predictions	
				FNMI: Conservation		

[Link: Concept Progressions \(ARPCD\)](#)



02

Spiraling Curriculum Skills & Procedures



“Skills and procedures **are what students do to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding.** They are specific skills, methods, tools, strategies, and processes that students will develop as they achieve the learning outcome.”

[Guiding Framework](#)



Learner Outcome Verbs				
	Grade			
	K	1	2	3
Apply Creativity				
Analyze				
Describe				
Examine				
Explain				
Explore				
Follow Instructions				
Interpret Instructions				
Investigate				
Relate				

Learner Outcome Verbs

Verbs are the skills and procedures that students do or perform.

Learner outcome verbs are those verbs that are identified in the learner outcome

[Skills and Procedures K-3 Progressions](#)

Students **analyze** changes in Earth's surface and **explain** how its layers hold stories of the past.

Skills & Process Verbs				
	Grade			
	K	1	2	3
Ask Questions				
Classify (Sort)				
Compare (find similarities and differences)				
Conclude				
Create				
Demonstrate Safety				
Describe				
Design				
Discuss				
Examine				
Explain				
Explore				
Investigate				
Observe				
Predict				
Record Data/Observations				
Relate				
Represent				

4ES1 Learning Outcome: *Students **investigate** the systems of Earth and **reflect** on how their interconnections sustain life.*

E4S1 Understanding: *Earth’s systems include natural resources that are central to human well-being.*

4ES1.3 Skills and Procedures

- **Relate** human activities to changes in Earth’s surface.
- **Relate** activities of plants and animals to changes in Earth’s surface.
- **Compare** activities of plants and animals to changes in Earth’s surface to activities of humans.



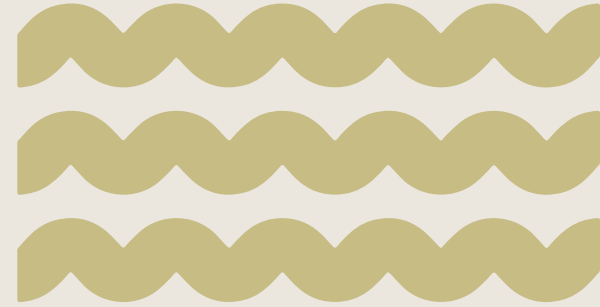
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Spiraling Curriculum Understanding



“Understanding is about putting pieces of knowledge into **logical and meaningful order** with other knowledge.”

[Guiding Framework](#)



Knowledge

- **Human Well-Being**
- **Natural Resources**
- **Earth's Systems**

How can these three concepts can be put into a **logical and meaningful order**?



Understanding

- **Earth's systems** include **natural resources** that are central to **human well-being**.

OR

- **Earth systems** must be protected to ensure **natural resources** are available **for human well-being**.

Knowledge	Understanding 3ES1.3
<p>Natural resources are materials from nature that are used to meet human needs, and include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● air● water● soil minerals metals forests organisms	<p>Earth's systems include natural resources that are central to human well-being.</p>



04

Transfer





Concepts Transfer (Different Contexts)



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Knowledge

**Atmosphere
Biosphere**

**Hydrosphere
Lithosphere**



Understandings Transfer (Different Contexts)

Understanding

Earth's systems interact with one another, resulting in environments that sustain life.



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Teaching for Transfer

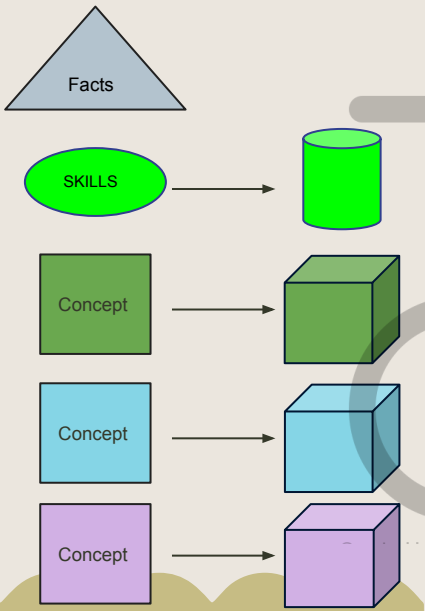


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Hattie, Fisher & Frey: *Visible Learning for Literacy* (2016)

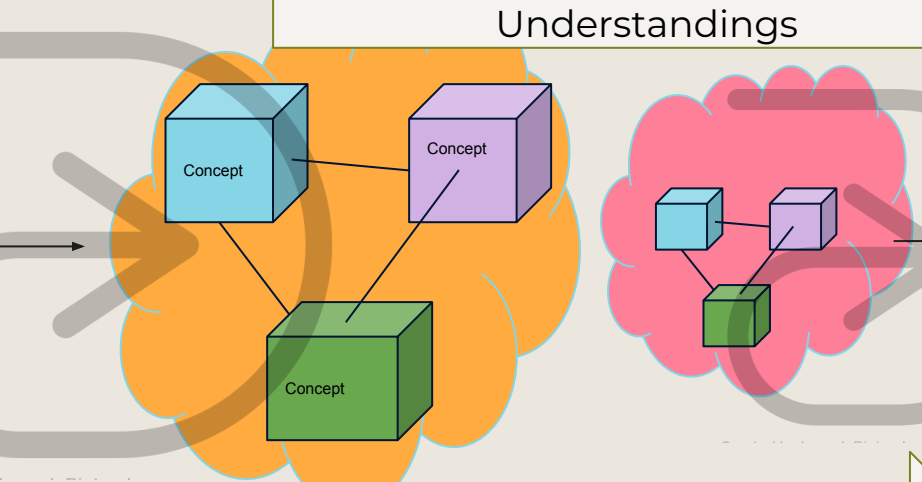
Surface

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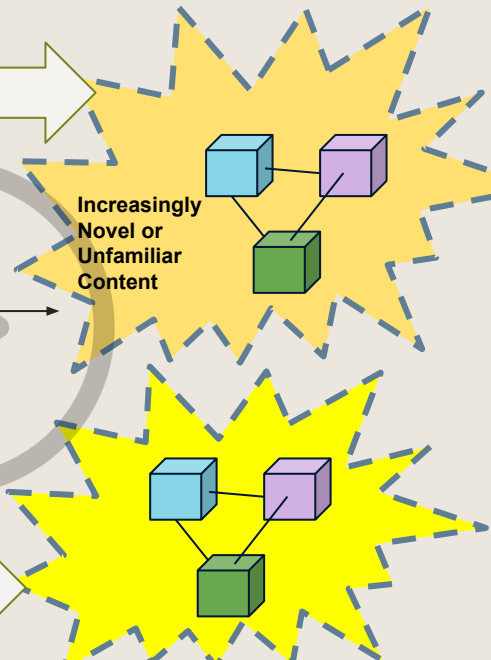
Deep

Students make connections between concepts to create deeper understanding and appropriately skills/ procedures to new situations with increased independence.



Transfer

Students apply concepts, understandings and skills to a variety of novel and unfamiliar contexts.



Planning



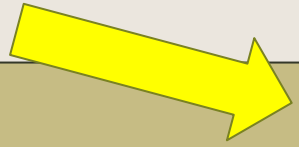
**Begin
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Stephen R. Covey, 1989

**Backward
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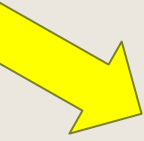
Grant Wiggins & Jay McTighe, 1998





Learning Outcome

4ES1: Students **investigate the systems of Earth and **reflect** on how their interconnections sustain life.**



What will students do to demonstrate their learning?
Investigate this Problem: What interconnection exists between Earth's spheres (including human activity) in the boreal forest (also called taiga)

Include natural resources, change, and conservation in your conclusion.

What will students need to know and/or understand in order to be successful?

Earth's Spheres | Relationship | Interconnection | Change | Conservation | Natural Resources | Human Activity

What will students need to be able to do in order to be successful?

Investigate | Research Skills



Learning Outcome

Students **investigate** the systems of Earth and reflect on how their interconnections sustain life.

Understandings

4ES1.1 Earth's systems interact with one another, resulting in environments that sustain life.

4ES1.2 Earth's surface is warmed by the Sun, allowing for life.

3ES1.3 Caring for water and water sources is a shared responsibility.

4ES1.4 Earth's systems are interconnected and can be impacted by small changes.

4ES1.5 Earth's systems include natural resources that are central to human well-being.

4ES1.6 Conservation can impact land, natural resources, and organisms.
Many First Nations, Métis, and Inuit practise traditional methods of conservation, including taking only what is needed.

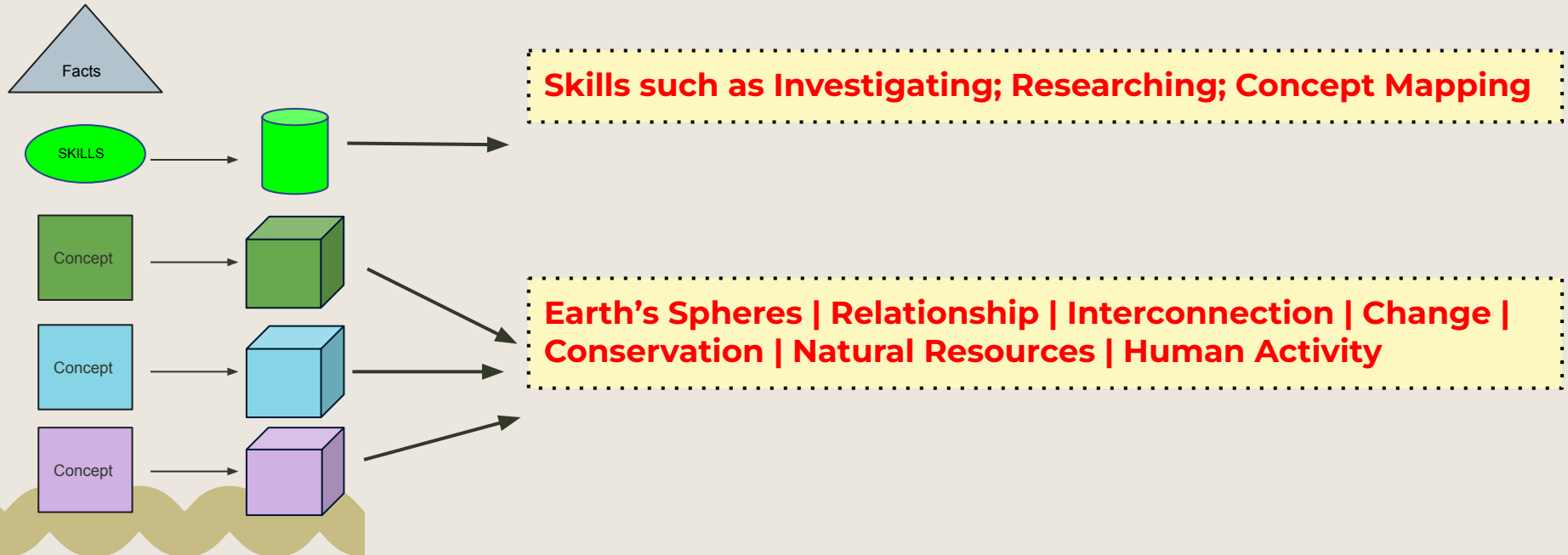
4ES1.7 Conservation of Earth's systems involves personal, community, and global action.

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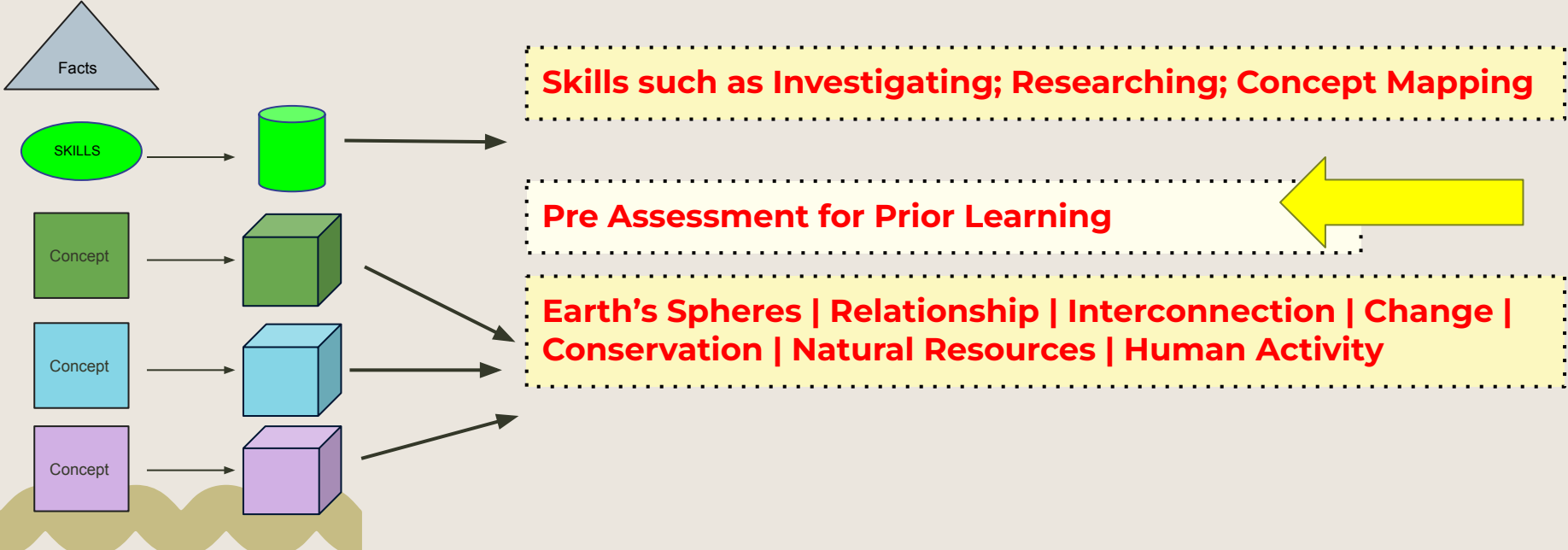


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Prior Learning

What concepts from previous grades are important?



Environments

To the Teacher: Ask if anyone has heard the word...what do they think it means. You could start a list of words (explanations) on chart paper or the board that could be used to create a definition of what it means and what it includes.

The following 3 slides, focus on what they see and not on differentiating between natural and man-made. After discussing their notices and wonders, ask again what they think an environment is.





What is an environment?

**How would you describe it in
your own words?**



[What is an Environment?: Concept Attainment](#)



Man-Made or Natural?

What do these mean?

The Earth System



M. Ruzek, 1996

Landforms of Alberta

Plateaus

Head
Smashed
In Buffalo
Jump



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Mountains

Mount
Edith
Cavell



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Valleys

Dinosaur
Provincial
Park



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Prairies
Drumheller
Prairies



Landforms on Earth have varying characteristics.

Slopes



Zhang Yu @ Dreamtime

Size



Terrain



Peyto Lake @Pixabay20

Landforms - What are they?



Write down the terms in the picture. Listen for what they are in the presentation.

Water, Water Everywhere!

Earth's surface is covered mostly by bodies of water.

Do you have any water near where you live or go to school? What type of water is it?



Water

Water on Earth's Surface

oceans

glaciers

lakes

wetlands

rivers

Water in Alberta

glaciers

lakes

wetlands

rivers

What are the characteristics of the different 'waters' in Alberta?

Glaciers

Glaciers are huge, thick masses of ice. They form when lots of snow falls in one location for many years. Over time—decades or centuries—the snow on the bottom gets squished down by the weight of falling new snow. This compressed snow becomes ice, forming a glacier.

Can a glacier move? Explain.

National Parks Service

Wetlands

Wetlands are areas where the land does not drain well.

The ground in a wetland is saturated, or full of water.

Often the ground is covered with shallow water.

Wetlands are usually classified as swamps, marshes, or bogs.

Source: Britannica for Kids

Lakes



Source: Lily Uits Learning - How are lakes formed?

Rivers

Important characteristics of a river.

Source: Study 'n' Learn

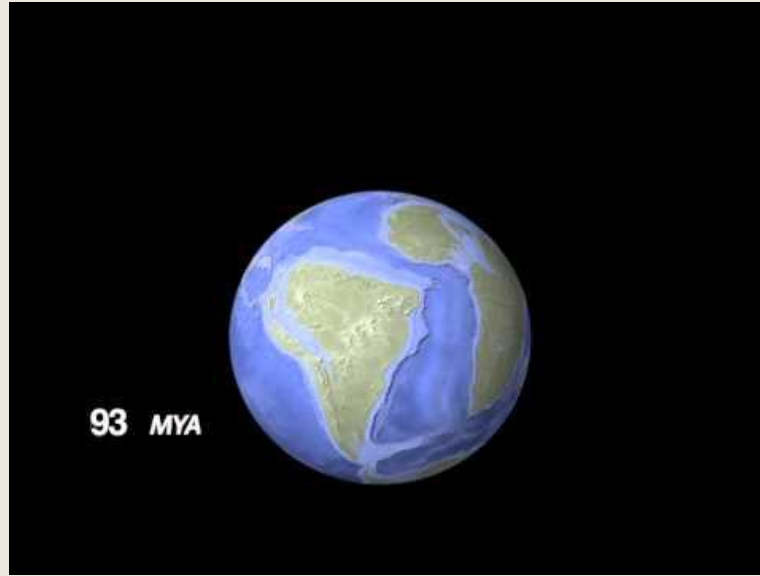


Plate Movement over the last 200 Million Years Ago to Today

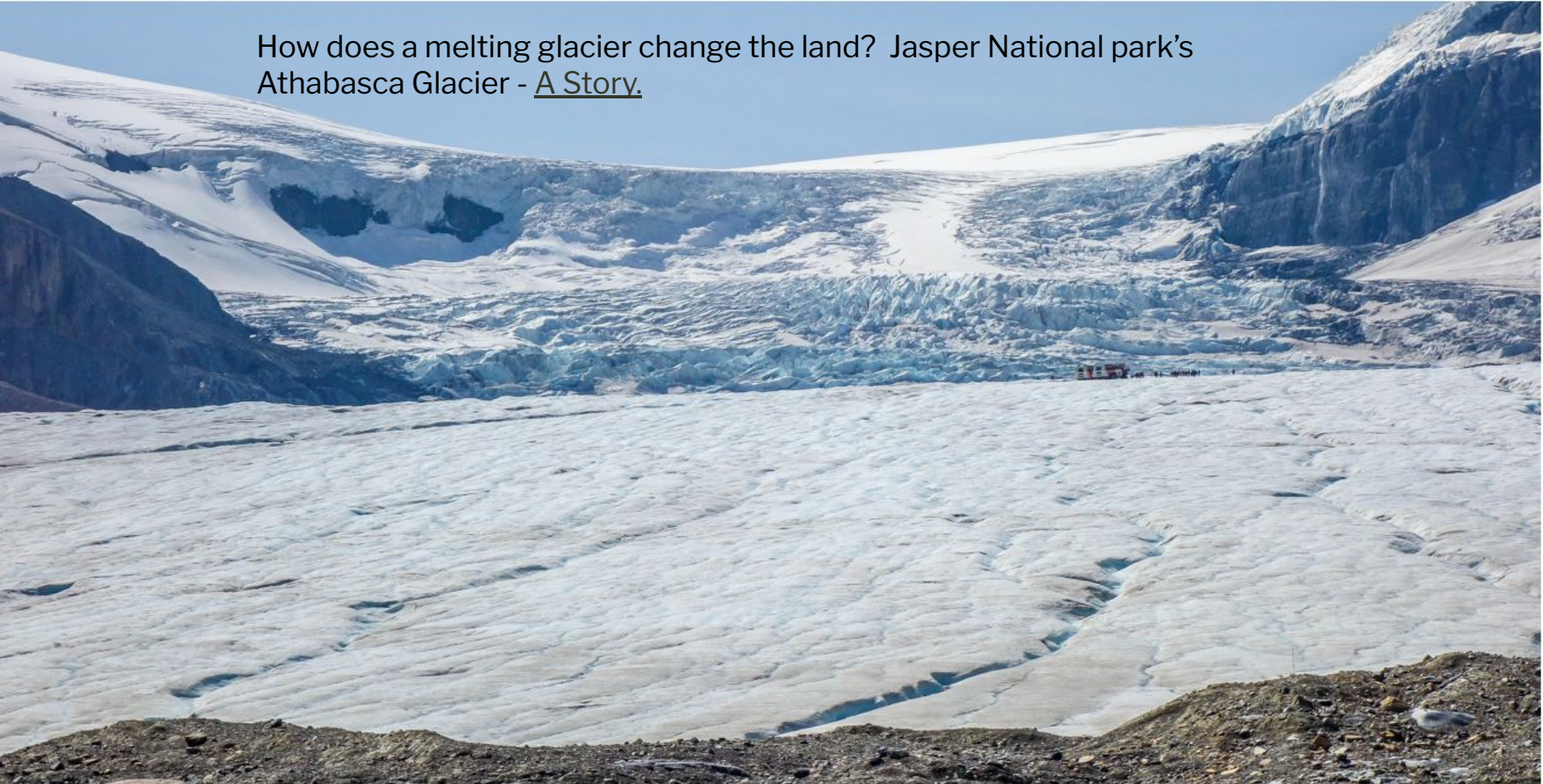
How do you think it will look in the next 200 Million Years? Why can't we feel the movement?



Go

How does human activity change the face of the earth?

How does a melting glacier change the land? Jasper National park's Athabasca Glacier - [A Story](#).



The Athabasca Glacier On-Top.ca

<http://www.on-top.ca/Outings/2021/Toe-of-the-Athabasca-Glacier-August-2021.html>

Our Friends of the Past - Dinosaurs

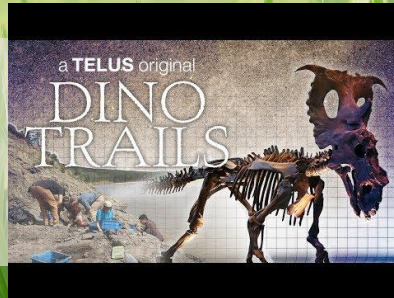
Excavating

Fossils

**albertosaurus
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nodosaur
tyrannosaur**

**Dino Cache: Grande
Cache's World Class
Trackway.**

People and Peaks Production



Grande Prairie

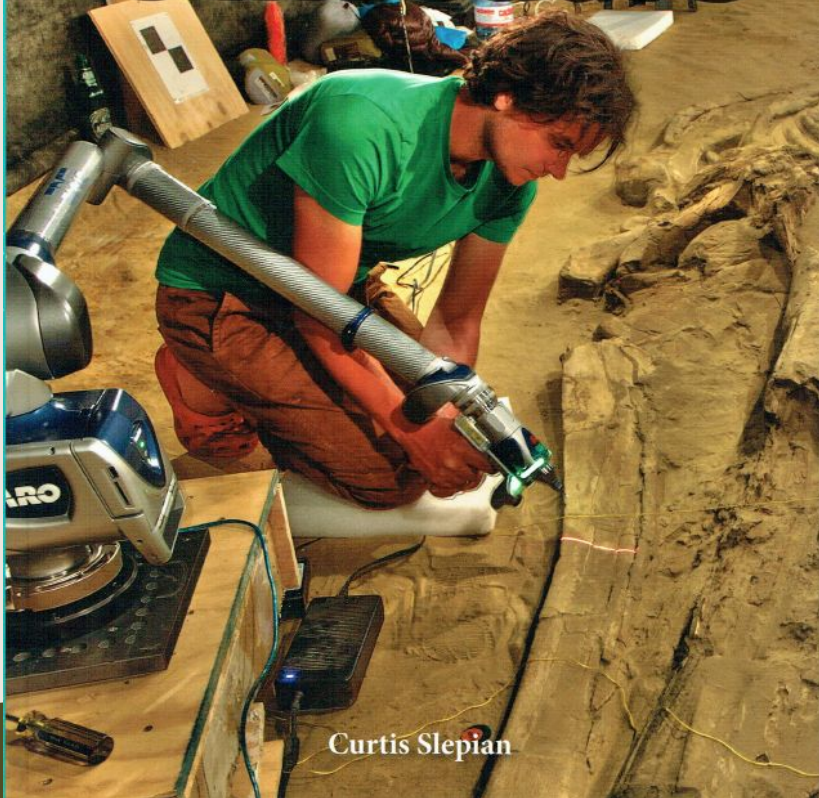


Dinosaur Provincial Park



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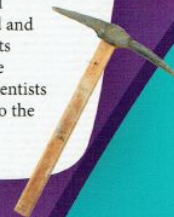
Digging Up Dinosaurs



Curtis Slepian

Digging Up Dinosaurs

Many people go to museums to see dinosaur fossils. But visitors would never get to see these displays without the work of paleontologists. They locate fossils, dig them out, and send them to labs to be cleaned and preserved. At museums, experts decide how to best display huge dinosaur bones. Learn how scientists bring these ancient animals into the modern world.



History & Culture



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Digging Up Dinosaurs by Curtis Slepian, Teacher Created Materials - Smithsonian Institute (2019) - Available through Pearson.

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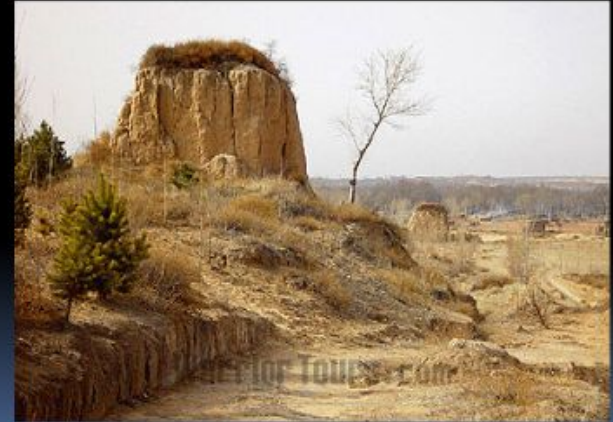
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06

Surface Level Activities – All Aboard Spaceship Earth!

Surface Level Instructional Approaches


INTENT: Introduce and begin developing Individual Concepts (Knowledge) and Skills and Procedures

- Concept Attainment Strategy
 - Frayer Model
 - SEEI (State - Explain - Exemplify - Illustrate)
 - Card Sorts/Classify
 - Students Making/Finding examples & non-examples.
 - Show a photo. Ask students how the concept you are studying is evident in the photo (eg. symmetry, empathy, authority, conflict, etc.)
 - Diamond Ranking.
 - Making Analogies (“diversity” is like ..., “motivation” is like ..., “our senses are like ...”)
 - Case Studies
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Sample Activities (Surface)

While planning surface activities, consider these ideas.

- System (Under Revision) (Grade 2 - Components)
- Relationship
 - Concept Map
 - Cause and Effect
 - Dependence
 - Affect/Effect
 - Interaction
 - Interconnection
- Human Activity
- Change (Introduction)
 - Change and Time
 - Criteria
 - Significant Change
 - Positive/Negative Statements
- Investigation (From Grade 2 Scientific Methods)
 - Asking Questions (Notice and Wonder)
 - Observing (Using senses)
 - Analyzing
 - Prediction and Predicting
 - Conclusion
 - Sample Introduction to Research as an Investigation (Gr. 3)
 - One Point Research Rubric (Gr. 4-6)
- Representation
- Earth's Spheres (Slides 56-75)
- Resources and Natural Resources
- Conservation (Slide 77)



Earth Systems:
Welcome to Aboard
Spaceship Earth!

If YOU went on a Spaceship, what would you need to take with you?



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Possible Unit



Earth's
Systems

Earth as a Spaceship - a Closed System

Item 2

Understanding Earth's Spheres

Item 3

Human Earth Relationship

Item 4

Case Studies and Transfer

Item 5

Resources

Earth's Spheres



Brainstorm with a partner. Name the four spheres.

[note to teacher: students would not be expected to explain specifics of any of the spheres after these initial introductions]



Earth's Four Spheres: Who Am I?



Who Am I?

I am made up of five layers. I am made up of a combination of many gases. I am helping to protect life on Earth. The prefix of my name means "air."

The image is a collage of four distinct atmospheric scenes arranged in a 2x2 grid. The top-left quadrant shows a volcanic eruption with bright orange and yellow lava flows against a dark, smoky sky. The top-right quadrant depicts a dramatic storm with dark, heavy clouds, bright white lightning bolts striking down, and rain falling. The bottom-left quadrant features a lush green forest with tall, thin trees and dense foliage. The bottom-right quadrant shows a large, powerful ocean wave with white foam curling over. In the center of the collage is a large white circle with a dark blue border, containing the word "atmosphere" in a bold, dark blue, sans-serif font.

atmosphere



Atmosphere

What is the atmosphere? What impact would it have on life without it?

Our Atmosphere

- A gaseous shell that surrounds our earth.
- Made up of Oxygen (21%), Nitrogen (78%) Carbon Dioxide (0.04%), Argon (0.9%) and Water Vapour.
- Air is important for life. During respiration living things take in oxygen and give off carbon dioxide. Plants take in carbon dioxide, combined with sunlight to make and give off oxygen so they are our best friends!
- Air can hold water (humidity) and when humidity is high, it forms rain.
- Our atmosphere is a protective cushion for our earth. It keeps us from getting too hot or too cold by protecting us from the sun infrared rays.
- Air can move in the form of wind.

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Atmosphere (for individual classroom use only)



Learn with us

The background of the slide is a collage of four nature scenes. In the top left, a volcano erupts with bright orange and yellow lava flows. In the top right, a dark, stormy sky is lit by several bright white lightning bolts. In the bottom left, a lush green forest with tall trees is shown. In the bottom right, a large, white-capped wave is crashing. A large white circle with a blue border is centered on the slide, containing the text.

Who Am I?

I am all water found on Earth. Bodies of water such as lakes, rivers, and glaciers are all part of me.

A central white oval with a blue border contains the word "hydrosphere" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. The background is a collage of four nature scenes: a volcanic eruption with orange and yellow lava flows, a dark storm with bright white lightning bolts, a lush green forest with tall trees, and a large, curling blue and white wave.

hydrosphere



Our Hydrosphere

- Includes all water on earth
- Interacts with all other spheres (it sometimes called the water sphere) - remember the water cycle - how do you think these are related?
- 70% of earth is covered by water - most of it salt water
- The rest is freshwater - what we need to live and survive.

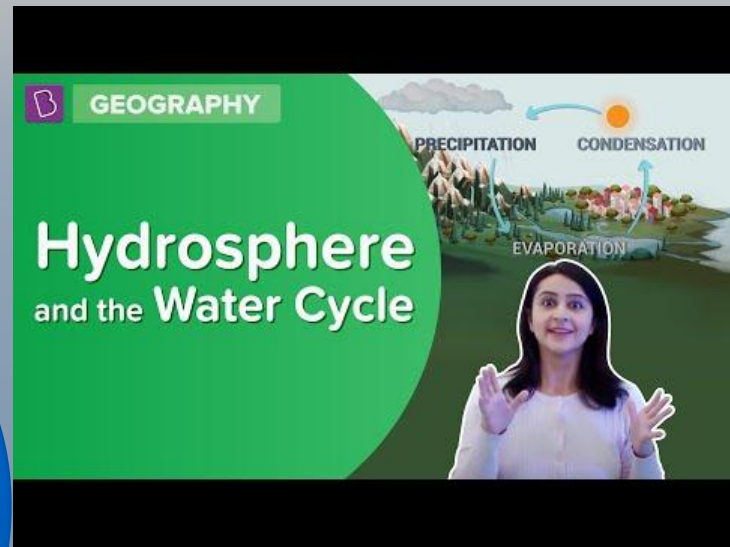
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Learn with us



Why does the earth look so blue from outer space?



[This video shows not only the components of the hydrosphere but also reviews the water cycle]



Who Am I?

I am the part of Earth that includes rocks and minerals. Landforms such as mountains, volcanoes, and canyons are all part of me.



lithosphere

What is the Lithosphere?

- The lithosphere is the solid rock that covers the planet. This includes the crust, as well as the very uppermost part of the mantle, which is solid rock.
- All of the rock on Earth, from the mountains to the sea floor, is included in the lithosphere.



THE LITHOSPHERE



Lithosphere

- Outermost part of layer of the earth - crust.
- It is where plants, trees, land for agriculture and human homes and life exists.
- It is where we would find the tectonic plates which provide earth with change.

LAYERS OF EARTH

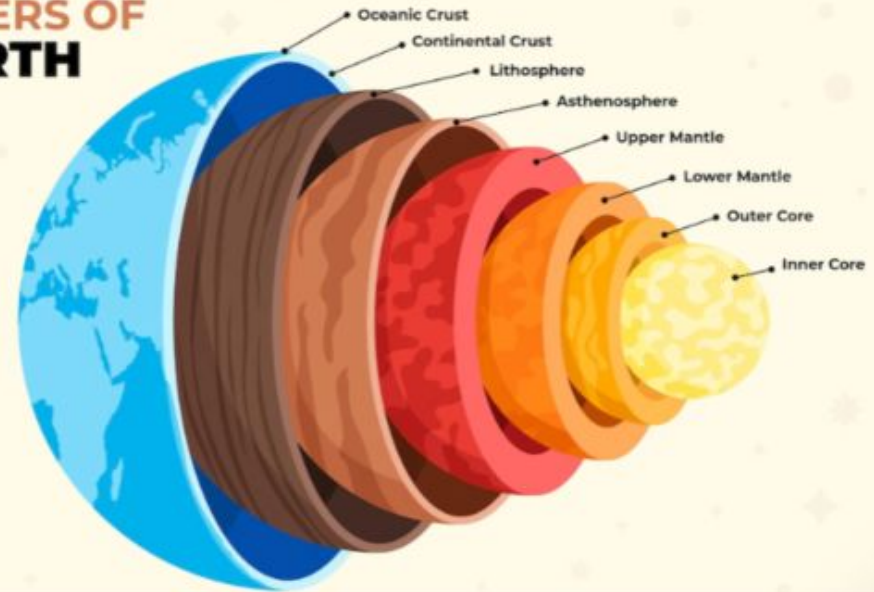


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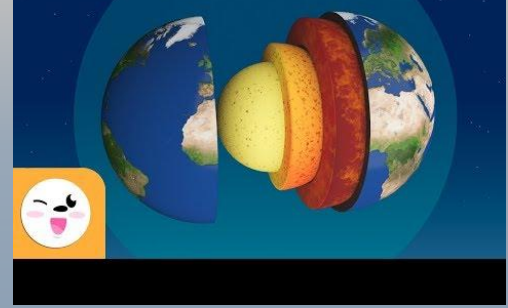
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Who Am I?

I am made up of all the living things on Earth. Plants, animals, and microbes are part of me.



biosphere



Stop at 1:46



The Biosphere
Start at 1:13 - 1:33 -

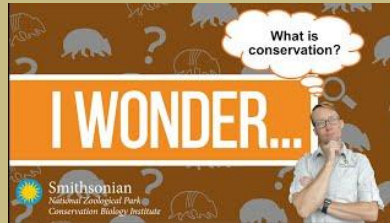
Conservation

Conservation is the **preservation** and **protection** of Earth's systems from pollution, depletion, or extinction.

- Protection means keeping something safe and making sure it doesn't get hurt or damaged.
- Preservation means taking care of things and keeping them safe for the future.

Note: Habitats are environments where plants or animals establish a home. (Gr. 3 Earth Systems)

What are examples of conservation in these videos?





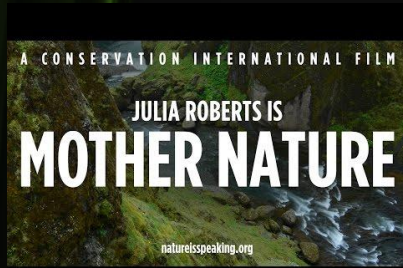
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Deep Level Activities

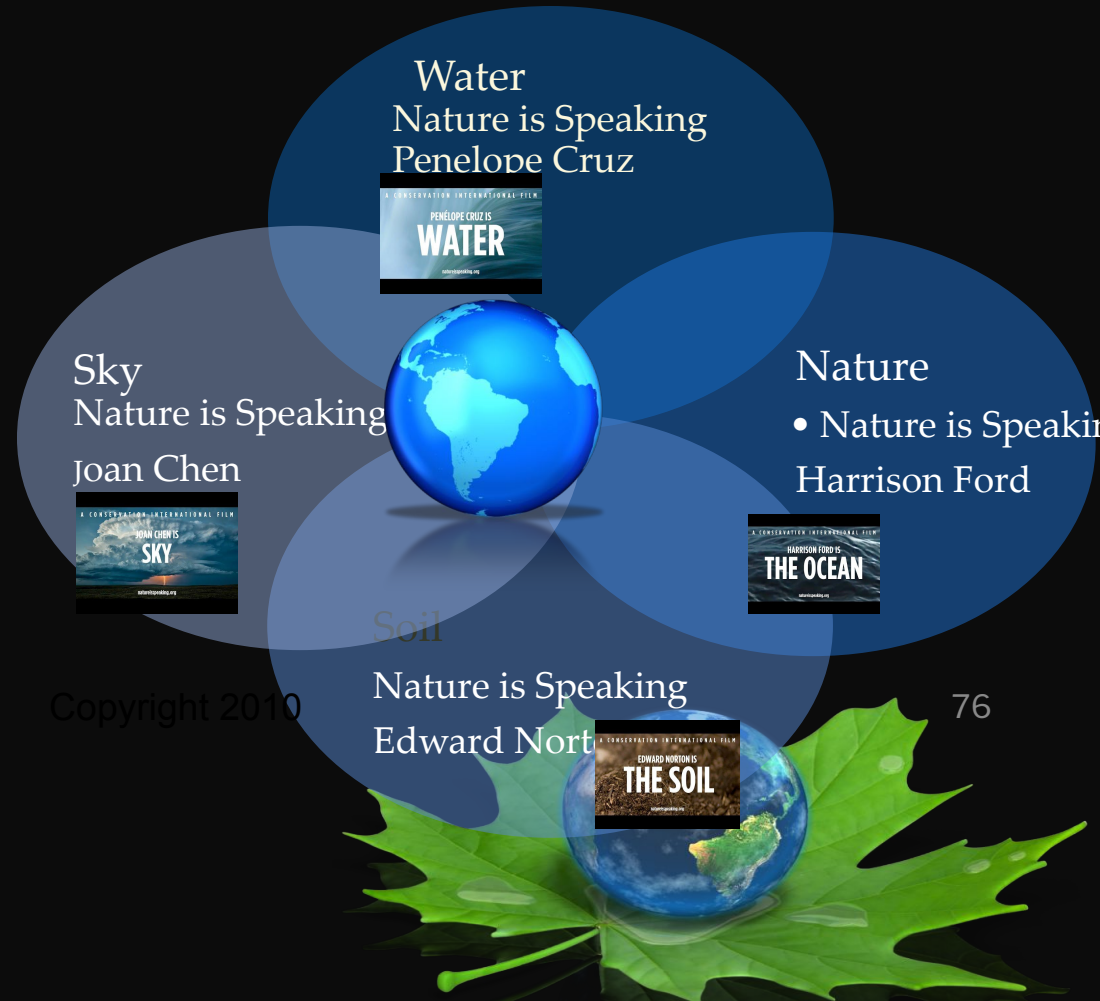


Conservation

This chart utilizes Smart Art which is feature in PowerPoint 2007 or higher. If you wish to make charts like this and don't have PPT 2007, we have provided the graphical elements to help you build this yourself.



Nature is Speaking Series



Human-Earth Relationship

Deep/Transfer

Conservation: group efforts to restore, and protect Canada's Natural and cultural heritages.

- Impact land, natural resources, organisms
- Maintain water for living things - how plants and animals use water
- Minimize disturbance and impact on plants, animals and land

How do we balance the human use with conservation of land, plants, animals and resources?

Relationships

How does human activity impact the relationship between land, air, water and organisms?

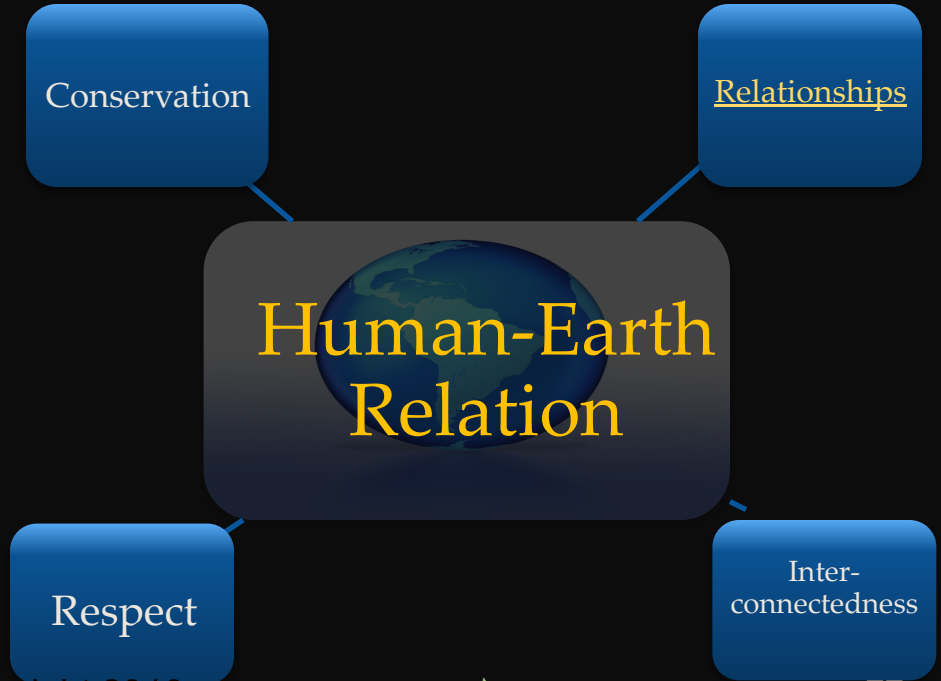
Interconnectedness

How are land, air, water and organisms interconnected?

Respect

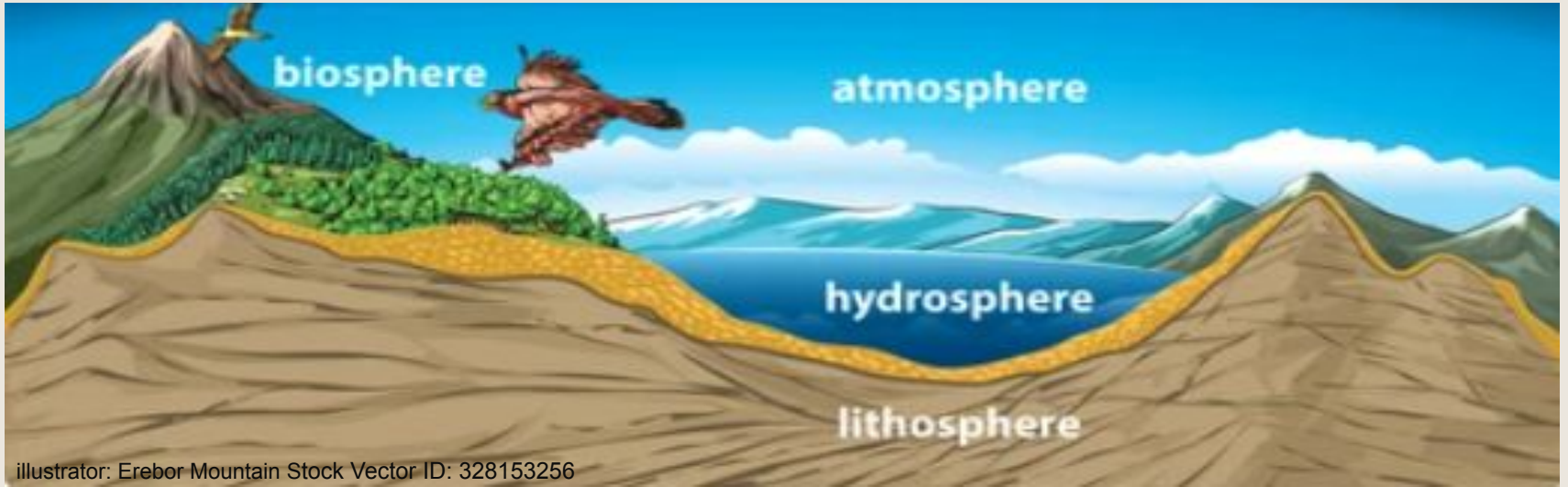
"Water is the blood of Mother Earth and, as such, cleanses not only herself, but all living things" (Honouring Water, Assembly of First Nations, 2012)

How are all people responsible for the care of water and water sources?



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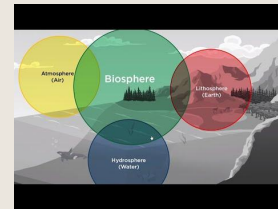




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How are these spheres interrelated?

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Earth's Interconnected Cycles

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Transfer & Assessment



Sample Video Resources

- [5 Big Reasons to Conserve Canada's Boreal Forest](#) (1:20_
- [Take a journey through the Boreal Forest in Fort McMurray](#) (2:23)
- [In Boreal Forest, Indigenous Leader Bridges Environmental Divides](#) (6:45)
- [Indigenous Hunter Keeps Traditions Alive in Boreal Forest](#) (6:17)
- [The Boreal Forest: A Bird Haven](#) (2:36)
- [How BIG is Canada's Boreal Forest?](#) (0:46)
- [Taiga Animals and Plants](#)
- [Biomes and Climate Change: The Boreal Forest](#)

Sample Summative Assessment

Investigate this Problem: What is the interconnectedness between Earth's spheres including human activity (biosphere) in the boreal forest (also called taiga).

Include natural resources and conservation in your conclusion.

BIOSPHERE
(including humans)

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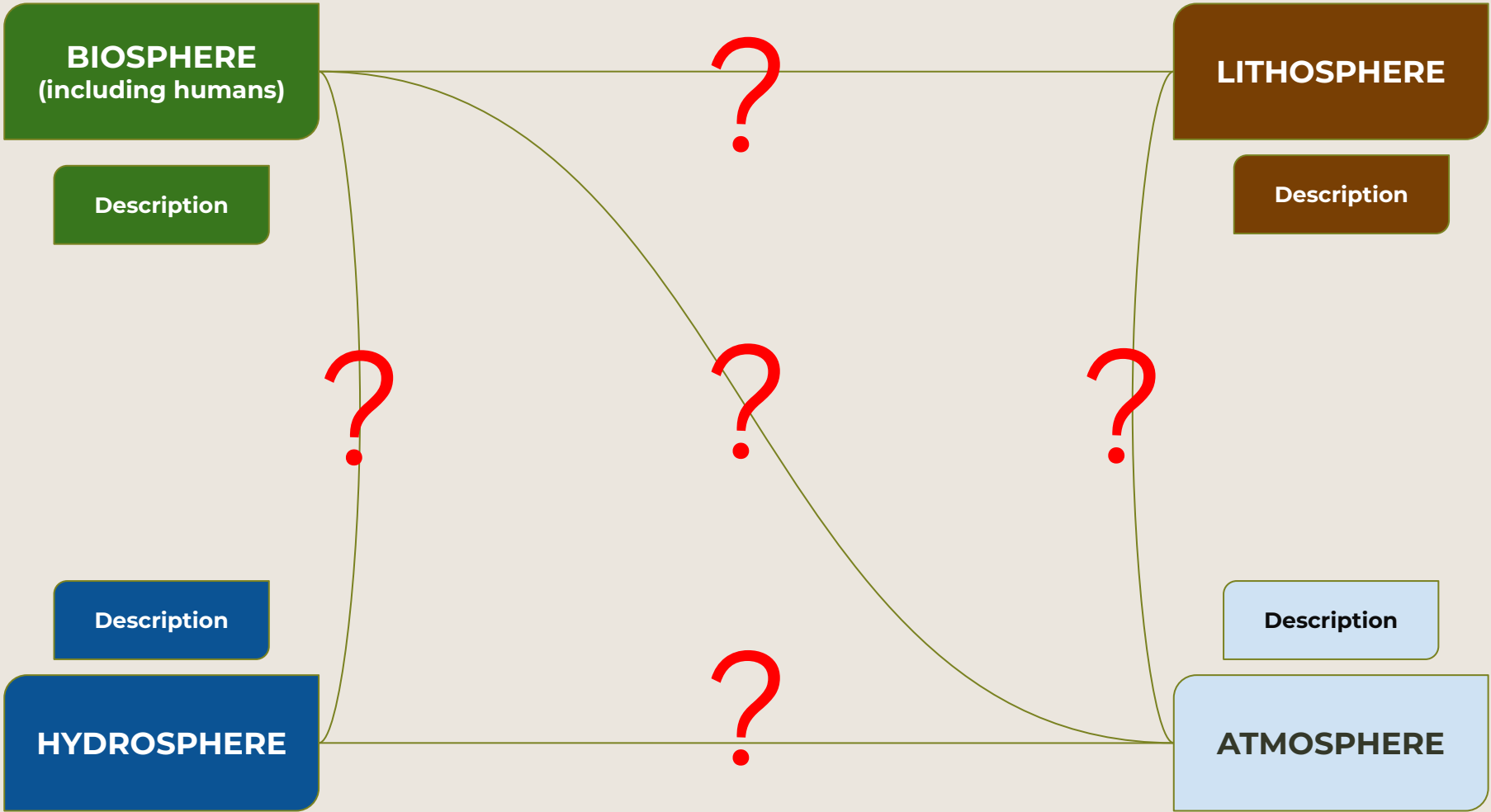
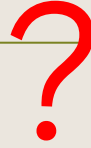
HYDROSPHERE

LITHOSPHERE

Description

Description

ATMOSPHERE



Resources



Sources to Consider

Related to Earth's Spheres



NATIONAL
GEOGRAPHIC

Learn with us

Consider searching for Atmosphere, Lithosphere, Biosphere, and Hydrosphere and using materials provided for individual classroom use



Earth's Spheres Part 1



Earth's Spheres Part 2

Earth's Spheres Gree Games and Activities

Earth's Spheres Jeopardy - up to 10 teams



Sources to Consider

Water for Living Things

[Simply Science](#) - Water sources for animals; adaptations for plants

[Science Learning Hub](#)
Covers all Earth Systems

[Earth and Life Science](#) - contains an module and quiz (Government of the Philippines)

[Connect the Spheres: Earth Systems Interactions](#). (NASA Education)

Sources to Consider

Related to Earth's Spheres

Respecting the Water Sacred Relationships

The Curriculum

Grade 5 Science – Wetland Eco-Systems

- Eleven Lesson Plans
- Six Online Videos

Grade 5 Social Studies – Histories and Stories of Ways of Life in Canada

- Four Lesson Plans
- Four Online Videos

Grade 6 Science – Evidence and Investigation

- Three Lesson Plans
- Three Online Videos

Grade 6 Social Studies – Citizens Participating in Decision Making

- One Lesson Plan
- One Online Video



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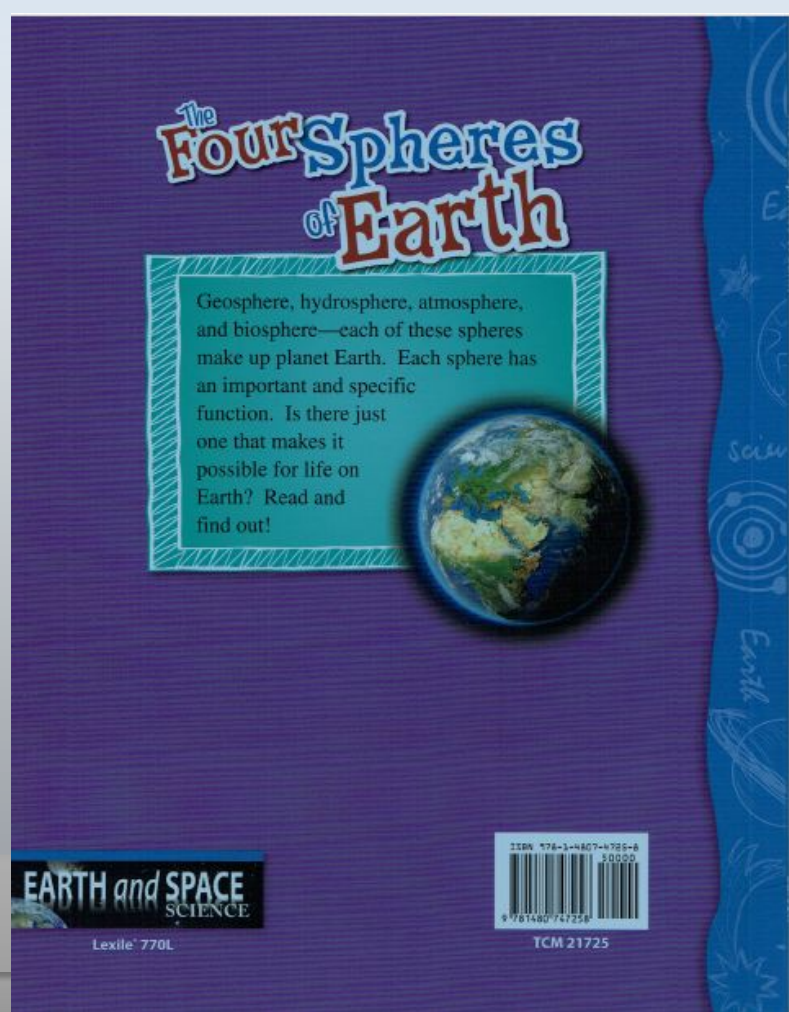
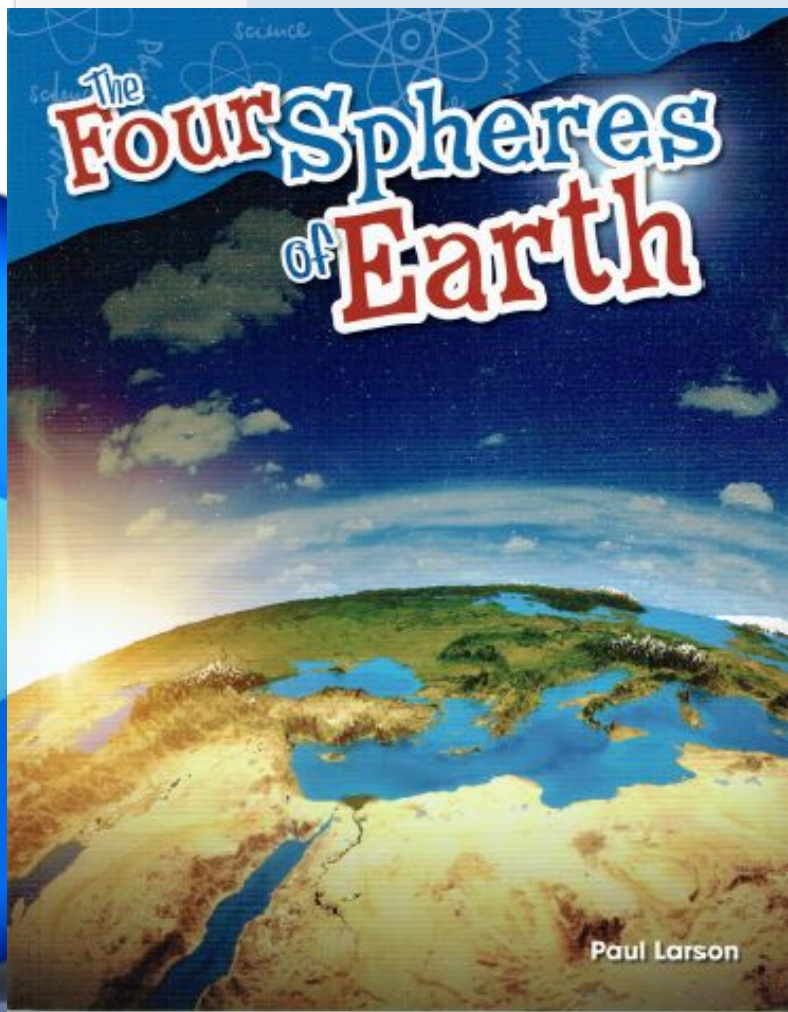
What is Water?

Water

Link

OLogy: American Museum of Natural History

Sacred Relationships - Importance
of Water and Wetlands



The Four Spheres of Earth

Geosphere, hydrosphere, atmosphere, and biosphere—each of these spheres make up planet Earth. Each sphere has an important and specific function. Is there just one that makes it possible for life on Earth? Read and find out!



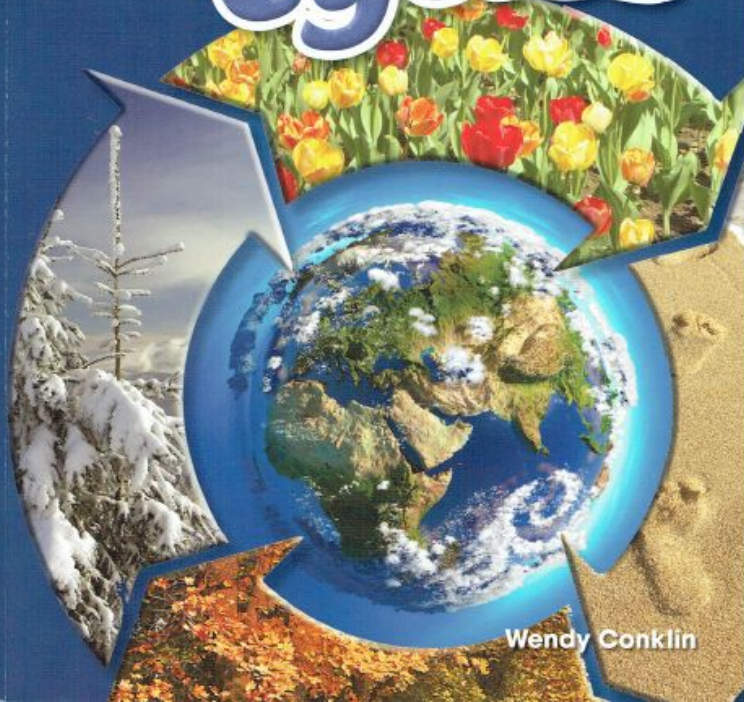
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Earth's Cycles



Wendy Conklin

Earth's Cycles

Earth is constantly recycling its resources. Water, oxygen, rocks, and carbon are just a few of the resources that move through a cycle. All of the cycles work together to create balance in a system called *Earth*.



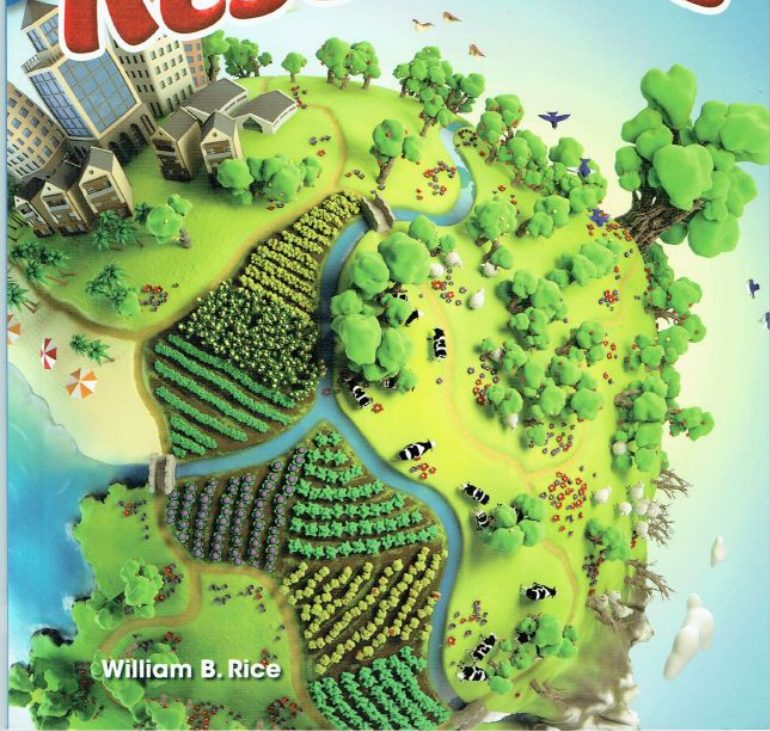
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Our Resources



William B. Rice

Our Resources

Almost everything you do requires resources. You use them throughout your day. Our planet provides us with natural resources, such as water, wood, oil, and metal. Whether resources are renewable or nonrenewable, they provide us with important materials we need.



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KEEPERS OF THE EARTH

Native American Stories and Environmental Activities for Children



Michael J. Caduto and Joseph Bruchac

Foreword by N. Scott Momaday
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Native American/Education

"Keepers of the Earth is a sensitive and well thought-out guide for helping children love and care for the Earth. I heartily recommend it as a resource for parents and teachers."

—JOSEPH CORNELL,
author of *Sharing Nature with Children* and *Listening to Nature*

This environmental classic teaches children respect and stewardship for the Earth and all living things. Joseph Bruchac's lyrical retellings set the stage for Michael Caduto's abundance of related activities.

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- Uses a holistic approach suitable for all ages.
- Provides field-tested activities.
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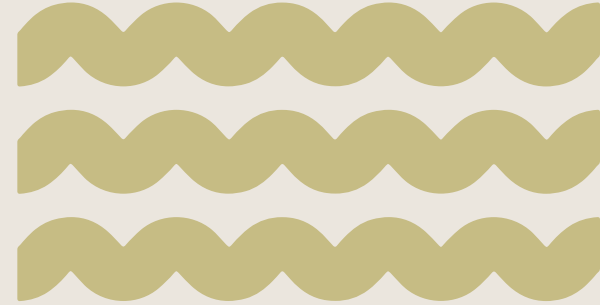
Computer Science

Angela Dearing

- What exactly IS Computer Science?
- What does successful integration of Computational Thinking across the grades look like?
- How can we teach it and support each other integrating computational thinking into instructional practices effectively when we've never taken a computer science course ourselves?

[Kindergarten CS Connections to Earth Systems](#)

[Grade 3 CS Connections to Earth Systems](#)



Posted and Upcoming Sessions (ARPD)

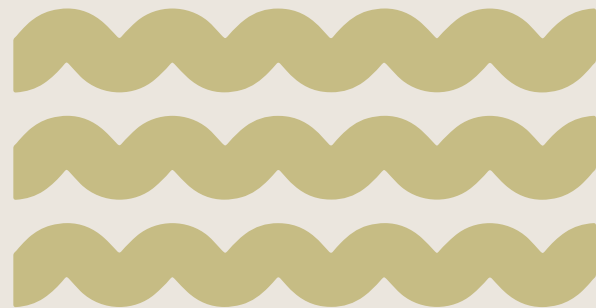
Have been Completed Before the End of June

- Introductory Videos
- Living Systems - May 1 (Grade 1) +
- Matter - June 8 (Kindergarten) +

Coming in the Next School Year Fall (6-8 weeks apart)

- Earth Systems (Oct 10 - 19)
- Energy (November 20 - 29)
- Space (Feb 5, 6, 12)

Check the [CARC](#) or [ERLC](#) website for registrations





Thanks!

Do you have any questions?

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Transfer

Create a model or Investigate a site and describe the relationship between the resulting landform and the impacts of wind, water or ice over time.

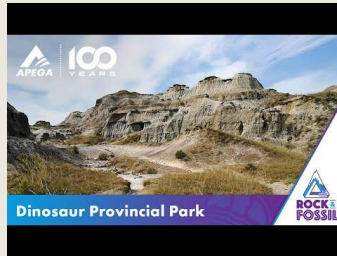


Compare and Contrast two Landforms

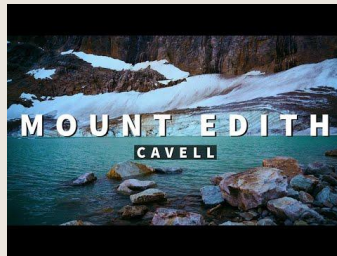
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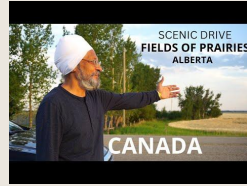
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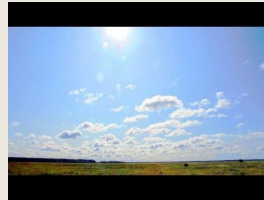
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Drumheller



Cypress Hills



Wood Buffalo
National Park



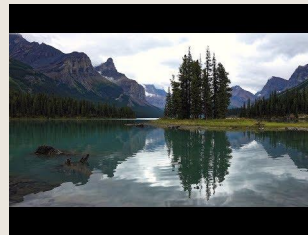
Maligne Canyon



Banff National Park



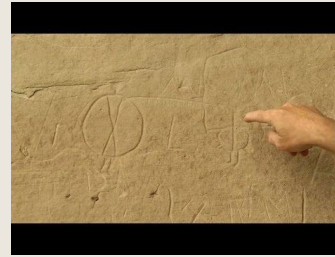
Jasper National Park-Maligne Lake



Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park



Writing-on- Stone



Drumheller Badlands

