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LS1 From Molecules to Organisms: Structure and Processes

Structure and Function	System Interactions	HS-LS1-2	LS1.A	Developing and Using Models	Systems and System Models
	Feedback Mechanisms	HS-LS1-3	LS1.A.4	Planning and Carrying Out Investigations	Stability and Change
	Essential Functions of Life	HS-LS1-1	LS1.A	Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions	Structure and Function
	Inheritance of Traits	HS-LS3-1	LS1.A LS3.A	Asking Questions and Defining Problems	Cause and Effect
Organization for Matter and Energy Flow in Organisms	Synthesis of Macromolecules	HS-LS1-6 HS-LS1-7	LS1.C	Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions Developing and Using Models	Energy and Matter
	Photosynthesis	HS-LS1-5	LS1.C	Developing and Using Models	Energy and Matter
	Cellular Respiration	HS-LS1-7	LS1.C	Developing and Using Models	Energy and Matter
Growth and Development of Organisms	Cell Division	HS-LS1-4	LS1.B	Developing and Using Models	Systems and System Models

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LS2 Ecosystems: Interactions, Energy, and Dynamics

Cycles of Matter and Energy Transfer in Ecosystems	The Carbon Cycle	HS-LS2-5	LS2.B	Developing and Using Models	Systems and System Models
	Bioenergetics	HS-LS2-3	LS2.B	Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions	Energy and Matter
	Transfer of Energy in Ecosystems	HS-LS2-4	LS2.B	Using Mathematics and Computational Thinking	Energy and Matter
Ecosystem Dynamics, Functioning, and Resilience	Human Impact on the Environment	HS-LS2-7	LS2.C	Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions	Stability and Change
Interdependent Relationships in Ecosystems	Interdependent Relationships in Ecosystems	HS-LS2-1 HS-LS2-2	LS2.A	Using Mathematics and Computational Thinking	Scale, Proportion, and Quantity
Ecosystem Dynamics, Functioning, and Resilience	Ecosystem Dynamics	HS-LS2-2 HS-LS2-6 HS-ETS1-1	LS2.C	Using Mathematics and Computational Thinking Engaging in Argument from Evidence	Stability and Change
Social Interactions and Group Behavior	Animal Behavior	HS-LS2-8	LS2.D	Engaging in Argument from Evidence	Cause and Effect



LS3 Heredity: Inheritance and Variation of Traits

Variation of Traits	Variation of Traits	HS-LS3-2	LS3.B	Engaging in Argument from Evidence	Cause and Effect
	Genetics	HS-LS3-2 HS-LS3-3	LS3.B	Engaging in Argument from Evidence Analyzing and Interpreting Data	Cause and Effect Systems and System Models

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LS4 Biological Evolution: Unity and Diversity

Evidence of Common Ancestry and Diversity	Evidence of a Common Ancestry	HS-LS4-1	LS4.A	Obtaining, Evaluating, and Communicating Information	Patterns
Natural Selection	Natural Selection	HS-LS4-2 HS-LS4-3	LS4.B	Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions Analyzing and Interpreting Data	Cause and Effect Patterns
Adaptation	Evolution	HS-LS4-2 HS-LS4-4	LS4.C	Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions	Cause and Effect Patterns
	Environmental Influences on Adaptation	HS-LS4-6	LS4.C	Using Mathematics and Computational Thinking	Cause and Effect
	Extinction	HS-LS4-5	LS4.C	Engaging in Argument from Evidence	Cause and Effect
Biodiversity and Humans	Human Impacts on Biodiversity	HS-LS4-6	LS4.D	Using Mathematics and Computational Thinking	Cause and Effect