

Science Unit Overview Grade 3

Unit	Unit Proficiencies	Priority Standards from NGSS
Magnets & Electricity	 Understand and apply: A complete loop is needed through which an electric charge can flow. Batteries are a source of electrical energy. Electric circuits can produce light, run motors and create sounds. Certain materials are conductors of electricity. Non conductors of electricity are called insulators. Magnets have opposite charged poles. 	VT Science Standards 7.12 S3-4:25
Ecosystems/ Structures of Life	 Some animals form groups that help members survive. Fossils provide evidence of the organisms and the environments in which they lived long ago. In a particular habitat some organisms can survive well, some less well, and some cannot survive at all. There are problems that are caused when the environment changes and the types of plants and animals that live there change. Solutions to these problems have differing effect and merit. 	3-LS1-1 3-LS2-1 3-LS3-1 3-LS3-2 3-LS4-1 3-LS4-3 3-LS4-4