Main Criteria: Wyoming Content and Performance Standards

Secondary Criteria: Social Studies Online Subjects: Science, Social Studies

Grade: 8

Correlation Options: Show Correlated

Wyoming Content and Performance Standards Science

Grade: 8 - Adopted: 2009

Does not include:

- Canada
- Ancient China
- Northeast Region
- Midwest Region
- Sahara Desert
- Southwest Region
- Western Region

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.1.	Concepts and Processes: In the context of unifying concepts and processes, students develop an understanding of scientific content
		through inquiry. Science is a dynamic process; concepts and content are best learned through inquiry and investigation. Concepts in Life Systems, Earth and Space Systems, and Physical Systems are taught within the context of the following Unifying Concepts and Processes of Science: Systems, classification, order and organization; Evidence, models, and explanations; Change, constancy, and measurement; Evolution and equilibrium and Form and function
BENCHMARK	SC8.1.3.	Life Systems: Evolution as a Theory: Students explain evolution as a theory and apply the theory to the diversity of species, which results from natural selection and the acquisition of unique characteristics through biological adaptation. Social Studies Online
		Galapagos Islands Galapagos Islands - Espagnol
BENCHMARK	SC8.1.4.	Life Systems: Diversity of Organisms: Students investigate the interconnectedness of organisms, identifying similarity and diversity of organisms through a classification system of hierarchical relationships and structural homologies.
		Social Studies Online
		Galapagos Islands Galapagos Islands - Espagnol
		La Selva Amazonica - Pte 1 (En Espagnol)
		The Amazon Rainforest - Part 1 - Older Grades
BENCHMARK	SC8.1.5.	Life Systems: Behavior and Adaptation: Students recognize behavior as a response of an organism to an internal or environmental stimulus and connect the characteristics and behaviors of an organism to biological adaptation.
		Social Studies Online
		Galapagos Islands Galapagos Islands - Espagnol
		La Selva Amazonica - Pte 1 (En Espagnol)
		National Parks - West - Alaska & Hawaii
		National Parks West - Nevada, California National Parks West - Wyoming, Utah
		National Parks - WA, OR, ID, MT, CO

		The Amazon Rainforest - Part 1 - Older Grades The Amazon Rainforest - Part 2 - Older Grades
BENCHMARK	SC8.1.6.	Life Systems: Interrelationships of Populations and Ecosystems: Students illustrate populations of organisms and their interconnection within an ecosystem, identifying relationships among producers, consumers, and decomposers. Social Studies Online Galapagos Islands Galapagos Islands Galapagos Islands - Espagnol La Selva Amazonica - Pte 1 (En Espagnol) The Amazon Rainforest - Part 1 - Older Grades
BENCHMARK	SC8.1.8.	Earth and Space Systems: The Structure of the Earth System: Students examine the structure of the Earth, identifying layers of the Earth, considering plate movement and its effect, and recognizing landforms resulting from constructive and destructive forces.
		Social Studies Online Galapagos Islands Galapagos Islands - Espagnol La Selva Amazonica - Pte 1 (En Espagnol) National Parks - West - Alaska & Hawaii National Parks West - Nevada, California National Parks West - Wyoming, Utah National Parks - WA, OR, ID, MT, CO The Amazon Rainforest - Part 1 - Older Grades
BENCHMARK	SC8.1.9.	Earth and Space Systems: The Earth's History: Students systematize the Earth's history in terms of geologic evidence, comparing past and present Earth processes and identifying catastrophic events and fossil evidence. Social Studies Online Galapagos Islands Galapagos Islands Galapagos Islands - Espagnol National Parks - West - Alaska & Hawaii National Parks West - Nevada, California National Parks West - Wyoming, Utah National Parks - WA, OR, ID, MT, CO
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.2.	Science as Inquiry: Students demonstrate knowledge, skills, and habits of mind necessary to safely perform scientific inquiry. Inquiry is the foundation for the development of content, teaching students the use of processes of science that enable them to construct and develop their own knowledge. Inquiry requires appropriate field, classroom, and laboratory experiences with suitable facilities and equipment.
BENCHMARK	SC8.2.4.	Students recognize the relationship between science and technology in meeting human needs. Social Studies Online The Amazon Rainforest - Part 2 - Older Grades
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.3.	History and Nature of Science in Personal and Social Decisions: Students recognize the nature of science, its history, and its connections to personal, social, economic, and political decisions. Historically, scientific events have had significant impacts on our cultural heritage.
BENCHMARK	SC8.3.1.	Students explore the nature and history of science.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SC8.3.1.a.	Students explore how scientific knowledge changes and grows over time, and impacts personal and social decisions. Social Studies Online Galapagos Islands

		Galapagos Islands - Espagnol National Parks - West - Alaska & Hawaii National Parks West - Nevada, California National Parks West - Wyoming, Utah National Parks - WA, OR, ID, MT, CO The Amazon Rainforest - Part 2 - Older Grades
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SC8.3.1.b.	Students explore the historical use of scientific information to make personal and social decisions. Social Studies Online Galapagos Islands Galapagos Islands - Espagnol National Parks - West - Alaska & Hawaii National Parks West - Nevada, California National Parks West - Wyoming, Utah National Parks - WA, OR, ID, MT, CO
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.3.	History and Nature of Science in Personal and Social Decisions: Students recognize the nature of science, its history, and its connections to personal, social, economic, and political decisions. Historically, scientific events have had significant impacts on our cultural heritage.
BENCHMARK	SC8.3.2.	Students explore how scientific information is used to make decisions.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SC8.3.2.a.	The role of science in solving personal, local, and national problems. Social Studies Online The Amazon Rainforest - Part 2 - Older Grades
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SC8.3.2.b.	Interdisciplinary connections of the sciences and connections to other subject areas and careers in science or technical fields. Social Studies Online La Selva Amazonica - Pte 1 (En Espagnol) The Amazon Rainforest - Part 1 - Older Grades
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SC8.3.2.c.	Origins and conservation of natural resources, including Wyoming examples. Social Studies Online Galapagos Islands Galapagos Islands - Espagnol National Parks - West - Alaska & Hawaii National Parks West - Nevada, California National Parks West - Wyoming, Utah National Parks - WA, OR, ID, MT, CO The Amazon Rainforest - Part 2 - Older Grades

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Social Studies

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SS8.2.	Culture and Cultural Diversity: Students demonstrate an understanding of the contributions and impacts of human interaction and cultural diversity on societies.
BENCHMARK		Students will:
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SS8.2.1.	Compare and contrast the ways various groups (e.g., cliques, clubs, ethnic communities, and American Indian tribes) meet human needs and concerns (e.g., self-esteem, friendship, and heritage) and contribute to identity, situations, and events. Social Studies Online
		Exploring Cuba

		La Selva Amazonica - Pte 1 (En Espagnol) Rome - The Eternal City
		The Amazon Rainforest - Part 1 - Older Grades The Amazon Rainforest - Part 2 - Older Grades
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SS8.3.	Production, Distribution, and Consumption: Students describe the influence of economic factors on societies and make decisions based on economic principles.
BENCHMARK		Students will:
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SS8.3.4.	Explain or illustrate how money is used by individuals, groups, and financial institutions.
		Social Studies Online Barcelona - English Barcelona - Espagnol
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SS8.5.	People, Places, and Environments: Students apply their knowledge of the geographic themes (location, place, movement, region, and human/environment interactions) and skills to demonstrate an understanding of interrelationships among people, places, and environment.
BENCHMARK		Students will:
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SS8.5.3.	Human Place and Movement: Explain how communities' current and past demographics, migrations, and settlement patterns influence place (e.g., culture, needs, and political and economic systems) and use this analysis to predict future settlement patterns.
		Social Studies Online La Selva Amazonica - Pte 1 (En Espagnol) The Amazon Rainforest - Part 1 - Older Grades The Amazon Rainforest - Part 2 - Older Grades
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SS8.5.4.	Environment and Society: Analyze the changes to and consequences of human, natural, and technological impacts on the physical environment.
		Social Studies Online La Selva Amazonica - Pte 1 (En Espagnol) The Amazon Rainforest - Part 1 - Older Grades The Amazon Rainforest - Part 2 - Older Grades

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RH.6-8.	Reading Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies
BENCHMARK		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
BENCHMARK GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RH.6-8.7.	Integrate visual information (e.g., in charts, graphs, photographs, videos, or maps) with other information in print and digital texts. Social Studies Online Ancient Egypt - Land of the Pharaohs Ancient Egypt - Land of the Pyramids Ancient Greece Ancient Mayan Civilization Barcelona - English Barcelona - Espagnol Canada Exploring Cuba
		Galapagos Islands Jerusalem - Then and Now (Older Grades) La Selva Amazonica - Pte 1 (En Espagnol) London - City of Pomp & Majesty National Parks - West - Alaska & Hawaii National Parks West - Nevada, California National Parks West - Wyoming, Utah National Parks - WA, OR, ID, MT, CO

Highlights of Paris – Grades 6 – 8 Paris - La Ville Lumiere (En Francais) Ancient Rome
Rome - The Eternal City The Amazon Rainforest - Part 1 - Older Grades
The Amazon Rainforest - Part 2 - Older Grades Tokyo - City of Contrasts
Washington, DC - Grades 6 - 8

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