Unit Plan • Unit 3: Working Together

Subjects: Kindergarten English Language Arts, Social Studies, Science

Time Frame: Four weeks

Description: The children will be introduced to communities of today and long ago and several well-known community helpers, Thomas Edison, Benjamin Franklin, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. The phonics focus will be Rr, /r/, Ll, /l/, Nn, /n/, and Gq, /q/.

Essential Questions: Discuss the Essential Questions Cards with the children as they relate to the lessons. Then display them to build a bulletin board throughout the unit. Periodically review the Essential Questions. At the end of each unit, remove the Essential Questions to make room for the next unit.

- (RL.1-3) How can asking and answering questions about important parts of the story help us understand the books we read?
- (RI.6) How do the author and illustrator of a nonfiction book work together to present information?
- (SS.HK.2h) How have inventions of long ago changed our lives?
- (SS.HK.2a) How was life different long ago?
- (SS.CG.6c) Why is voting important?
- (SS.St.4a) How do maps and globes represent the Earth and places on it?



Standards & Benchmarks

Starfall English Language Arts Standards

Print Co	ncepts	Inline Summary Form
PC.1a	Recognize that sentences in print are made up of separate words	Recognize that sentences are made up of separate words
Vocabu	ary Development	Inline Summary Form
VOC.3	The student uses multiple strategies to develop vocabulary.	Use multiple strategies to develop vocabulary
VOC.3a	Listen to and discuss both familiar and conceptually challenging text	Listen to and discuss familiar and conceptually challenging text
VOC.3b	Describe common objects and events in both general and specific language	Describe objects and events in general and specific language
Fluency		Inline Summary Form
FL.6	The student demonstrates the ability to read orally with accuracy and expression.	Demonstrate ability to read with accuracy and expression
FL.6b	Use appropriate intonation and expression during unison oral reading with the teacher	Use appropriate intonation and expression during oral reading

Literary	Response & Analysis	Inline Summary Form
LIT.RA.7	The student identifies, analyzes, and applies knowledge of the elements of a variety of fiction and nonfiction texts to demonstrate an understanding of the information presented.	Identify, analyze, and apply elements of fiction and nonfiction texts to demonstrate understanding of information
LIT.RA.7a	With prompting and support create and/or present a poem, dramatization, artwork, or personal response to a particular author or theme studied	Create or present poetry, drama, art, or personal response to text or theme
LIT.RA.7b	Use illustrations and context to make predictions about text	Make predictions based on illustrations and context
LIT.RA.7d	Make text to self connections	Make text to self connections
LIT.RA.7e	Make text to text connections	Make text to text connections
Writing		Inline Summary Form
W.8a	Create a group draft, scripted by the teacher	Create a group draft scripted by the teacher
W.8b	Produce, illustrate, and share a finished piece of writing	Produce, illustrate and share writing
W.8c	Draw and label	Draw and label
Listenin	g & Speaking	Inline Summary Form
LS.9c	Relate an experience in a logical sequence	Relate an experience in sequence
LS.9d	Understand and follow one and two-step directions	Understand and follow one and two-step directions
Media L	iteracy	Inline Summary Form
ML.10	Use technology resources to support learning	Use technology resources to support learning
ML.10a	Recognize that authors, illustrators, and composers create informational sources	Recognize that authors, illustrators, and composers create informational sources
Technol	ogy	Inline Summary Form
TECH.11	The student develops essential technology skills for using and understanding conventional and current tools, materials, and processes.	Develop technology skills for using and understanding conventional processes

Starfall Social Studies Standards

America	n History	Inline Summary Form
Historical Inquiry and Analysis:		
SS.IA.1	The student understands that events occur in a specific order.	Understand events occur in a specific order
SS.IA.1a	Develop an understanding of how to use and create a timeline	Understand how to create and use a timeline
Historical Knowledge:		
SS.HK.2	The student understands that history relates to events, people and places of other times.	Understand history relates to events, people and places of other times
SS.HK.2a	Compare and contrast life in the present with life in the past	Compare and contrast life in the present and past

SS.HK.2b	Know the triumphs in American legends and historical accounts through the stories of such people as Pocahontas, George Washington, Booker T. Washington, Daniel Boone, and Benjamin Franklin	Know triumphs in American legends and historical accounts through stories of famous Americans
SS.HK.2f	Identify the purposes of, and the people and events honored in commemorative holidays, including the human struggles that were the basis for the events	Identify the purposes of and the people honored in commemorative holidays
SS.HK.2g	Learn examples of honesty, courage, determination, individual responsibility, and patriotism in American (and world) history from stories and folklore	Learn examples of honesty, courage, determination, responsibility and patriotism from stories and folklore
SS.HK.2h	Recognize the contributions of important historical figures	Recognize contributions of important historical figures
Chronol	ogical Thinking	Inline Summary Form
SS.CT.3c	Explain that calendars represent days of the week and months of the year	Understand that calendars represent days and months
Geograp	hy	Inline Summary Form
The World	l in Spatial Terms	
SS.ST.4	The student compares and contrasts the locations of people, places and environments and describes their characteristics.	Compare, contrast and describe characteristics of locations of people, places and environments
SS.ST.4a	Differentiate land and water on maps and globes and locate general areas referenced in historical legends and stories	Differentiate land and water, and locate general areas referenced in legends and stories on maps and globes
SS.ST.4b	Describe the relative location of people, places, and things by using positional words	Use positional words to describe relative location of people, places and things
Econom	ics	Inline Summary Form
Beginnin	g Economics	
SS.E.5a	Identify United States coins and their values	Identify coins and their values
SS.E.5b	Match simple descriptions of work people do and the names of the related jobs at	Match descriptions of work people do
	the school, in the community and from historical accounts	to related jobs in school, community and from historical accounts
SS.E.5d	Recognize jobs people do at their school and in their community	
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Starfall Science Standards

Investig	ation & Experimentation	Inline Summary Form
SC.IE.1	The student develops an understanding of science concepts by formulating questions and performing investigations.	Ask and answer questions to understand science concepts
SC.IE.1g	Become familiar with prediction and probability	Understand prediction and probability
Forces 8	Motion	Inline Summary Form
SC.FM.3c	Describe the relative position of objects using one reference	Describe relative position of objects

Common Core Standards

Reading	g: Literature	Inline Summary Form
Key Ideas	and Details:	
RL.K.1	With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.	Ask and answer questions about key details in a text
RL.K.2	With prompting and support, retell familiar stories, including key details.	Retell familiar stories
RL.K.3	With prompting and support, identify characters, settings, and major events in a story.	ldentify characters, settings and major events
Craft and	Structure:	
RL.K.4	Ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text.	Ask and answer questions about unknown words
RL.K.5	Recognize common types of texts (e.g., storybooks, poems).	Recognize common types of texts (e.g., storybooks, poems)
RL.K.6	With prompting and support, name the author and illustrator of a story and define the role of each in telling the story.	Name the author and illustrator of a story and identify their roles
Integration	on of Knowledge and Ideas:	
RL.K.7	With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and the story in which they appear (e.g., what moment in a story an illustration depicts)	Connect illustrations to story events
RL.K.9	With prompting and support, compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories.	Compare and contrast experiences of story characters
Range of	Reading and Level of Text Complexity:	
RL.K.10	Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding.	Engage in group reading activities

Readin	g: Informational Text	Inline Summary Form	
Key Ideas and Details:			
RI.K.1	With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.	Ask and answer questions about key details in a text	
RI.K.3	With prompting and support, describe the connection between two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text.	Describe the connection between individuals, events, ideas or information in a text	
Integrati	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas:		
RI.K.7	With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and the text in which they appear (e.g., what person, place, thing, or idea in the text an illustration depicts).	Describe the relationship between illustrations and text	
RI.K.9	With prompting and support, identify basic similarities in and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g., in illustrations, descriptions, or procedures).	ldentify similarities and differences between texts on the same topic	
Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity:			
RI.K.10	Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding.	Actively engage in group reading activities	

Reading	g: Foundational Skills	Inline Summary Form
Print Con		
RF.K.1	Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.	Understand basic features and organization of print
RF.K.1.B	Recognize that spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters.	Recognize that spoken words are represented by specific sequences of letters
RF.K.1.C	Understand that words are separated by spaces in print.	Understand that words are separated by spaces
RF.K.1.D	Recognize and name all upper- and lowercase letters of the alphabet.	Name all upper- and lowercase letters
Phonolog	gical Awareness:	
RF.K.2	Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).	Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables and sounds (phonemes)
RF.K.2.A	Recognize and produce rhyming words.	Recognize and produce rhyming words
RF.K.2.C	Blend and segment onsets and rimes of single-syllable spoken words.	Blend and segment onsets and rimes of single syllable spoken words
RF.K.2.D	Isolate and pronounce the initial, medial vowel, and final sounds (phonemes) in three-phoneme (consonant-vowel-consonant, or CVC) words.	Isolate and pronounce initial, medial vowel and final sounds (phonemes) in three phoneme words
RF.K.2.E	Add or substitute individual sounds (phonemes) in simple, one-syllable words to make new words.	Add or substitute individual sounds (phonemes) in one-syllable words to make new words
Phonics a	and Word Recognition:	
RF.K.3	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.	Apply phonics/word analysis skills in decoding words
RF.K.3.A	Demonstrate basic knowledge of one-to-one letter-sound correspondences by producing the primary sound or many of the most frequent sounds for each consonant.	Demonstrate one-to-one letter- sound correspondence

RF.K.3.B	Associate the long and short sounds with the common spellings (graphemes) for the five major vowels.	Associate long and short vowel sounds with common spellings (graphemes)
RF.K.3.C	Read common high-frequency words by sight (e.g., the, of, to, you, she, my, is, are, do does)	Read common high frequency words by sight

Writing		Inline Summary Form
Text Typ	es and Purposes:	
W.K.1	Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose opinion pieces in which they tell a reader the topic or the name of the book they are writing about and state an opinion or preference about the topic or book (e.g., My favorite book is).	Use drawing, dictating and writing to compose opinion pieces that tell the topic or name of the book
W.K.2	Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose informative/ explanatory texts in which they name what they are writing about and supply some information about the topic.	Use drawing, dictating and writing to compose informative/explanatory texts that name a topic
Producti	on and Distribution of Writing:	
W.K.5	With guidance and support from adults, respond to questions and suggestions from peers and add details to strengthen writing as needed.	Respond to questions and suggestions from peers, adding detail to strengthen writing
Research	to Build and Present Knowledge:	
W.K.7	Participate in shared research and writing projects (e.g., explore a number of books by a favorite author and express opinions about them).	Participate in shared research and writing projects
W.K.8	With guidance and support from adults, recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.	Recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question

Speakin	g & Listening	Inline Summary Form	
Compreh	Comprehension and Collaboration:		
SL.K.1	Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about kindergarten topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups.	Participate in conversations with diverse partners about kindergarten topics and texts	
SL.K.1.A	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others and taking turns speaking about the topics and texts under discussion).	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions	
SL.K.1.B	Continue a conversation through multiple exchanges.	Continue a conversation through multiple exchanges	
SL.K.2	Confirm understanding of a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media by asking and answering questions about key details and requesting clarification if something is not understood.	Ask and answer questions about key details of a text, requesting clarification if necessary	
SL.K.3	Ask and answer questions in order to seek help, get information, or clarify something that is not understood.	Ask and answer questions to seek help or information, or to clarify	
Research to Build and Present Knowledge:			
SL.K.6	Speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly.	Speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly	

Langua	ge	Inline Summary Form	
Conventi	Conventions of Standard English		
L.K.1.A	Print many upper- and lowercase letters.	Print upper- and lowercase letters	
L.K.2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	Demonstrate command of English conventions in capitalization, punctuation, and spelling	
L.K.2.B	Recognize and name end punctuation.	Recognize and name end punctuation	
L.K.2.C	Write a letter or letters for most consonant and short-vowel sounds (phonemes).	Represent most consonants and short vowel sounds (phonemes)	
L.K.2.D	Spell simple words phonetically, drawing on knowledge of sound-letter relationships.	Spell simple words phonetically	
Vocabula	ry Acquisition and Use:		
L.K.4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on kindergarten reading and content.	Determine or clarify meaning of unknown and multiple- meaning words and phrases	
L.K.5	With guidance and support from adults, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings.	Explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings	
L.K.6	Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts.	Use acquired words and phrases	



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