

Yearlong Theme: Connection - Roadtrip Across America

Timing	Sept - Nov	Nov - Jan	Jan - Mar	Apr - Jun
Components	Connections to Place <i>How does where we are affect how we live?</i>	Connections to Culture <i>How are people connected to the places and communities they call home?</i>	Connections to People <i>How do people's decisions become part of history?</i>	Connection to Systems <i>How do America's different stories connect us?</i>
ELA	Novel Study: <u>Walk Two Moons</u> by Sharon Creech A road trip across America discovering the different landscapes, how each state is different, and how people are different wherever they go. Students will be figuring out how setting and characters impact the theme/message of the book.	Novel Study: <u>Brown Girl Dreaming</u> by Jacqueline Woodson A memoir about growing up between New York and South Carolina and how it shaped a young girl in the 1960s and 1970s. Students will be figuring out main ideas, drawing conclusions, and comparing settings/cultures.	Novel Study: <u>The Watsons go to Birmingham - 1963</u> by Christopher Paul Curtis A historical fiction book that follows a young boy who goes to live in the South during the Civil Rights Movement and his perspective. Students will be forming connections to other parts of history, analyzing how characters develop, and making logical inferences.	Novel Study: <u>The Lemonade War</u> by Jacqueline Davies Two siblings have to figure out how to work together to run a successful lemonade business. Students will determine key ideas using evidence from the text to support their answers.
Writing	Opinion Writing: Students write about their dream vacation and what in their life influenced their opinion.	Autobiography: Students write about how they feel connected to their community and what they choose to call home, family, and friends.	Informative Writing: Students research and write about an event in United States history that has shaped the culture/people that live there today.	Personal Narratives: Students write about their own experiences working through a problem with another person and what they learned from it.
Science	The Sun Planetary Systems Earth's Atmosphere	Heating Earth Water Planet Separating Mixtures	Developing Models Concentration Reaching Saturation	Nutrient Systems Transport Systems Sensory Systems
Health	First Aid Facts Central Nervous System You Are What You Eat!	Love Your Lungs! Those Crazy, Mixed Up Emotions	The Truth About Drugs About Blood and Disease All The Right Stuff	Bones and Muscles Growing Up
Social Studies	Unit 1: The First Americans Unit 2: Age of Exploration	Unit 3: Settling the Colonies in North America Unit 4: Life in the Colonies	Unit 5: The American Revolution Unit 6: A New Nation Unit 7: Life in the Young Republic	Unit 8: Westward Expansion Unit 9: Civil War and Reconstruction
Math	Unit 1: Math Is Unit 2: Volume Unit 3: Place Value and Number Relationships Unit 4: Add and Subtract Decimals	Unit 5: Multiply Multi-Digit Whole Numbers Unit 6: Multiply Decimals Unit 7: Divide Whole Numbers	Unit 8: Divide Decimals Unit 9: Add and Subtract Fractions Unit 10: Multiply Fractions Unit 11: Divide Fractions	Unit 12: Measurement and Data Unit 13: Geometry Unit 14: Algebraic Thinking