Sargeant Elementary PYP Programme of Inquiry

Age Grade	An inquiry into: Who We Are	An inquiry into: Where We Are in Place and Time	An inquiry into: How We Express Ourselves	An inquiry into: How the World Works	An inquiry into: How We Organize Ourselves	An inquiry into: Sharing the Planet
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4-5 TK	Central Idea Relationships with others affect our well-being. Specified Concepts Form, Connection Additional Concepts Cooperation, Relationship, Balance Lines of Inquiry Form: Character traits of an IB learner. Connection: Similarities and differences we recognize in ourselves and others.		Central Idea People express themselves in different ways. Specified Concepts Function, Responsibility, Perspective Additional Concepts Emotion, Pattern, Rhythm Lines of Inquiry Function: There are different forms of expression. Responsibility:	Central Idea Earth's natural cycles affect people. Specified Concepts Change, Causation, Connection Additional Concepts Order, Time, Cause/Effect Lines of Inquiry Causation: Seasons create different weather patterns Connection: Time and weather are interdependent. Change: Weather		Central Idea People share the planet with many different animals. Specified Concepts Responsibility, Form, Connection Additional Concepts System, Community, Interaction Lines of Inquiry Form: Domestic animals in our home. Connection: Similarities and differences between wild and domestic animals.

			Showing caring and respect for ourselves and others. Perspective: Expression is shown in different points of views.	impacts our lives.		Responsibility:People have a responsibility towards animals.
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5-6 K	Central Idea Following rules builds citizenship Specified Concepts Form, Responsibility, Connection Additional Concepts Citizenship, Rules, Cooperation Lines of Inquiry Form: People follow certain rules to be a citizen Responsibility:		Central Idea People express their traditions through celebrations. Specified Concepts Form, Causation, Perspective Additional Concepts Values, Beliefs, Traditions Lines of Inquiry Perspective: People have different	Central Idea Weather patterns impact daily lives Specified Concepts Causation, Change, Function Additional Concepts Interactions, Patterns, Time, Cycles Lines of Inquiry Causation: Weather impacts decisions. Change: Weather	Central Idea Communities are places where people interact to meet needs and wants. Specified Concepts Function, Change, Connection Additional Concepts Community, Interactions, Needs	Central Idea Living things choose environments based on needs. Specified Concepts Causation, Connection, Function Additional Concepts Needs, Systems, Cause/Effect Lines of Inquiry Causation: Environments meet the

	Citizens look and act differently in different places. Connection: Different groups follow rules for cooperating.		traditions. Causation: Different celebrations come from expressing different traditions. Form: Traditions are beliefs and values that are important to people.	patterns change. Function: People can predict weather patterns.	Lines of Inquiry Function: Community helpers have jobs. Change: Different people have different needs in a community. Connection: People interact in a community to take care of needs and wants.	needs of living things. Connection: Living things have similar and different needs. Function: Environments provide different resources.
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6-7 1st	Central Idea Community members work together to establish rules. Specified Concepts Form, Connection, Responsibility Additional Concepts Communities,	Central Idea Learning about previous generations can help understand the relationship between past and present. Specified Concepts Change, Connection,	Central Idea Symbols, traditions and celebrations provide an insight into beliefs and cultures. Specified Concepts Form, Perspective, Connection	Central Idea You can make predictions about the world by observing the sky. Specified Concepts Causation, Change, Perspective Additional Concepts	Central Idea Economic systems require interactions. Specified Concepts Function, Connection Additional	Central Idea Living things adapt to changes. Specified Concepts Change, Responsibility, Function Additional Concepts Conservation, System,

	Cooperation, Rules Lines of Inquiry Form: Communities are a group of citizens who work together. Responsibility: Choices make an impact on a community. Connection: Communities are alike and different.	Perspective Additional Concepts Cooperation, Community Lines of Inquiry Connection- The present is connected to the past. Change- Actions create change. Perspective- Change impacts people differently depending on their perspective.	Additional Concepts Beliefs, Values, Culture Lines of Inquiry Form- The United States has national symbols. Perspective- Symbols provide a sense of identityand community across time and space. Connection- Traditions connect people to their past and to their community.	Patterns, Time, Predictions Lines of Inquiry: Causation: Earth's placement in the universe causes changes to our environment. Change: People adapt to the world as the environment changes. Perspective: People observe changes in the world based on patterns.	Concepts Needs, System, Interactions, Economics Lines of Inquiry Function: An economy is a system with exchanges. Connection: Economies have different needs in different places.	Interaction Lines of Inquiry Change - Living things grow and change. Responsibility- Humans have a responsibility to keep the environment safe and healthy for all living things. Function- Living things have specific traits.
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7-8 2nd	Central Idea Family tradition and history shape who we are. Specified Concepts	Central Idea Individual action and character can make a difference in the world.	Central Idea Ideas are expressed through the creation of stories and tales all around the world.	Central Idea Formations and events interact to impact living things. Specified Concepts	Central Idea The system and structure of governments define the way we live.	Central Idea Living organisms interact within their diverse environments.

Connection, Causation, Change Additional Concepts Culture, Migration, Traditions Lines of Inquiry Connection: Traditions connect through generations. Causation: Migration creates new opportunities. Change: Daily lives change over time.	Specified Concepts Connection, Change, Perspective Additional Concepts Motivation, Impact, Courage Lines of Inquiry Connection: People in history are connected to us through the difference they have made in the world and others' lives. Change: Individual actions can create positive changes in people's lives and the world around them. Perspective: Change impacts people differently depending on their perspective.	Specified Concepts Connection, Perspective, Responsibility Additional Concepts Expression, Creativity, Culture Lines of Inquiry Connection: Diverse cultures connect their shared values through common themes in literature. Perspective: Stories reveal tradition and culture in communities. Responsibility: Stories teach children the responsibility of being open-minded and seeing others' point of view through folktales.	Form, Causation, Change Additional Concepts Systems, Interactions, Patterns Lines of Inquiry Form: Earth has physical features that interact with living things. Causation: Natural events cause changes to Earth's landforms. Change: Changes in earth's landforms impact living things.	Specified Concepts Form, Connection, Responsibility Additional Concepts Systems, Structures, Government, Societies, Communities Lines of Inquiry Form: Governments need rules, laws and procedures. Connection: Government systems vary around the world. Responsibility: Rights and rules establish how each citizen interacts within the system.	Specified Concepts Function, Connection, Responsibility Additional Concepts Structure, Interaction, Needs Lines of Inquiry Function: Living things have structures that help them survive and reproduce. Connection: Plants and animals provide mutual benefits for each other. Responsibility: Humans impact the environment of living things.
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8-9 3rd	Central Idea Beliefs and values influence who we are. Specified Concepts Perspective, Connection, Causation Additional Concepts Beliefs, Character, Interaction, Pattern Lines of Inquiry Perspective: Our beliefs are influenced by the actions of others. Connection: Beliefs are commonly shared around the world. Causation: We grow based upon our beliefs.	Central Idea Early civilizations impact connections and economies. Specified Concepts Change, Connection, Causation Additional Concepts Culture, Values, Order Lines of Inquiry Change: Civilizations and their economy change over time. Connection: Civilizations impact other cultures. Causation: Civilizations have similarities and differences.	Central Idea Perceptions change the way things are interpreted. Specified Concepts Causation, Perspective, Responsibility Additional Concepts Characters, Beliefs, Emotion Lines of Inquiry Causation: Stories were written for different reasons. Perspective: There are differing messages from literature based on point of view. Responsibility: Different forms of literature evoke emotions.	Central Idea Climate and weather patterns vary in regions around the world. Specified Concepts Form, Responsibility, Causation Additional Concepts Interaction, Cause and Effect, Pattern, Technology Lines of Inquiry Form: Climate and weather change because of different conditions. Causation: Weather patterns occur through interactions in the atmosphere. Responsibility: Weather patterns can be predicted.	Central Idea Systems and structures impact how societies organize themselves. Specified Concepts Function, Perspective, Connection Additional Concepts Systems, Cooperation, Economy Lines of Inquiry: Function: Systems are defined through structures and landmarks. Perspective: Systems can be interpreted in different ways. Connection: Systems are necessary for our economy and our communities.	Central Idea Traits are passed on and help living things adapt and survive in their habitat. Specified Concepts Function, Change, Connection Additional Concepts Interaction, Cause and Effect, Cycle, Organism Lines of Inquiry Function: Plants and animals interact with their environment in different ways. Change: Plants and animals adapt when their environment changes. Connection: Interactions with the environment are globally related.
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9-10 4th	Central Idea Characters in literature reflect human values and emotion. Specified Concepts Perspective, Change, Connection Additional Concepts Values, Character, Emotions, Interactions Lines of Inquiry Perspective: Readers form opinions about characters through their actions, interactions, interactions, thoughts, and dialogue. Change: Events impact character development. Connection: Readers make personal connections with character emotions and values.	Central Idea Human migration evolves out of necessity. Specified Concepts Causation, Change, Responsibility Additional Concepts Diversity, Needs, Conflict, Time Lines of Inquiry Causation: People migrate for different reasons. Change: Time influences migration. Responsibility: People respond differently to migrants/immigrants.	Central Idea Writers creatively communicate their opinion and point of view through their words and craft. Specified Concepts Form, Perspective, Causation Additional Concepts Perception, Motivation, Composition Lines of Inquiry Form: Text types have different elements. Perspective: Writers intentionally select a point of view. Causation: Point of view shapes meaning.	Central Idea Earth's formations and systems interact to impact living things Specified Concepts Form, Responsibility, Connection Additional Concepts Systems, Patterns, Cause and Effect Lines of Inquiry Form: Earth has physical features that interact. Connection: Location affects how systems develop. Responsibility: Living things react to interactions.	Central Idea The development of government influences culture and establishes power. Specified Concepts Function, Responsibility, Change Additional Concepts Conflict, Cooperation, Culture, Power Lines of Inquiry Function: Each branch of government has different roles and duties. Responsibility: All citizens have responsibilities within government. Change: People	Central Idea Sharing resources and technology promote the conservation of energy and its sources. Specified Concepts Form, Function, Causation Additional Concepts Connection, Responsibility, Perspective Lines of Inquiry Form: Energy takes different forms Function: Energy is transferred and conserved Causation: Energy is derived from nonrenewable and renewable resources.

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10-11 5th	Central Idea Social issues shape personal beliefs.	Central Idea Explorations lead to discoveries.	Central Idea Culture and emotion can be expressed through literature.	Central Idea Scientific Inquiry impacts technological advances.	Central Idea Conflicts organize societies.	Central Idea Survival depends on sharing and utilizing earth's resources.
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	Beliefs, Economies, Social Issues,	Cycle, Exploration, Migration, Culture	Additional Concepts	Change, Energy-matter,	Additional Concepts	Cooperation, Population, Needs
	Lines of Inquiry	Lines of Inquiry	Symbolism, Pattern,	Interaction,	Conflict, Power, Motivation	Lines of Inquiry Form: People use
	Responsibility: Awareness of social	Function: Exploration occurs in multiple	Emotion	Composition	Lines of Inquiry	earth's resources.
	issues is the responsibility of all	ways.	Lines of Inquiry Function: Literature	Lines of Inquiry: Form: Scientific	Causation: Societies require	Change: Environments change how people live.
	citizens living in a society.	Causation: Different motivations cause exploration.	teaches different lessons.	Inquiry is a series of steps.	organization to adapt from conflict.	Connection: People depend on each other
	Perspective: Standing up for your beliefs	Change: People adapt	Connection: Cultures express their values	Change: Experiments have different	Connection:	for survival.

may have consequences. Change: Social constructs change with evolving beliefs.	through literature. Perspective: Emotions are expressed through storytelling.	outcomes. Connection: People connect ideas over time.	Conflicts have different resolutions Change: Effective resolutions improve societies.	
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