

Benchmark Advance Knowledge Strands	GRADE 2 Standards Close-Up Topics and Titles	GRADE 3 Standards Close-Up Topics and Titles	GRADE 4 Standards Close-Up Topics and Titles	GRADE 5 Standards Close-Up Topics and Titles
Government and Citizenship	Community and Government: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get Involved in Your Community • The National Government 	Great Americans: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eyewitness to Martin Luther King’s “I Have a Dream” Speech • Two Views of Benjamin Franklin 	Making a Difference: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We Can Make a Difference • Let Freedom Ring! 	Native American Lives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native American Rights • Native Childhood
Life Science	Plants and Animals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animals Help Plants • Growing Plants 	The Natural World Explored: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring and Preserving Nature • Inspired by Nature Relationships in Ecosystems: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Human and Animal Interactions • Animal Survivors 	The Senses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Super Senses • Animal and Human Senses 	Animals in Nature: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invasive Species • Observing Animals Growing and Eating Food: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Growing Food • From Apples to Energy
Technology and Society	Beneath the Ocean: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deep Sea Technology • Underwater History Solving Community Problems: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share the Road • Machines That Solve Problems 	Technological Solutions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion and Sound: Early Moviemaking • Keep Out! Science Projects to Get Rid of Pests 	Solving Problems Through Technology: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leading the Way with GPS • Safe Rides 	The Technology of Communication: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inventions in Communication • The Science of Modern Technology Building Barriers and Byways: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building Barriers • Remarkable Roads
History and Culture	Traveling Then and Now: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flight! • Road Trip Drawings and Designs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many Museums • Beautiful Buildings 	Communities: Then and Now: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City Histories in Maps • My Life and Hometown Growing Up: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflections on Childhood • The Recess Debate 	Great Innovations and Inventors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From Place to Place: The World of Transportation • Medical Innovators Growth of a Nation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Growth of the Cattle Industry • Opinions About the Gold Rush 	The American Revolution and Beyond: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revolutionary Women • The Northwest Ordinance
Earth Science	Dynamic Earth: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changing Coastlines • Volcanoes Erupt! 	Weather: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flood! • Weather Reporters on the Job 	Earth Changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waterfalls • Natural Disasters Mountains: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avalanche • Mountain Climber 	Earth’s Water: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seas in Danger • Opinions About Water Power
Economics	People and Products: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inside Factories: How Products Are Made • Open for Business 	Making Money: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Money, Money, Money • Online Research: Entrepreneurs 	Alternative Solutions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy: Go with the Flow • Alternative Homes 	America’s Changing Economy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Giants of the Gilded Age • Transportation Innovations
Physical Science	Kitchen Science: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hot and Cold in the Kitchen • Hot and Cold Cooking 	Physics Is Everywhere: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground Physics • Electric and Magnetic FUNomena 	Waves: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light and Sound • Catch a Wave! 	Gravity and Space: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gravity: The Universe’s Most Mysterious Force • On the Space Station