

JUNIOR SCHOOL CURRICULUM DESIGN

INTEGRATED SCIENCE

GRADE 8

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NATIONAL GOALS OF EDUCATION

Education in Kenya should:

i) Foster nationalism and patriotism and promote national unity.

Kenya's people belong to different communities, races and religions, but these differences need not divide them. They must be able to live and interact as Kenyans. It is a paramount duty of education to help young people acquire this sense of nationhood by removing conflicts and promoting positive attitudes of mutual respect which enable them to live together in harmony and foster patriotism in order to make a positive contribution to the life of the nation.

ii) Promote the social, economic, technological and industrial needs for national development.

Education should prepare the youth of the country to play an effective and productive role in the life of the nation.

a) Social Needs

Education in Kenya must prepare children for changes in attitudes and relationships which are necessary for the smooth progress of a rapidly developing modern economy. There is bound to be a silent social revolution following the wake of rapid modernisation. Education should assist our youth to adapt to this change.

b) Economic Needs

Education in Kenya should produce citizens with the skills, knowledge, expertise and personal qualities that are required to support a growing economy. Kenya is building up a modern and independent economy which is in need of an adequate and relevant domestic workforce.

c) Technological and Industrial Needs

Education in Kenya should provide learners with the necessary skills and attitudes for industrial development. Kenya recognises the rapid industrial and technological changes taking place, especially in the developed world. We can only be part of this development if our education system is deliberately focused on the knowledge, skills and attitudes that will prepare our young people for these changing global trends.

iii) Promote individual development and self-fulfilment

Education should provide opportunities for the fullest development of individual talents and personality. It should help children to develop their potential interests and abilities. A vital aspect of individual development is the building of character.

iv) Promote sound moral and religious values.

Education should provide for the development of knowledge, skills and attitudes that will enhance the acquisition of sound moral values and help children to grow up into self-disciplined, self-reliant and integrated citizens.

v) Promote social equality and responsibility.

Education should promote social equality and foster a sense of social responsibility within an education system which provides equal educational

opportunities for all. It should give all children varied and challenging opportunities for collective activities and corporate social service irrespective of gender, ability or geographical environment.

vi) Promote respect for and development of Kenya's rich and varied cultures.

Education should instil in the youth of Kenya an understanding of past and present cultures and their valid place in contemporary society. Children should be able to blend the best of traditional values with the changing requirements that must follow rapid development in order to build a stable and modern society.

vii) Promote international consciousness and foster positive attitudes towards other nations.

Kenya is part of the international community. It is part of the complicated and interdependent network of peoples and nations. Education should therefore lead the youth of the country to accept membership of this international community with all the obligations and responsibilities, rights and benefits that this membership entails.

viii. Promote positive attitudes towards good health and environmental protection.

Education should inculcate in young people the value of good health in order for them to avoid indulging in activities that will lead to physical or mental ill health. It should foster positive attitudes towards environmental development and conservation. It should lead the youth of Kenya to appreciate the need for a healthy environment.

LESSON ALLOCATION AT JUNIOR SCHOOL

S/No	Learning Area	Number of Lessons
1.	English	5
2.	Kiswahili / Kenya Sign Language	4
3.	Mathematics	5
4.	Religious Education	4
5.	Social Studies	4
6.	Integrated Science	5
7.	Pre-Technical Studies	4
8.	Agriculture and Nutrition	4
9.	Creative Arts and Sports	5
	Pastoral /Religious Instructional Program	1
Total		40 + 1

LEARNING OUTCOMES FOR JUNIOR SCHOOL

By end of Junior School, the learner should be able to:

- 1. Apply literacy, numeracy and logical thinking skills for appropriate self-expression.
- 2. Communicate effectively, verbally and non-verbally, in diverse contexts.
- 3. Demonstrate social skills, spiritual and moral values for peaceful co-existence.
- 4. Explore, manipulate, manage and conserve the environment effectively for learning and sustainable development.
- 5. Practise relevant hygiene, sanitation and nutrition skills to promote health.
- 6. Demonstrate ethical behaviour and exhibit good citizenship as a civic responsibility.
- 7. Appreciate the country's rich and diverse cultural heritage for harmonious co-existence.
- 8. Manage pertinent and contemporary issues in society effectively.
- 9. Apply digital literacy skills for communication and learning.

ESSENCE STATEMENT

Integrated Science is a new learning area that enable learners to apply distinctive ways of logical valuing, thinking and working to understand natural phenomena in the biological, physical and technological world. The learning area is expected to create a scientific culture that inculcates scientific literacy to enable learners to make informed choices in their personal lives and approach life challenges in a systematic and logical manner. The inclusion of Integrated Science is therefore a deliberate effort to enhance the level of scientific literacy of all learners and equip them with the relevant basic integrated scientific knowledge, skills, values and attitudes needed for their own survival and/or career development. Concepts in Integrated Science are presented as units within which there are specific strands that build on the competencies acquired in Science and Technology at Primary level. The emphasis of science education at lower secondary levels is to enhance learners' scientific thinking through learning activities that involve the basic science process skills.

Integrated Science provides the learner with the basic requisite skills, knowledge, values and attitudes necessary for specialization in STEM pathway at senior school level. The rationale for inclusion of Integrated Science is anchored on the Kenya Vision 2030, Sessional Papers No. 14 of 2012, and No. 1 of 2019, which all underscore the importance of science, technology and innovation in education and training.

Integrated Science is taught through inquiry-based learning approaches with emphasis on the 5Es: engagement, exploration, elaboration and evaluation

SUBJECT GENERAL LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of Junior School, the learner should be able to:

- 1. Acquire scientific knowledge, skills, values and attitudes to make informed choices on career pathways at Senior School.
- 2. Select, improvise and safely use basic scientific tools, apparatus, materials and chemicals effectively in everyday life.
- 3. Explore, manipulate, manage and conserve the environment for learning and sustainable development.
- 4. Practise relevant hygiene, sanitation and nutrition skills to promote good health.
- 5. Apply the understanding of body systems with a view to promote and maintain good health.
- 6. Develop capacity for scientific inquiry and problem solving in different situations.
- 7. Appreciate the use of scientific knowledge, skills, principles and practices in everyday life.
- 8. Apply acquired scientific knowledge, skills, principles and practices in everyday life.

Strand	Sub Strand	Specific Learning Outcomes	Suggested Learning Experiences	Suggested Key
				Inquiry Questions
1.0 Mixtures,	1.1 Elements and	By the end of the sub strand,	The learner is guided to:	Why is it important
Elements and	Compounds	the learner should be able to:	• discuss the meaning of atoms, elements,	to use symbols for
Compounds	(18 lessons)	a) explain the relationship	molecules and compounds,	representing
	• Atoms, elements,	between an atom, an	• sample labelled containers of different	elements in day to
	molecules and	element, a molecule and a	substances, identify and record the elements	day life?
	compounds	compound,	or compounds on the containers,	
	• Symbols of	b) assign symbols to elements	• represent selected elements using symbols	
	common elements	c) use word equations to	collaboratively,	
	(oxygen, carbon,	represent reactions of	• write word equations to represent reactions	
	hydrogen, nitrogen,	elements to form	of selected elements to form compounds,	
	iron, aluminium,	compounds,	• identify elements in selected compounds	
	copper, silver, gold,	d) outline the applications of	with peers (compounds with only two	
	chlorine, sodium,	common elements in the	elements),	
	mercury, lead)	society,	• explore the importance of common elements	
	• Word equations for	e) appreciate the information	and compounds in society and present them	
	reactions of	on packaging labels of	in plenary,	
	elements to form	commonly consumed	• Where possible use digital devices to	
	compounds	substances.	observe simulations of atoms, elements,	
	(sodium chloride,		molecules and compounds.	
	water, carbon			
	dioxide, copper			
	oxide, aluminium			
	oxide)			
	• Uses of some			
	common elements in	·		

STRAND 1.0: MIXTURES, ELEMENTS AND COMPOUNDS

the society (jewellery, construction, electricity, food		
nutrients, minerals elements, medals		

Core competencies to be developed

- Learning to learn: The learner reflects on their own experiences as they identify elements and compounds on labels of containers.
- Communication and collaboration: The learner writes clearly and correctly the symbols of elements, compounds and word equations.

Pertinent and Contemporary Issues (PCIs)

• Financial literacy: The learner explores the importance of common elements and compounds in society.

Values

• Unity The learner cooperates with others to identify elements and compounds from sample labelled containers of different substances.

Links to other subjects

• Agriculture and Nutrition: The learner uses ingredients and items made from the common elements and compounds.

Strand	Sub Strand	Specific Learning Outcomes	Suggested Learning Experiences	Suggested Key	
				Inquiry Questions	
1.0. Mixtures,	1.2 Physical and chemical	By the end of the sub strand, the	The learner is guided to:	How does the	
Elements and	changes	learner should be able to:	• discuss the characteristics of	movement of	
Compounds	(22 lessons)	a) describe the characteristics of	particles in the three states of matter	particles in matter	
_	• Kinetic theory of matter	particles in the three states of	(kinetic theory of matter),	affect its	
	Heating curve	matter	• perform experiments to demonstrate	properties?	
	• Effects of impurities on	h) explain the effects of impurities	diffusion in liquids and gases, for		
	boiling point and	b) explain the effects of impurities	example water and ink to illustrate		
	melting point.	on boiling point and melting	kinetic theory of matter,		
	• Physical and chemical	point of a substance,	• carry out simple experiments to		
	changes (both	c) distinguish between physical	determine the boiling and melting		
	temporary and	and chemical changes in	points of pure and impure		
	permanent changes)	substances,	substances with peers,		
	 Applications of 	d) outline applications of change	• draw the heating curve and discuss		
	physical and chemical	of state of matter in day-to-day	the trends,		
	changes in day to day	life,	• discuss the effects of impurities on		
	life	e) appreciate the applications of	boiling point and melting point,		
		change of state of matter in day-	• carry out simple experiments to		
		to-day life.	demonstrate physical changes and		
			chemical changes,		
			• discuss the applications of physical		
			and chemical changes in day-to-day		
			life.		
			• where applicable use digital devices		
			to play and observe videos and		
			animations showing movement of		
			particles in the different states of		
		•	matter.		

Core competen	Core competencies to be developed					

- Critical thinking and problem solving: The learner uses logical reasoning while discussing the characteristics of particles in the three states of matter.
- **Digital literacy:** The learner uses digital devices to play and observe videos and animations showing movement of particles in the different states of matter.

Pertinent and Contemporary Issues (PCIs)

• Safety and security: The learner observes safety while carrying out simple experiments to determine the boiling and melting points of pure and impure substances with peers.

Values:

• Unity The learner cooperates with peers as they carry out simple experiments to determine the boiling and melting points of pure and impure substances.

Link to other Learning areas:

• Agriculture and Nutrition: The learner preserves food by applying the knowledge of change of state of matter.

Strand	Sub Strand	Specific Learning Outcomes	Suggested Learning Experiences	Suggested Key
1.0 Mixtures, Elements and Compounds	 1.3 Classes of fire (20 Lessons) Causes of fire (classes of fire) Fire triangle and Fire control (breaking the fire triangle and use of fire extinguishers) Dangers of fires 	 By the end of the sub strand, the learner should be able to: a) identify causes of fire in nature, b) explain the role of fire triangle in spread of fire, c) describe ways of controlling fires in nature, d) acknowledge the dangers of fires in nature. 	 The learner is guided to: discuss the possible causes of fire in nature, discuss the role of the fire triangle in the spread of fire, brainstorm on the different classes of fire, discuss the dangers of fires in the environment, practice fire control measures with peers, discuss rights to safety and access to information on flammable substances, Where possible, use digital devices or print media to search for fire control measures. project: Learner is guided to prepare posters on classes of fires and their control measures and hang either at school, home or neighbouring markets 	What are the dangers of fire in nature?

Core competencies to be developed:
Citizenship: The learner enhances active community life skills by making posters on classes of fires and their control measures and hanging them at school, home and neighbouring markets.

Pertinent and Contemporary Issues (PCIs):

• Safety and security: as the learner discusses the dangers of fires in the environment.

Values:

- **Respect:** The learner observes rules of engagement while working with peers in groups to classify fire according to the cause and suggest control measures.
- **Responsibility**: The learner observes safety precautions when dealing with fires and flammable materials.

Link to other Learning areas:

• Social studies: The learner practises safety measures to prevent fire accidents in nature.

Assessment Rubric

Indicator	Exceeds expectation	Meets expectation	Approaches expectation	Below expectation
Assigning symbol to	Assigns symbol to all	Assigns symbol to most	Assigns symbol to some	Assigns symbol to some
elements	elements provided correctly	elements provided correctly	elements provided correctly	elements provided
				correctly with prompt
Writing word equation for	Writes word equation for	Writes word equation for	Writes word equation for	Writes word equation for
reactions of elements to	any given reactions correctly	most of the given reactions	some given reactions	some given reactions
form compounds		correctly	correctly	correctly with prompt
		· · · · ·		
Describing the	Describes the characteristics	Describes the characteristics	Describes the	Describes the
characteristics of particles	of particles in the three	of particles in any two states	characteristics of particles	characteristics of particles
in the three states of matter	states of matter correctly	of matter correctly	in one state of matter	in one state of matter
			correctly	partially
Distinguishing between	Distinguishes between	Distinguishes between	Distinguishes between	Distinguish between
physical and chemical	physical and chemical	physical and chemical	physical and chemical	physical and chemical
changes	changes elaborately	changes clearly	changes partially	changes superficially
Outlining applications of	Outlines most applications	Outlines most applications	Outlines some applications	Outlines some applications
physical and chemical	of physical and chemical	of physical and chemical	of physical and chemical	of physical and chemical
changes	changes in details correctly	changes	changes	changes
		correctly	correctly	Correctly with prompt
Identifying classes of fires	Identifies all classes of fires	Identifies four to five	Identifies two to three	Identifies one class of fire
in nature	in nature correctly	classes of fire in nature	classes of fire in nature	in nature

		correctly	correctly	correctly		
Describing ways of	Describes ways of	Describes ways of	Describes ways of	Describes ways of		
controlling fires in nature	controlling all classes of	controlling four to five	controlling two to three	controlling one class of		
	fires in nature correctly	classes of fires in nature	classes of fires in nature	fires in nature correctly		
		correctly	correctly			
STRAND 2.0: LIVING THINGS AND THEIR ENVIRONMENT						

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Strand	Sub Strand	Specific Learning Outcomes	Suggested Learning Experiences	Suggested Key
				Inquiry
				Questions
2.0 Living	2.1 The Cell	By the end of the sub strand	The learner is guided to:	What
Things and their	(20 lessons)	the learner should be able to:	• collaboratively prepare, mount,	makes up
Environment	• Definition of the cell	a) outline the structure of	observe and draw plant cells as seen	plant and
	• Cell structure as seen	plant and animal cells as	under a light microscope, (<i>include a</i>	animal
	under a light	observed under a light	reminder on how to use and care for a	cells?
	microscope (plant	microscope,	light microscope)	
	and animal cells)	b) describe the functions of	• collaboratively observe, draw and	
	• Preparation of	components of cells as	label animal cells on permanent	
	temporary slides of	seen under the light	slides as seen under the light	
	plant cells	microscope,	microscope.	
	• magnification of	c) compare plant and animal	• use print and non-print material to	
	cells seen under the	cells as observed under a	search for information on functions of	
	light microscope	light microscope,	components of plant and animal cells as	
		d) determine the	seen under the light microscope.	
		magnification of cells	 discuss the similarities and differences 	
		seen under the light	between plant and animal cells as seen	
		microscope,	under a light microscope	
		e) appreciate that all	• calculate magnification of specimens at	
		living things are made	• calculate magnification of specificity at	
		of microscopic units.	microscopo	
			microscope.	

Core competencies to be developed:

- Learning to learn: The learner prepares, mounts, observes and draws plant cells as seen under a light microscope.
- Self-efficacy: The learner successfully prepares and observes specimens under the light microscope.

Pertinent and Contemporary Issues (PCIs)

• Environmental conservation: The learner safely disposes off waste materials generated from experiments on study of cells.

Values

- Unity: The learner displays team spirit as they prepare, mount, observe and draw plant cells as seen under a light microscope.
- **Responsibility:** The learner performs assigned roles as they observe, draw and label animal cells on permanent slides as seen under the light microscope.

Link to other learning areas:

• The information on calculating magnification is linked to basic arithmetic in Mathematics.



Strand	Sub Strand	Specific Learning Outcomes	Suggested Learning Experiences	Key Inquiry Questions
2.0 Living Things and their Environment	 2.2 Movement of materials in and out of the cell (16 lessons) Diffusion and Osmosis Demonstration of diffusion and osmosis Role of diffusion and osmosis in living things (<i>Absorption of water</i>, <i>nutrients in the intestines</i>, <i>gases in the lungs</i>) 	 By the end of the sub strand the learner should be able to; a) outline the process of diffusion and osmosis in cells, b) demonstrate diffusion and osmosis in living things, c) explain the role of diffusion and osmosis in living things, d) appreciate the importance of diffusion and osmosis in living things. 	 The learner is guided to: use print and non-print material to search for information on the processes involved in movement of materials in and out of a cell, discuss with peers (cover diffusion and osmosis), set-up experiments to demonstrate diffusion of materials in plant materials and share their findings with peers, set-up experiments to demonstrate osmosis using visking tubing and plant materials and share their findings with peers, search for information from print and non-print media on the roles of diffusion and osmosis in living things and discuss with peers. 	How do materials move in and out of a cell?

Core competencies to be developed:

- Communication and collaboration: The learner writes clearly and correctly while recording findings from experiments to demonstrate diffusion and osmosis.
- Self-efficacy: The learner executes assigned tasks successfully while carrying out experiments to demonstrate diffusion and osmosis.

Values:

- **Respect** The learner appreciates the opinions of peers when discussing the roles of diffusion and osmosis in living things.
- **Responsibility-** The learner executes assigned roles while carrying out experiments to demonstrate diffusion and osmosis.

Pertinent and Contemporary Issues (PCIs)

• Waste management: The learner appropriately disposes off waste materials from experiments to demonstrate diffusion and osmosis.

Link to other learning areas:

• The information on diffusion and osmosis is linked to absorption of water and mineral salts from the soil by crops in Agriculture and Nutrition.

Strand	Sub Strand	Specific Learning	Suggested Learning Experiences	Suggested Key
		Outcomes	A	Inquiry Question(s)
3.0	2.3 Reproduction in human	By the end of the sub	The learner is guided to:	How best can
Living things	beings (18 lessons)	strand the learner should	• search for information from print or	challenges related to
and their	• The menstrual cycle in human	be able to:	non-print media on the menstrual	the menstrual cycle
Environment	beings (omit details of hormonal	a) outline the menstrual	cycle and discuss with peers,	be managed?
	control)	cycle and its related	• search for information from print or	
	 Challenges related to the 	challenges in human	non-print media on challenges	
	menstrual cycle (include	beings,	related to the menstrual cycle and	
	irregular periods, irregular	b) develop a plan to	discuss with peers,	
	bleeding, and pain)	manage challenges	• discuss management of challenges	
	 Process of fertilisation and 	related to menstrual	related to the menstrual cycle and	
	implantation (cover fusion of	cycle in human beings,	share experiences with peers,	
	sperm with the egg and	c) describe fertilisation	• study illustrations/charts on	
	implantation of blastocyst in the	and implantation in	fertilisation and implantation,	
	uterus)	human beings,	• search for information from print	
	Note: -details on formation of	d) outline symptoms and	and non-print materials on	
	blastocyst not necessary	prevention of common	symptoms of common STIs and	
	• Symptoms and prevention of	STIs in human beings,	their prevention, discuss.	
	common STIs (HIV& Aids,	e) appreciate the need for a		
	Gonorrhea, Syphilis, Herpes -	healthy reproductive		
	Avoid details of causative agent)	system.		
Core competer	ncies to be developed:			

- Learning to learn: The learner organises own learning while searching for information from print and non-print materials on symptoms of common STIs and their prevention.
- Self-efficacy: The learner appreciates and successfully manages challenges related to the menstrual cycle.

Values:

- Love: The learner shows empathy and embraces those with menstrual challenges.
- **Respect**: The learner shows open mindedness while discussing symptoms of common STIs and their prevention.

Pertinent and Contemporary Issues (PCIs):

• Health promotion issues The learner discusses challenges related to the menstrual cycle and prevention of common STIs. Link to other learning areas:

• The information on common STIs is linked to communicable diseases in Agriculture and Nutrition.

Suggested Assessment Rubric					
Levels Indicator	Exceeds expectation	Meets expectation	Approaches expectation	Below expectation	
Comparing plant and animal cells as observed under a light microscope	Compares plant and animal cells as observed under a light microscope comprehensively	Compares plant and animal cells as observed under a light microscope	Compares plant and animal cells as observed under a light microscope partially	Compares plant and animal cells as observed under a light microscope partially with prompts	
Explaining the role of diffusion and osmosis in living things	Explains the role of diffusion and osmosis in living things in-depth	Explains the role of diffusion and osmosis in living things	Explains the role of diffusion and osmosis in living things partially	Explains the role of diffusion and osmosis in living things partially with prompts	
Demonstrating diffusion and osmosis in living things	Demonstrates diffusion and osmosis in living things skillfully	Demonstrates diffusion and osmosis in living things	Demonstrates diffusion and osmosis in living things simplistically	Demonstrates diffusion and osmosis in living things haphazardly	
Outlining the menstrual cycle and its related challenges in human beings	Outlines the menstrual cycle and its related challenges in human beings exhaustively	Outlines the menstrual cycle and its related challenges in human beings	Outlines the menstrual cycle and its related challenges in human beings superficially	Outlines the menstrual cycle and its related challenges in human beings superficially with prompts	
Developing a plan to manage challenges related to menstrual cycle in human beings	Develops an innovative plan to manage challenges related to menstrual cycle in human beings	Develops a plan to manage challenges related to menstrual cycle in human beings	Develops a simple plan to manage challenges related to menstrual cycle in human beings	Develops a simple plan to manage challenges related to menstrual cycle in human with prompts	

Strand	Sub Strand	Specific Learning	Suggested Learning Experiences	Key Inquiry Question(s)
		Outcomes		
3.0 Force and energy	 3.1 Transformation of energy (20 lessons) Forms of energy in nature Renewable and non-renewable energy sources Energy transformations in nature Safety measures associated with energy transformation Applications of energy transformation in day-to- day life. 	OutcomesBy the end of the sub strand, the learner should be able to:a) identify forms of energy in nature,b) classify energy sources into either renewable or non- renewable,c) demonstrate simple energy transformations in nature,d) describe safety 	 The learner is guided to: discuss with peers and identify forms of energy found in nature (<i>light, heat, potential, kinetic, gravitational, electrical energy, sound energy, chemical energy, nuclear or atomic energy),</i> discuss and classify energy sources in nature (<i>renewable and non-renewable sources),</i> use digital or print media to search for more information on classification of energy sources in nature, carry out activities to show energy transformation in day-to-day life (<i>electrical to heat, chemical to electrical, mechanical to electrical, electrical to light, electrical to sound and potential to kinetic),</i> discuss and identify applications of energy transformations in day to day life (<i>use of a falling object, rubbing both hands, burning of wood, electric bulbs, Light Emitting Diodes (LED), electric heater, steam engine, piezoelectricity, microphone, windmills, electric generator/dynamo, hydroelectric dams, thermocouple, geothermal power plant, solar panel, electric motor),</i> use digital or print media to search for more informations in day to day life, discuss safety measures associated with energy transformations and strategies of mitigating them (<i>relate to road accidents; K.E to P.E; action and</i> 	 What are the sources of energy in the environment? How is energy transformation applied in day-to- day life?

STRAND 3.0: FORCE AND ENERGY

 <i>hazard from bright light, loud sound</i>), use digital or print media to search for more information on safety measures associated with energy transformation and strategies of mitigating them. 	

Core competencies to be developed:

- **Critical thinking and problem solving:** The learner explores problems and creates different solutions as they discuss examples and applications of energy transformation processes in day to day life.
- Creativity and imagination: The learner experiments with ideas to test workability of energy transformation in day-to-day life.

Pertinent and Contemporary Issues (PCIs):

• **Citizenship education:** The learner exercises civic responsibility as they use digital or print media to search for more information on safety measures associated with energy transformation and strategies of mitigating them.

Values:

- Social justice: The learner cooperates with peers as they discuss and classify energy sources in nature.
- Love: The learner cares for others as they demonstrate the processes of energy transformation in day-to-day life.

Link to other Learning Areas:

Agriculture and Nutrition: The learner relates the concept of energy transformation to cooking processes in day-to-day life.

Strand	Sub Strand	Specific Learning	Suggested Learning Experiences	Key Inquiry Questions
		Outcomes		
3.0 Force	3.2 Pressure	By the end of the sub	The learner is guided to:	What are the
and	(16 lessons)	strand, the learner should be	• brainstorm on the meaning of pressure as used in	applications of
Energy		able to:	science,	pressure in solids
	 Pressure in solids and liquids Applications of pressure in solids and liquids 	 a) describe pressure in solids and liquids, b) demonstrate pressure in solids and liquids, c) identify applications of pressure in solids 	 carry out activities to demonstrate pressure exerted by solids (<i>sharp and blunt cutting surfaces, stiletto and flat soled shoes, bricks on different surfaces, construction of water dams),</i> carry out activities to demonstrate pressure in liquids (<i>tin with vertical holes at different heights filled with</i> 	and liquids?

	and liquids, d) appreciate the applications of pressure in solids and liquids.	•	 water, water finding its own level in a container, the syringe, drinking straw), discuss the relationship among pressure, area of contact and weight of solids and relationship between pressure and height of liquid based on observations made on materials with different surface areas and liquid columns (qualitative treatment only), discuss the applications of pressure in solids and liquids (axle load capacity, syringe, high heeled shoes, cutting tools, car brakes, siphons, bicycle pumps, drinking straw). 	
		•	use digital or print media to search for more information on the applications of pressure in solids and liquids.	

Core competencies to be developed:

- **Digital literacy:** The learner interacts with technology while using digital media to search for more information on the applications of pressure in solids and liquids.
- Learning to Learn: The learner realizes new findings on the relationship among pressure, area of contact and weight of solids, and relationship between pressure and height of liquid.

Pertinent and Contemporary Issues (PCIs):

Citizenship education: The learner exercises human rights as they use digital or print media to search for more information on the applications of pressure in solids and liquids.

Values:

- Unity: The learner cooperates while carrying out activities to demonstrate pressure exerted by solids and pressure in liquids.
- Integrity: The learner follows laid down procedures in using appropriate materials in groups to demonstrate pressure in liquids give fair results.

Link to other Learning Areas:

• Pre-technical and Business Studies: The learner relates concepts of pressure in construction.

Assessment Rubric				
Indicator	Exceeds expectation	Meets expectation	Approaches expectation	Below expectation
Ability to classify energy sources into either renewable or nonrenewable	Classifies energy sources into either renewable or nonrenewable extensively	Classifies energy sources into either renewable or nonrenewable sufficiently	Classifies a few energy sources into either renewable or nonrenewable	Classifies energy sources into either renewable or nonrenewable with prompt
Ability to demonstrate simple energy transformations in nature.	Demonstrates simple energy transformations in nature correctly and consistently	Demonstrates simple energy transformations in nature correctly	Demonstrates simple energy transformations in nature partially	Demonstrates simple energy transformations in nature with hints
Ability to describe safety measures associated with energy transformation.	Describes safety measures associated with energy transformation extensively	Describes safety measures associated with energy transformation sufficiently	Describes some safety measures associated with energy transformation correctly	Describes some safety measures associated with energy transformation with prompt
Ability to demonstrate pressure in solids, and liquids.	Demonstrates pressure in solids and liquids correctly an consistently	Demonstrates pressure in solids and liquids correctly	Demonstrates pressure in solids and liquids partially	Demonstrates pressure in solid and liquids with hints
Ability to identify applications of pressure in solids and liquids.	Identifies applications of pressure in solids and liquids extensively	Identifies applications of pressure in solids and liquids sufficiently	Identifies some applications of pressure in solids and liquids correctly	Identifies some applications of pressure in solids and liquids with prompt

Assessment Methods in Science	Learning Resources	Non-Formal Activities	
Reflections	• Laboratory Apparatus and	• Visit the science historical sites.	
Game Playing	Equipment	• Use digital devices to conduct	
Pre-Post Testing	• Textbooks	scientific research.	
Model Making	Software	• Organizing walks to have live	
Explorations	Relevant reading materials	learning experiences.	
• Experiments	Digital Devices	• Developing simple guidelines on	
Investigations	• Recordings	how to identify and solve some	
Conventions, Conferences,		community problems.	
and Debates		Conducting science document	
Applications		analysis.	
Teacher Observations		• Participating in talks by	
• Project		resource persons on science	
• Journals		concepts.	
Portfolio		• Participating in science clubs and	
Oral or Aural Questions		societies	
• Learner's Profile		• Attending and participating science	
• Written Tests		and engineering fairs	
Anecdotal Records		• Organizing and participating in	
		exchange programmes.	
		Making oral presentations and	
		demonstrations on science issues.	

APPENDIX: LIST OF ASSESSMENT METHODS, LEARNING RESOURCES AND NON-FORMAL ACTIVITIES

CSL AT GRADE 8 STRAND 2.0 COMMUNITY SERVICE LEARNING PROJECT Introduction

In Grade 8, learners will undertake an integrated Community Service Learning (CSL) project of choice from a single or combined subject. The CSL project will enable the learner to apply knowledge and skills from other subjects to address a problem in the community. The implementation of the integrated CSL project will take a Whole School Approach, where all members of the school community including teachers, school administration, parents/guardians/ local community and support staff. It will be a collaborative effort where the teacher of Social Studies coordinates and works with other subject teachers to design and implement the integrated CSL projects. The teachers will select a theme drawn from different Learning Areas and the broader categories of Pertinent and Contemporary Issues (PCIs) for the CSL project. It should also provide an opportunity for development of core competencies and nurturing of values. Learners will undertake **one common** integrated class CSL project following a 6-step milestone approach as follows:

Milestone	Description
Milestone 1	 Problem Identification Learners study their community to understand the challenges faced and their effects on community members. Some of the challenges in the community can be: Environmental degradation Lifestyle diseases, Communicable and non-communicable diseases Poverty Violence and conflicts in the community Food security issues
Milestone 2	Designing a solution Learners create an intervention to address the challenge identified.

Milestone 3	Planning for the Project Learners share roles, create a list of activities to be undertaken, mobilise resources needed to create their intervention and set timelines for execution
Milestone 4	Implementation The learners execute the project and keep evidence of work done.
Milestone 5	Showcasing /Exhibition and Report Writing Exhibitions involve showcasing learners' project items to the community and reflecting on the feedback Learners write a report detailing their project activities and learnings from feedback
Milestone 6	Reflection Learners review all project work to learn from the challenges faced. They link project work with academic concepts, noting how the concepts enabled them to do their project as well as how the project helped to deepen learning of the academic concepts.

NOTE: The milestones will be staggered across the 3 terms of the academic calendar.

Assessment of CSL integrated Project

Assessment for the integrated CSL project will be conducted formatively. The assessment will consider both the process and end product. This entails assessing each of the milestone stages of the integrated CSL class project. It will focus on 3 components namely: skills from various learning areas

applied in carrying out the project, core competencies developed and values nurtured.