2015-16 Assessment Recommendations for Grade 3

Standard	Option One	Option Two		
3.1	How Can We Improve A Design?	How Can You Use a Model?		
Sci Investigation*	Source: Science Fusion Inquiry Flipchart page 11	Source: Science Fusion Inquiry Flipchart page 3		
3.2	How Do Simple Machines Affect Work?	Level and Fulcrum		
Force, Motion, Energy	Source: Science Fusion Inquiry Flipchart page 50	Source: Science Fusion Assessment Guide page 110		
3.3	What Physical Properties Can We Observe?	Explore Melting		
Matter	Source: Science Fusion Inquiry Flipchart page 43	Source: Science Fusion Assessment Guide 100		
3.4	Animal Adaptations: Physical Characteristics	How Can We Model a Physical Adaptation?		
Life Processes	Source: VA Enhanced Scope & Sequence http://www.doe.virginia.gov/testing/sol/standards_docs/science/2010/lesson_plans/index.shtml	Source: Science Fusion Inquiry Flipchart page 16		
3.5/6	Design an Ant Keeper	What is in an Ecosystem?		
Living Systems	Source: Science Fusion Assessment Guide page 23	Source: Science Fusion Inquiry Flipchart page 20		
3.7	Digging In	Studying Plant Soils		
Earth/Space Systems	Source: VA Enhanced Scope & Sequence http://www.doe.virginia.gov/testing/sol/standards_docs/science/2010/lesson_plans/index.shtml	Source: Science Fusion Inquiry Flipchart page 32		
3.8/9	As the World Turns	How Can We Model the Moon Phases?		
Earth Patterns	Source: VA Enhanced Scope & Sequence http://www.doe.virginia.gov/testing/sol/standards_docs/science/2010/lesson_plans/index.shtml	Source: Science Fusion Inquiry Flipchart page 39		
3.10/11	Is it Hotter?	How Can We Conserve Resources?		
Earth Resources	Source: VA Enhanced Scope & Sequence http://www.doe.virginia.gov/testing/sol/standards_docs/science/2010/lesson_plans/index.shtml	Source: Science Fusion Inquiry Flipchart page 31		

^{*}note: this strand is also woven into the assessments for the other standards

2015-16 Assessment Recommendations for Grade 3 in Pacing Guide order

1 st Quarter		2 nd Quarter	
SOL	Assessment	SOL	Assessment
3.1	How Can We Improve a Design OR	3.4/5	Animal Adaptations OR
	How Can You Use a Model?		How Can We Model Physical Adaptations?
3.6	Ant Keeper OR What Is An Ecosystem?	3.10	Is it Hotter? (or "How Can we Conserve?" in Q4)
3.8(b,c)			

3 rd Quarter		4 th Quarter	
SOL	Assessment	SOL	Assessment
3.2	How Do Simple Machines Work? OR Level and Fulcrum	3.11	How Can We Conserve Resources? (or "Is it Hotter?" in Q2)
3.3	What Physical Properties Can We Observe OR Explore Melting	3.7	Digging In OR Studying Plant Soils
3.8(a)	As the World Turns OR How Can We Model the Moon Phases?		

^{*}Note: Only one assessment is necessary for 3.8 and 3.9 because they are in the same Earth Patterns strand. It is the same for 3.4/5 and 3.10/11.