ELEMENTS OF BASIC BIOLOGY

Strand - B: Scientific and engineering practices	Student Text	Practice Book	Teacher Resource Edition Activities & Projects
Knowledge & Skill Statement - B.1: The student, for at least 40% of instructional time, asks questions, identifies problems, and plans and safely conducts classroom, laboratory, and field investigations to answer questions, explain phenomena, or design solutions using appropriate tools and models. The student is expected to:			

B.1A: Ask questions and define problems based on	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11,	
observations or information from text, phenomena,	12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19,	
models, or investigations.	20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27,	
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B.1B: Apply scientific practices to plan and conduct	10, 11	
descriptive, comparative, and experimental		
investigations and use engineering practices to		
design solutions to problems.		

B.1C: Use appropriate safety equipment and practices during laboratory, classroom, and field investigations as outlined in Texas Education Agencyapproved safety standards.	3	
B.1D: Use appropriate tools such as microscopes, slides, Petri dishes, laboratory glassware, metric rulers, digital balances, pipets, filter paper, micropipettes, gel electrophoresis and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) apparatuses, microcentrifuges, water baths, incubators, thermometers, hot plates, data collection probes, test tube holders, lab notebooks or journals, hand lenses, and models, diagrams, or samples of biological specimens or structures.	3, 36	
B.1E: Collect quantitative data using the International System of Units (SI) and qualitative data as evidence.	10, 11	
B.1F: Organize quantitative and qualitative data using scatter plots, line graphs, bar graphs, charts, data tables, digital tools, diagrams, scientific drawings, and student-prepared models.	72, 73, 90, 95, 98, 99, 100, 132, 133, 135, 136, 137, 142, 147, 148, 149, 152, 154, 155, 160, 161, 164, 165, 169, 176	
B.1G: Develop and use models to represent phenomena, systems, processes, or solutions to engineering problems.	10, 11, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 81, 90, 106, 111, 112, 116, 121, 123, 124, 136, 137, 141, 142, 144, 147, 148, 149, 160, 161, 163, 164, 168, 169, 171, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180	

B.1H: Distinguish among scientific hypotheses, theories, and laws.	10, 11	
Knowledge & Skill Statement - B.2: The student analyzes and interprets data to derive meaning, identify features and patterns, and discover relationships or correlations to develop evidence-based arguments or evaluate designs. The student is expected to:		
B.2A: Identify advantages and limitations of models such as their size, scale, properties, and materials.	72, 73, 90, 151	
B.2B: Analyze data by identifying significant statistical features, patterns, sources of error, and limitations.	72, 73, 90	
B.2C: Use mathematical calculations to assess quantitative relationships in data.	72, 73, 90	
B.2D: Evaluate experimental and engineering designs.	11, 72, 73, 90	
Knowledge & Skill Statement - B.3: The student develops evidence-based explanations and communicates findings, conclusions, and proposed solutions. The student is expected to:		
B.3A: Develop explanations and propose solutions supported by data and models and consistent with scientific ideas, principles, and theories.	11, 72, 73, 90	

B.3B: Communicate explanations and solutions	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11,	
individually and collaboratively in a variety of	12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19,	
settings and formats.	20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27,	
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B.3C: Engage respectfully in scientific argumentation	10, 106	
using applied scientific explanations and empirical		
evidence.		

Knowledge & Skill Statement - B.4: The student		
knows the contributions of scientists and		
recognizes the importance of scientific research		
and innovation on society. The student is expected		
to:		
B.4A: Analyze, evaluate, and critique scientific	10, 11, 69, 78, 109	
explanations and solutions by using empirical		
evidence, logical reasoning, and experimental and		
observational testing, so as to encourage critical		
thinking by the student.		
B.4B: Relate the impact of past and current research	22, 36, 64, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73,	
on scientific thought and society, including research	89, 95, 96, 97, 98, 100, 101,	
methodology, cost- benefit analysis, and	104, 105, 108, 111, 119, 127,	
contributions of diverse scientists as related to the	157, 158, 182	
content.		
B.4C: Research and explore resources such as	22, 36, 64, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73,	
museums, libraries, professional organizations,	89, 95, 96, 97, 98, 100, 101,	
private companies, online platforms, and mentors	104, 105, 108, 111, 119, 127,	
employed in a science, technology, engineering, and	157, 158, 182	
mathematics (STEM) field in order to investigate		
STEM careers.		
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Strand - B: Science conceptsbiological structures, functions, and processes		
Knowledge & Skill Statement - B.5: The student		
knows that biological structures at multiple levels		
of organization perform specific functions and		
processes that affect life. The student is expected		
to:		

B.5A: Relate the functions of different types of	26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34,	
biomolecules, including carbohydrates, lipids,	35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42,	
proteins, and nucleic acids, to the structure and	43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 52, 61, 68,	
function of a cell.	74, 80, 84, 85, 87, 120, 123,	
	124, 167	
B.5B: Compare and contrast prokaryotic and	34, 36, 42, 126	
eukaryotic cells, including their complexity, and		
compare and contrast scientific explanations for		
cellular complexity.		
B.5C: Investigate homeostasis through the cellular	167, 173	
transport of molecules.		
B.5D: Compare the structures of viruses to cells and	185	
explain how viruses spread and cause disease.		
Knowledge & Skill Statement - B.6: The student		
knows how an organism grows and the		
importance of cell differentiation. The student is expected to:		
B.6A: Explain the importance of the cell cycle to the	33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40,	
growth of organisms, including an overview of the	41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 58,	
stages of the cell cycle and deoxyribonucleic acid	59, 60, 61, 62, 66, 68, 74, 75,	
(DNA) replication models.	76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83,	
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	92, 93, 96, 120, 124, 150	
B.6B: Explain the process of cell specialization	33, 34, 36, 38, 126, 174, 179,	
through cell differentiation, including the role of	180, 181	
environmental factors.		

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B.6C: Relate disruptions of the cell cycle to how they	1/2, 185		
lead to the development of diseases such as cancer.			
Strand - B: Science conceptsmechanisms of			
genetics			
Knowledge & Skill Statement - B.7: The student			
knows the role of nucleic acids in gene expression.			
The student is expected to:			
B.7A: Identify components of DNA, explain how the	74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81,		
nucleotide sequence specifies some traits of an	82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89,		
organism, and examine scientific explanations for	90, 91, 92, 93		
the origin of DNA.	30, 31, 32, 33		
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B.7B: Describe the significance of gene expression	64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71,		
and explain the process of protein synthesis using	72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79,		
models of DNA and ribonucleic acid (RNA).	80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87,		
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B.7C: Identify and illustrate changes in DNA and			
evaluate the significance of these changes.			
	106, 107, 108, 109		
B.7D: Discuss the importance of molecular	86, 87, 91, 92, 93		
technologies such as polymerase chain reaction			
(PCR), gel electrophoresis, and genetic engineering			
that are applicable in current research and			
engineering practices.			
Knowledge & Skill Statement - B.8: The student			
knows the role of nucleic acids and the principles of			
inheritance and variation of traits in Mendelian and			
non-Mendelian genetics. The student is expected			
to:			
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B.8A: Analyze the significance of chromosome	58, 59, 60, 61, 62	
reduction, independent assortment, and crossing-		
over during meiosis in increasing diversity in		
populations of organisms that reproduce sexually.		
B.8B: Predict possible outcomes of various genetic		
combinations using monohybrid and dihybrid		
crosses, including non- Mendelian traits of		
incomplete dominance, codominance, sex-linked		
traits, and multiple alleles.	83, 90, 91, 92, 93	
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Knowledge & Skill Statement - B.9: The student		
knows evolutionary theory is a scientific		
explanation for the unity and diversity of life that		
has multiple lines of evidence. The student is		
expected to:		
B.9A: Analyze and evaluate how evidence of		
common ancestry among groups is provided by the		
fossil record, biogeography, and homologies,		
including anatomical, molecular, and		
developmental.	105, 106, 107, 108, 109	
B.9B: Examine scientific explanations for varying		
rates of change such as gradualism, abrupt		
appearance, and stasis in the fossil record.		
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Knowledge & Skill Statement - B.10: The student		
knows evolutionary theory is a scientific		
explanation for the unity and diversity of life that		
has multiple mechanisms. The student is expected		
to:		

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B.11B: Investigate and explain the role of enzymes in		
facilitating cellular processes.		
racilitating centular processes.	28, 31, 38, 39, 41, 52, 85, 170	
Knowledge & Skill Statement - B.12: The student		
knows that multicellular organisms are composed		
of multiple systems that interact to perform		
complex functions. The student is expected to:		
B.12A: Analyze the interactions that occur among	48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55,	
systems that perform the functions of regulation,	56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 167,	
nutrient absorption, reproduction, and defense from		
injury or illness in animals.	174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179,	
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B.12B: Explain how the interactions that occur	48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55,	
among systems that perform functions of transport,	56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 126,	
reproduction, and response in plants are facilitated	127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132,	
by their structures.	133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138,	
by their structures.	139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144,	
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Knowledge & Skill Statement - B.13: The student		
knows that interactions at various levels of		
organization occur within an ecosystem to maintain		
stability. The student is expected to:		
B.13A: Investigate and evaluate how ecological		
relationships, including predation, parasitism,	50, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110,	
commensalism, mutualism, and competition,	111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116,	
influence ecosystem stability.	117, 118, 119	
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B.13B: Analyze how ecosystem stability is affected		
by disruptions to the cycling of matter and flow of		
energy through trophic levels using models.		
	49, 50, 111	
B.13C: Explain the significance of the carbon and		
nitrogen cycles to ecosystem stability and analyze		
the consequences of disrupting these cycles.		
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B.13D: Explain how environmental change, including		
change due to human activity, affects biodiversity	50, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110,	
and analyze how changes in biodiversity impact	111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116,	
ecosystem stability.	117, 118, 119	