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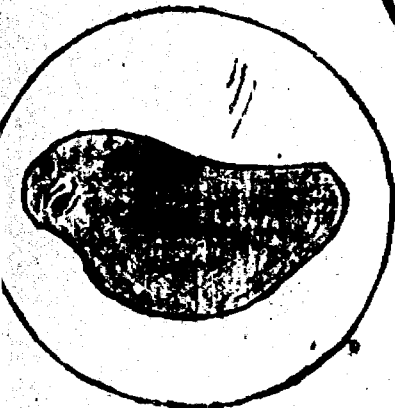
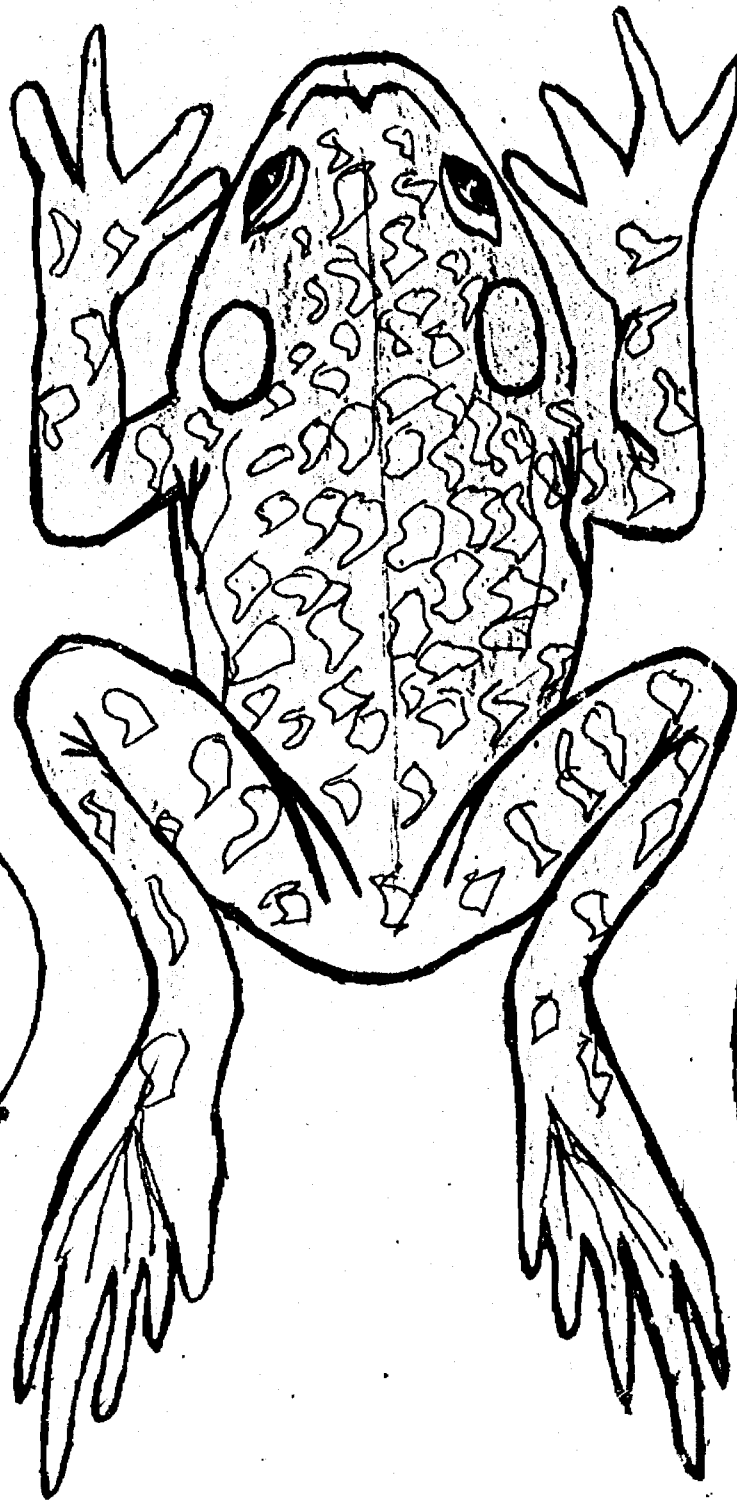
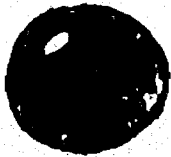
This curricular guide focuses on life science and is designed for use with seventh grade students. Life science was chosen as the course of study based on the rationale that, as pupils enter junior high school, they are in early adolescence and find it difficult to understand themselves so that the study of living things with a thorough explanation of the functions of the human body and its behavior seems appropriate. The guide contains objectives (not stated in behavioral form), a content outline, types of suggested activities, materials required, points to consider when evaluating the attainment of the objectives, a 362-word vocabulary list (arranged in alphabetical order), a bibliography for students and for teachers, and a list of filmstrips available in the professional library of the school district (Rock Hill, South Carolina) for which this guide was developed. (PEB)

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PHILOSOPHY

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The significance of science in the life of every person is deep and far-reaching. Contributions from science are so much a part of everyday living that the study of modern science in this spage age has a profound effect on the lives of young Americans.

Since science is an essential part of the curriculum in the schools, it should provide experience through which children may come to understand their physical environment. These experiences should develop an awareness to the plants, the animals, the earth's surface, the earth's neighbors, and the forces of nature -- gravity, magnetism, electricity.

INTRODUCTION

Life science can be a magic carpet of adventure and discovery. It can bring to life a fairyland in one's own backyard. But most important, life science is the study of the body and mind, and holds the secret of bodily health, of mental happiness, and of useful citizenship.

As a child enters junior high school during early adolescence, he often finds it difficult to understand himself. A study of living things with a thorough explanation of the functions of the human body and its behavior seems appropriate at this time.

The general plan of presentation and organization of units in this study guide provides for a maximum flexibility in gearing the course to a variety of ability levels and areas of special interest.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

1. To meet the felt needs of pupils, and further, to arouse an abiding interest in life science problems of great moment to mankind.
2. To help develop, on the junior high level, skill in scientific thinking, which includes:
 - (a) The ability to distinguish fact from inference
 - (b) The ability to follow the chain of reasoning by which a scientific generalization grows out of a body of fact.
3. To help inculcate the scientific attitude which includes:
 - (a) Willingness to suspend judgment when evidence is lacking
 - (b) Eagerness to search out the evidence on which opinion must rest
 - (c) Readiness to alter one's views when new evidence demands it
 - (d) Respect for the views of others, however different they may be, provided they rest on a body of fact or reasoning
4. To provide the student with experiences which will promote reflective thinking and problem solving
5. To help the pupil understand the working of his body so that there may be developed a desire to achieve physical and mental health
6. To help the pupil understand how a knowledge of life science may be used in improving our social and economic organization
7. To help satisfy the insatiable curiosity of pupils at the junior high level

CONTENT OUTLINE

PART I: Unity

The earth is populated by millions of different types of living creatures. All have their own way of living, but all share a similarity in structure and chemical organization. All plants and animals solve the problem of living by carrying on the same functions.

A. Introduction to Life Science

1. What is Life Science?

- (a) Effects on man and his environment
 - (1) Overcome superstitions
 - (2) Improved health and sanitation
 - (3) Better food production
 - (4) Conquest and control of diseases
- (b) The branches of life science
- (c) How the biologist works (scientific method)

2. The Compound Microscope

- (a) Parts of the microscope
 - (1) Optical parts
 - (2) Mechanical parts
 - (3) Illuminating parts
- (b) Care of the microscope
- (c) Using the microscope
 - (1) Preparing and examining slides
 - (2) The meaning of magnification
- (d) The importance of the microscope

3. Observing and Learning Familiar Plants and Animals

B. The Nature of Life

1. What is Life?

(a) The life functions

- (1) Ingestion
- (2) Digestion
- (3) Absorption
- (4) Circulation
- (5) Assimilation
- (6) Excretion
- (7) Movement
- (8) Sensitivity
- (9) Respiration
- (10) Reproduction

2. The Basic Structure of Living Things (cells)

(a) Typical plant and animal cells

- (1) Cell membrane or plasma membrane
- (2) Cytoplasm (component parts)
- (3) Nucleus (component parts)
- (4) Cell wall (plant cell only)

(b) Microscopic study of cells

- (1) Onion skin cells
- (2) Elodea cells
- (3) Epithelial cells from inside of cheeks
- (4) Blood cells (a blood smear)

(c) Protoplasm

- (1) Composition of protoplasm (organic and inorganic compounds)
- (2) Physical appearance of protoplasm

(d) Comparison of a plant and animal cell

- (1) Similarities pointed out

(2) Differences pointed out

(e) The cell theory

(1) Robert Hooke

(4) Matthias Schleiden

(2) Anton van Leeuwenhoek

(5) Theodore Schwann

(3) Robert Brown

(6) Hugo van Mohl

(f) Specialization of cells in organisms

(1) Tissue - a group of cells similar in structure and function

(2) Organ - a group of tissues with similar functions

(3) System - a group of organs working together to carry out a specific function

3. Basic Functions of Living Things (cells)

(a) The work of cells

(1) The synthesis of large molecules

a) Polymerization - linking two similar molecules by the splitting off of water molecules

(2) The breakdown of large molecules

a) Hydrolysis - breaking down large molecules by the addition of water molecules

(3) The work of the nucleus

a) Chromosomes and nucleic acids (DNA)

(4) Release of energy in the cell

a) Adenosine triphosphate - ATP

b) Adenosine diphosphate - ADP

c) ATP - ADP cycle

C. Life Depends on the Nonliving World

1. Some chemical and physical processes of life

(a) Chemical substances

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|---------------|--------------------------|
| (1) Elements | (4) Organic substances |
| (2) Compounds | (5) Inorganic substances |
| (3) Mixture | (6) Atoms and molecules |

(b) Oxidation

- (1) What is oxidation?. (stress.chemical change)
- (2) Differences in slow and rapid oxidation
- (3) The two compounds produced when organic compounds are oxidized - H_2O and CO_2
- (4) Heat is produced by the chemical change.
- (5) Light is produced during rapid oxidation.
- (6) Oxygen is necessary for oxidation.
- (7) Oxidation occurs within the cells

(c) Osmosis and diffusion

- (1) Demonstration of osmosis through an animal membrane or cellophane
- (2) Demonstration of osmosis (diffusion) with thin slices of white potatoes in tap water and in salt water
- (3) Stress the difference in imbibition and diffusion

2. The raw material of life

(a) Repeated use of same materials

- (1) Carbon dioxide - oxygen cycle
- (2) Nitrogen cycle
- (3) The balanced aquarium

(b) The ultimate source of energy for life

- (1) Green plants capture the sun's energy
- (2) Non-green plants and animals receive the sun's energy from the green plants

3. Adaptations of living things

(a) Essentials for life in the environment

- (1) Food
 - (2) Oxygen
 - (3) Water
 - (4) Sunlight
- (b) Kinds of environments
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|----------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| (1) Ocean | (4) Desert |
| (2) Fresh water | (5) Polar regions |
| (3) Woods or forests | (6) Temperate, frigid, and
Torrid Zones |
- (c) Obtaining the essentials from the environment
- (1) Obtaining food - stress hibernation; estivation; migration
 - (2) Obtaining water - stress the need of water
 - (3) Obtaining oxygen - stress the need of oxygen
 - (4) Maintaining proper temperature. - stress warm-blooded and
cold-blooded animals
 - (5) Maintaining proper pressure
- (d) Protective adaptations - (a few examples)
- (1) Rose plant - thorns
 - (2) Rabbit - powerful hindlegs
 - (3) Turtle - shell
 - (4) Mimicry - monarch and viceroy butterfly
 - (5) Protective coloration may be mentioned
- (e) Relationships among organisms
- (1) Plants and animals that feed upon living organisms -
parasites
 - (2) Plants and animals that feed upon dead organisms -
saprophytes
 - (3) Dissimilar organisms that live together
 - a) Symbiosis - example; lichens
 - b) Commensalism - example; remora and shark
- (f) The balance of life

- (1) Population of species limited by their food supply
- (2) Population of species limited by their enemies
- (3) Man upsets the balance of life in some localities

PART II: Diversity

The diversity among living things is more obvious in many ways than the fundamental unity in life. Diversity is outstanding because one can easily observe the various modifications taken on by different types of living things.

A. The Variety of Life

1. The classification system of living things

- (a) Plants and animals grouped on the basis of similarities in structure
- (b) Main heading of the classification system
 - (1) Kingdom
 - (2) Phylum
 - (3) Class
 - (4) Order
 - (5) Family
 - (6) Genus
 - (7) Species
- (c) Scientific name of plant or animal; the genus name plus species name
- (d) Stress Carolus Linnaeus
- (e) Introduce the word "taxonomy"

2. Kinds of plants

- (a) The simplest plants
 - (1) Bacteria - smallest plants
 - (2) Fungi - plants without chlorophyll
 - (3) Algae - simple green plants
 - (4) Lichens - alga and fungus plant (symbiosis)
- (b) More complex plants

- (1) Mosses and liverworts
 - (2) Ferns and horsetails
 - (3) Seed-producing plants
 - a) Gymnosperms - conifers
 - b) Angiosperms - flowering plants
 - 1) Monocotyledons - example; corn
 - 2) Dicotyledons - example; bean
3. The Invertebrates - animals without a backbone
- (a) Protozoa - one-celled animals
 - (1) Ameba (close look)
 - (2) Paramecium (close look)
 - (b) Sponges - simple many-celled animals
 - (c) Coelenterates - hollow-bodied animals
 - (1) Hydra (close look)
 - (d) Simple worms
 - (1) Planaria (close look)
 - (2) Parasitic flatworms
 - a) Tapeworm (close look)
 - b) Liverfluke (close look)
 - (3) Parasitic roundworms
 - a) Hookworm (close look)
 - b) Trichina worm (close look)
 - (e) Segmented worms - earthworm
 - (f) Mollusks - soft-bodied animals
 - (g) Echinoderms - spiny-skinned animals
 - (h) Arthropods - animals with jointed legs
 - (1) Crustaceans - crayfish (close look)
 - (2) Arachnids
 - a) Spiders

- b) Scorpion
- (3) Myriopods
 - a) Centipedes
 - b) Millipede
- (4) Insects (close look)
 - a) Insect orders
 - b) Stages in development of insects
 - c) Insect pests
 - d) Useful insects
 - e) Social insects

4. The Vertebrates - animals with backbones

(a) Fishes

- (1) Aquatic vertebrates
- (2) Breathe with gills
- (3) Cold-blooded vertebrates

(b) Amphibians

- (1) Vertebrates that live in water and on land
- (2) Breathe with gills - tadpole stage
- (3) Breathe with lungs and through moist skin - adult stage
- (4) A close look at the frog

(c) Reptiles

- (1) The first true land vertebrates
- (2) Dry, scaly skin
- (3) Identifying poisonous snakes
- * (4) Cold-blooded vertebrates

(d) Aves (birds)

- (1) Vertebrates with feathers
- (2) Warm-blooded vertebrates
- (3) Vertebrates with wings

(e) Mammals

- (1) Vertebrates with hair covering body
- (2) Vertebrates that bear live offsprings
- (3) Vertebrates that feed their young with "milk" produced by mammary glands
- (4) Some important groups (orders) of mammals
 - a) Monotremes - duckbill
 - b) Marsupialo - kangaroo
 - c) Insectivores - anteater
 - d) Ungulate - hoofed mammals
 - e) Chiroptera - bat
 - f) Cetacea - whale
 - g) Carnivores - cat, dog
 - h) Rodents - rat, squirrel
 - i) Primate - monkey
- (5) The classification of man. (sample classification)
 - a) Kingdom - Animal
 - b) Phylum - Chordata
 - c) Subphylum - Vertebrata
 - d) Class - Mammalia
 - e) Order - Primate
 - f) Family - Hominidae
 - g) Genus - Homo
 - h) Species - Sapiens
 - i) Variety - Caucasian; Negro; Mongolian; Australoid

B. The Green Plant Makes Food

1. Roots and Stems

(a) The root

- (1) Growth and development

- (2) Structure
- (3) Functions
- (4) Types of roots
 - a) Tap root
 - b) Fibrous root
 - c) Brace root
 - d) Fleshy root
- (5) Responses in growing roots
 - a) Geotropism (positive)
 - b) Hydrotropism (positive)
- (6) Uses of roots by man
 - a) Conservation of topsoil
 - b) Food; drugs; spices; dyes

(b) Stems

- (1) Structure
 - a) Monocots
 - b) Herbaceous dicots
 - c) Woody dicots
- (2) Functions
- (3) Modified stems
 - a) Runners
 - b) Tuber
 - c) Tendril
 - d) Bulb
 - e) Corm

2. The Leaf and its Functions

- (a) External appearance and structure
 - (1) Parts of a leaf
 - (2) Arrangement of leaf on the stem
 - a) Alternate
 - b) Opposite

- c) Whorl
- d) Spiral
- e) Rosette
- (3) Classification of leaves
 - a) Simple leaf
 - b) Compound leaf; Pinnate or Palmate
 - c) Types of venation; netted or parallel
- (b) Internal structures and their functions
 - (1) Epidermis
 - (2) Stomates
 - (3) Palisade cells
 - (4) Spongy cells
 - (5) Chloroplasts
 - (6) Veins
 - (7) Guard cells
- (c) Photosynthesis
 - (1) Raw materials
 - a) Carbon dioxide
 - b) Water
 - (2) End products
 - a) Glucose
 - b) Oxygen (by-product)
 - (3) Importance of light
 - (4) Importance of chlorophyll
 - (5) The gas taken in during photosynthesis
 - (6) The gas given off during photosynthesis
- (d) Transpiration
 - (1) What is transpiration?
 - (2) The regulation of transpiration by guard cells

- (3) Transpiration and the pull of water up through a plant
- (4) Transpiration and wilting in plants
- (5) How desert plants are protected against wilting.

PART III: Life Science Applied to the Human Body

The human being carries on the same fundamental functions as other living things. This phase of the work acquaints the child with the general structure of the body and how the life functions are carried on. The pupil becomes acquainted with the various defenses the body has against diseases and ways in which man prevents and conquers diseases. The effects of alcohol, narcotics, and tobacco on the body are stressed. Man in space is also emphasized.

A. Food for the Human Body

1. The nutrients

- (a) Carbohydrates - food for energy
- (b) Fats - food for energy
- (c) Proteins - food for growth and repair of tissues
- (d) Other necessary substances in food
 - (1) Minerals
 - (2) Vitamins
 - (3) Water
- (e) Test for the nutrients
 - (1) Carbohydrate - iodine
 - (2) Fruit sugar - Fehling's solution
 - (3) Fats - Rub on unglazed paper
 - (4) Proteins - nitric acid

2. The human diet

- (a) The meaning of a "balanced diet"
- (b) The number of calories needed

- (c) Proteins, minerals, and vitamins needed
- (d) Planning and checking your diet
- (e) Buying food wisely

B. The Human Body in Operation

1. The body as a whole

- (a) The architectural plan of the body
 - (1) Backbone
 - (2) Similar right and left side (bilateral symmetry)
 - (3) Body cavities; cranial, spinal, thoracic, and abdominal cavity

- (b) The four kinds of tissues

- (1) Epithelial
- (2) Muscle
- (3) Nerve
- (4) Connective; bone, blood, fat

- (c) The systems of the body

- | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| (1) Skeletal | (6) Digestive |
| (2) Muscular | (7) Endocrine |
| (3) Respiratory | (8) Reproductive |
| (4) Circulatory | (9) Integumentary |
| (5) Excretory | (10) Urinary |

2. The skeleton and muscles

- (a) The functions of the skeleton
- (b) Structure of a bone
- (c) Kinds of joints in the body
- (d) Tissue that connects a bone to a bone - ligament
- (e) Major bones of the body
- (f) The functions of the muscles
- (g) Three kinds of muscular tissue

- (1) Skeletal or striated
 - (2) Smooth or nonstriated
 - (3) Heart or cardiac
 - (h) Two main kinds of muscles
 - (1) Voluntary - muscles controlled by will
 - (2) Involuntary - muscles not controlled by will
 - (i) How skeletal muscles move a joint
 - (1) Flexor muscles
 - (2) Extensor muscles
 - (j) Tissue that connects muscles to bones - tendon
3. Preparing food for the cells
- (a) Specialized structures for food taking
 - (1) Ameba - pseudopods
 - (2) Hydra - tentacles
 - (3) Earthworm - takes food in with soil
 - (4) Moth - sucking mouth parts
 - (5) Frog - long tongue
 - (6) Others
 - (b) Human teeth
 - (c) Nature of digestion
 - (1) Digestive juices and enzymes
 - (2) Types of digestive systems
 - a) Ameba - food vacuole
 - b) Herbivorous mammal - two "stomachs"
 - (d) Human digestive system
 - (1) Organs of digestive tract
 - (2) Auxiliary organs of secretion
 - (3) Stages in digestion
 - a) Mouth b) Stomach c) Small intestine

4. Servicing the cells

(a) Parts of the circulatory system

- (1) Heart
- (2) Blood vessels
 - a) Arteries
 - b) Veins
 - c) Capillaries

(b) Functions of circulation

- (1) To carry food and oxygen to the cells
- (2) To remove nitrogenous wastes and CO_2 from the cells

(c) Human circulatory system

- (1) Structure and function of the heart
- (2) Structure and function of blood vessels
- (3) Components of blood
 - a) Plasma
 - b) Red blood cells
 - c) White blood cells
 - d) Platelets
- (4) Blood paths through the human body
- (5) The lymphatic system
- (6) Blood transfusions and blood types

(d) Respiration

- (1) Respiratory system in man
- (2) Mechanics of breathing
- (3) Exchange of gases in the lungs
- (4) Exchange of gases between the cells and the blood

5. Excretion in man
 - (a) The human kidneys
 - (b) Structure of the skin
 - (c) Other organs of excretion
 - (1) Lungs
 - (2) Liver
 - (3) Large intestine

C. The Body Under Control

1. How organisms respond
 - (a) Response in plants and unicellular animals
 - (b) Nervous systems in more complex animals
2. The human nervous system
 - (a) The neuron
 - (b) Parts of the brain
 - (c) The spinal cord
3. Divisions of the nervous system
 - (a) Central nervous system
 - (b) Peripheral nervous system
 - (c) Autonomic nervous system
4. Sense organs
 - (a) The eye (a close look)
 - (b) The ear (a close look)
 - (c) Other sensations
 - (1) Taste (tongue)
 - (2) Smell (nose)
 - (3) Touch (skin)
 - (4) Hunger and thirst
 - (5) Temperature; pressure; pain
5. The human nervous system at work

- (a) Reflex actions
- (b) Conditioned reflexes and habits
- (c) Memory and learning
- (d) Intelligence
- (e) Emotions

6. Chemical influences on the body

- (a) The nature of ductless glands
- (b) Major ductless glands
 - (1) Name of the hormone secreted by each gland
 - (2) The influence each hormone has on the body
- (c) Stimulants and depressants
 - (1) Caffeine
 - (2) Tobacco
 - (3) Alcohol
 - (4) Narcotics

D. Toward Freedom from Disease

1. The nature of communicable diseases

- (a) Pathogenic microorganisms
- (b) Controlling disease organisms in the environment
 - (1) Transmission of disease organisms
 - (2) Reducing the spread of microorganisms
 - a) Use of antiseptic
 - b) Use of disinfectant
 - (3) Food preservation
 - (4) Public health measures

2. Body defenses against agents of diseases

- (a) Direct defenses
 - (1) Skin
 - (2) Respiratory passages
 - (3) Stomach (hydrochloric acid)
 - (4) White blood cells
 - (5) Antibodies

- (b) Immunity
 - (1) Natural immunity
 - (2) Acquired immunity
 - (3) Active and passive immunity

- (c) Drugs and antibiotics
 - (1) Penicillin
 - (2) Streptomycin
 - (3) Aureomycin
 - (4) Sulfa drugs
 - (5) Others

3. Some diseases caused by microorganisms and worms

- (a) Diphtheria, typhoid, tuberculosis - bacteria
- (b) Rocky Mountain spotted fever - rickettsiae
- (c) Malaria - protozoan
- (d) Trichinosis - trichinae
- (e) Hookworm disease - hookworms
- (f) Tapeworm disease - tapeworm

4. Virus diseases (common ones)

- (a) Smallpox
- (b) Chickenpox
- (c) Common cold
- (d) Poliomyelitis
- (e) Mumps
- (f) Measles
- (g) Hepatitis

5. Noncommunicable diseases and aging

- (a) Heart disease
- (b) Cancer
- (c) Increasing life expectancy

E. Man in Space

1. A capsule environment

- (a) Major problems of a capsule environment

- (1) Supply of oxygen
 - (2) Possible sources of water
 - (3) Disposal of solid waste material
 - (4) Maintaining a comfortable relative humidity and temperature
 - (5) Overcoming various stresses on the body
 - (b) Solving the problems of a capsule environment
 - (1) The growth of algae
 - (2) Converting urine and perspiration into pure water
 - (3) Converting solid waste into nitrogenous compounds
 - (4) Training within an altitude chamber
2. Environment outside the capsule
- (a) Hazards of radiation
 - (b) The Van Allen belts (earth's magnetic field)

PART IV: Continuity

Living organisms die, but life continues in their offspring. Reproduction is a life function which serves the species, rather than the individual plant or animal. The resemblance existing between the parents and their offspring, as well as the differences, are explained to a degree in this phase of life science.

A. Methods of Reproduction

1. Reproduction in simple plants

- (a) Asexual methods
 - (1) Fission
 - (2) Budding

- (3) Spore formation
- (b) Sexual reproduction
 - (1) Conjugation
 - (2) Male and female gametes (sex cells)
 - (3) Alternation of generation
- 2. Reproduction in flowering plants
 - (a) Methods of pollination
 - (b) Fertilization
 - (c) Development of seeds
 - (d) Structure and functions of a flower
 - (e) Vegetative propagation
 - (1) Bulbs - natural method
 - (2) Rhizomes - natural method
 - (3) Runners - natural method
 - (4) Tubers - natural method
 - (5) Cutting - use by man
 - (6) Grafting - use by man
 - (7) Budding - use by man
- 3. Reproduction in lower animals
 - (a) Fission
 - (b) Regeneration
 - (c) Conjugation
- 4. Reproduction in vertebrates
 - (a) Reproductive organs of the frog
 - (b) Development of the fertilized egg
 - 1) Early stages in development
 - 2) Development of tissues and organs
 - (c) Protection of young animals (parental care)

B. The Story of Heredity

1. The carriers of heredity
 - (a) Chromosomes
 - (b) Genes
 - (c) DNA molecule
2. The importance of genes in heredity
 - (a) Number of chromosomes in body cells
 - (b) Number of chromosomes in matured sex cells
 - (c) Fertilization - original number of chromosomes restored to zygote
3. Interesting sidelights on heredity
 - (a) The case history of European royal family
 - (1) Hapsburg family
 - (2) Queen Victoria's descendants - hemophilia
 - (3) The Bach family - talented musicians
 - (b) Distinguishing physical characteristics
4. Factors that determine sex of new offspring
5. How man uses his knowledge of genetics
 - (a) Improvement of plants for commercial purposes
 - (b) Improvement of animals for commercial purposes
6. The importance of environment in determining what kind of person one will be
 - (a) Basic needs - food, shelter, clothing
 - (b) Educational needs
 - (c) Cultural and social needs

PART V: Conservation of Our Natural Resources

Conservation of natural resources touches on wastage of all resources. This phase of life science stresses the importance of practicing wise use of our resources.

A. Preserving Our Natural Wealth

1. The balance of life
 - (a) Food chains
 - (b) Natural controls on population
 - (c) How man upsets the natural balances
2. Conservation of renewable resources
 - (a) Conservation of water
 - (1) Controlling runoff
 - (2) Flood control
 - (b) Conservation of soil
 - (1) Nature and origin of soil
 - (2) Soil erosion
 - (3) Soil depletion
 - (c) Conservation of forests
 - (1) Value of forests
 - (2) Lumbering and reforestation
 - (3) Threats to our forests
 - a) Fire
 - b) Disease
 - c) Insects
 - d) Animals
3. Conservation of wildlife
 - (a) Birds
 - (1) Value of birds
 - (2) Protection of birds
 - (3) Identifying common birds
 - (b) Other wildlife
 - (1) Fish and seafood
 - (2) Game and fur-bearing animals

(3) Wildflowers

4. Natural enemies of man

(a) Harmful insects

(1) Identification

(2) Harm done

(3) Control

(b) Weeds and poisonous plants

(1) Identification

(2) Harm done

(3) Control

B. An introduction to ecology

1. Plant and animal communities

2. Succession

3. Climax communities

PART VI: Concepts in Life Science

- A. All living things are dependent on one another and on their environment.
- B. Plants and animals are adapted to different environments.
- C. Plants and animals within a given environment are interdependent.
- D. Interdependent living things are joined in a community.
- E. In any living community, there are food chains typical of that community.
- F. The green plants of the oceans capture light energy and use it to make food.

- G. Environmental conditions on land vary to a greater degree than they do in water.
- H. The types and numbers of living things vary with the environmental conditions.
- I. On land, as in water, living things have developed that are adapted to the environmental conditions of a particular region.
- J. Green plants must have light, water, and warmth to live and manufacture food.
- K. Where living things are concerned, neither matter nor energy is created or destroyed. The totality of matter and energy is conserved.
- L. The cell is the unit of structure and function of all living things.
- M. Tissues are adapted by structure of their cells to carry on particular functions.
- N. Single-celled organisms have all the structures (organelles) to carry on all of their functions.
- O. Cells that are part of an organism have special adaptations for special functions.
- P. Plants are adapted to survival on land by means of root and shoot systems.
- Q. Green plants are adapted by structure for the manufacture of sugar.
- R. Plants organisms are adapted for absorption of water and minerals.
- S. The cell's chemical activity is based on the action of enzymes.
- T. The cell's activity in building up compounds is based on two general chemical processes: polymerization, hydrolysis

- U. A process of yielding energy (the cell's energy process) is essential to all the cell's activities.
- V. To maintain their functions, the cells in an organism require a balanced intake of matter and energy.
- W. Cells secrete substances that coordinate body activities.
- X. Through the function of its cell membrane, the cell regulates intake and exit of substances.
- Y. The basic source of energy for life processes is light energy.
- Z. Woody plants are specially adapted for absorption of water and minerals.
- AA. The photosynthetic process is basic to the metabolic processes in all living things.
- BB. Organisms can be grouped (classified) on the basis of characteristics held in common.
- CC. All organisms must be able to fulfill certain basic needs or they fail to survive.
- DD. In classifying organisms, the greater the similarity within a given group, the more limited and precise is the grouping.
- EE. The most successful groups of organisms are adapted to a variety of environments.
- FF. As organisms ascend in complexity, their young need increasing care.
- GG. Chromosomes carry hereditary traits.
- HH. When gametes are formed, the two members of each pair of chromosomes separate into different gametes.
- II. The code of heredity is found in deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA).

- JJ. An organism is the product of its heredity and environment.
- KK. There is a biological relationship among all organisms. The DNA molecule is very similar in structure no matter what the organism.
- LL. Plant and animal populations tend to remain in balance unless there is a change in the interaction of species and environmental factor within the ecological community.

ACTIVITIES

- I. Reading
 - A. Textbook
 - B. Supplementary books
 - C. Magazines
 - D. Current scientific literature
- II. Discussion (formal and informal)
 - A. Class
 - B. Panel
 - C. Group
- III. Display
 - A. Collection
 - B. Poster
 - C. Bulletin board
 - D. Models
 - E. Aquarium
 - F. Terrarium
- IV. Experiments and demonstrations
- V. Conferences
 - A. Interviewing others
 - B. Committee work
- VI. Research
- VII. Listening
 - A. Tape
 - B. Records
 - C. Radio
 - D. TV
 - E. Speakers

VIII. Visual Aids

- A. Films and filmstrips
- B. Pictures (taken from source materials)
- C. Models
- D. Transparencies
- E. Microscopic study

IX. Other Related Activities

- A. Science fairs
- B. Assembly programs
- C. Field trips
- D. Trip to museums

MATERIALS (Suggested)

I. List of Equipment (class of 30 students)

A. Charts

1. General Life Science - 1
2. Physiology and Anatomy - 1

B. Optical Instruments

1. Microscopes - 8
2. Microprojector - 1
3. Magnifiers - 30

C. Aquaria and Terraria supplies

1. Aquarium tank, 10 gallon - 1
2. Terrarium tank or large jar - 1
3. Aerator - 1
4. Thermostat - 1

D. Prepared Slides

E. Clear Slides, 1/2 gross

F. Cover slip, plastic, 1 gross

G. Holders (clamps) test tube, 15

H. Racks, test tube, 15

I. Ring stand, ring and burette clamp, 15

J. Glassware

1. Beakers, 250 ml., 15
2. Beakers, 500 ml., 10
3. Bottle, milk, qt., 10
4. Bottle, milk, pt., 10
5. Bottle, plastic collecting, 15
6. Bottle, small, stoppered, 30
7. Cylinder, graduated, 10 ml., 8

8. Cylinder, graduated, 100 ml., 10
 9. Flasks, Erlenmeyer, 250 ml., 10
 10. Test tubes, 18 mm x 150 mm, 60
 11. Pipette or medicine droppers, 15
 12. Jar, battery, 10
 13. Jar, glass, 1 gallon, 10
 14. Jar, small (baby food), 100
 15. Petri dish, 30
 16. Mortar and pestle, 10
 17. Stirring rods, glass, 10
 18. Glass tube
- K. Bunsen or propane burner, 10
- L. Corks, assorted sizes 1-11, 1 gross
- M. Thermometers, -20°C to 110°C, 10
- N. Balance, 1
- O. Models
1. Human torso
 2. Heart
 3. Eye
 4. Ear
- P. Dissecting kits - 10
- Q. Supplementary books, pamphlets, etc.

II. List of Expendables (class of 30 students)

- A. Chemicals (suggested)
1. Acetone, 1/2 pt.
 2. Agar, 5 lbs.
 3. Ammonium nitrate, 4 oz.
 4. Ascorbic acid solution, 1 oz.
 5. Benedict's solution, 4 oz.
 6. Congo red solution, 2 oz.

7. Ethyl alcohol, 95%, 1 qt.
8. Formaldehyde
9. Iodine solution 1% (tincture), 4 oz.
10. Lugol's solution, 1/4 pt.
11. Methylene blue, powder, 2 oz.
12. Litmus paper, red and blue, 1 bottle
13. Filter paper, 1 box
14. Gibberellic acid
15. Sodium hydroxide, pellets, 1 oz.
16. Inophenol solution, 16 oz.
17. Sodium hydroxide, pellets, 1 oz.
18. Water, distilled, 2 gallons

B. Plant and animal materials

1. Algae, chlorella
2. Ants, living, 60
3. Crayfish, preserved, 30
4. Earthworms, dead, 15
5. Earthworms, living, 15
6. Euglena, 1 culture
7. Flatworms, planaria, 50
8. Frog, 14
9. Hydra, living, 15
10. Paramecium and ameba
11. Plant, coleus, 13
12. Plant, elodea, 2
13. Plant, geranium, 6
14. Seedlings, bean, 50
15. Seedlings, corn, 50
16. Seeds, pea, 2 packages

17. Seeds, radish, 2 packages
18. Water fleas (daphnia)
19. Yeast, dry, 1 lb.

C. Readily available materials

1. Aluminum foil, 1 roll
2. Apple juice, 1/2 pt.
3. Bread, 2 loaves
4. Cardboard
5. Carton, milk
6. Celery stalks, with leaves
7. Cellophane: red, blue, yellow, orange, 3 sq. feet
each color
8. Cloth, black
9. Cotton, 2 lbs.
10. Crackers, soda
11. Cup, paper, 8 oz., 100
12. Glue, general purpose
13. Ice, cubes
14. Ink, blue, washable, 1 bottle
15. Ink, red, washable, 1 bottle
16. Leaves, green, 2 in., 30
17. Lemon juice, 1/2 pt.
18. Liver, uncooked, 1/2 lb.
19. Matches, 1 box
20. Needles, sewing, 10
21. Orange juice, fresh, 1/2 pt.
22. Paper clips, 1 box
23. Paper towels
24. Paper, wax
25. Paper, filter, 1 box

26. Potatoes, white, 4
27. Salt, 1 box
28. Sand, fine, 1 lb.
29. Soil
30. Straws, soda, 1 box
31. String, 1 ball
32. Tape, cellophane, 1 roll
33. Tape, masking, 50 ft. roll
34. Toothpicks or tongue depressor, 1 box
35. Water, pond
36. Water, tap
37. Alarm clock, 1
38. Flashlights, 3
39. Flower pots, 4" x 4", 30
40. Hot plates, 2
41. Meter sticks, 10
42. Scissors, 10
43. Razor blades, 10
44. Tablespoon, 10
45. Teaspoon, 10
46. Thumbtacks, 1 box
47. Pan, shallow
48. Pins, straight, 1 box

EVALUATION

(Methods used in Accomplishing Objectives)

- I. Guiding pupil through a series of clear-cut learning experiences such as:
 - A. Encouraging critical thinking
 - B. Encouraging and stressing the use of controls in experiments
 - C. Encouraging the use of the library
- II. Developing skills, such as:
 - A. Teaching the pupil how to read and discover the main idea or concept
 - B. Teaching the pupil how to use the textbook and references
 - C. Teaching the pupil how to observe
 - D. Training the pupil for class discussion
- III. Using audio-visual aids
- IV. Encouraging pupils to work on a science project of interest to them
- V. Testing and observing pupils to discover real evidences of learning

VOCABULARY

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. abdomen | 55. cartilage | 109. environment |
| 2. absorption | 56. catabolism | 110. enzyme |
| 3. acromegaly | 57. caucasoid | 111. epidemic |
| 4. adaptation | 58. cell | 112. epidermis |
| 5. adrenal | 59. cellulose | 113. epiglottis |
| 6. air sacs | 60. cerebellum | 114. epithelial |
| 7. albino | 61. cerebrum | 115. erosion |
| 8. algae | 62. chlorophyll | 116. esophagus |
| 9. alimentary canal | 63. chloroplast | 117. Eustachian tube |
| 10. allergy | 64. chordate | 118. excretion |
| 11. amino acid | 65. chromosome | 119. exoskeleton |
| 12. amphibian | 66. cilia | 120. extensor |
| 13. anabolism | 67. cold-blooded | 121. extinction |
| 14. anaerobic | 68. colloid | 122. fats |
| 15. anatomy | 69. conifers | 123. fauna |
| 16. anemia | 70. conservation | 124. feeble-minded |
| 17. angiosperm | 71. cornea | 125. fermentation |
| 18. anther | 72. coronary | 126. ferns |
| 19. anthropology | 73. corolla | 127. fertilization |
| 20. antibiotics | 74. corpuscle | 128. filament |
| 21. antibodies | 75. cotyledon | 129. flagellum |
| 22. antiseptic | 76. cretinism | 130. flexor |
| 23. appendages | 77. crustacean | 131. flora |
| 24. aorta | 78. cytoplasm | 132. food |
| 25. aquatic | 79. deciduous | 133. food chain |
| 26. artery | 80. deficiency | 134. fossil |
| 27. asexual reproduction | 81. dentrites | 135. fraternal twin |
| 28. assimilation | 82. denitrifying bacteria | 136. fruit |
| 29. auricle | 83. depressant | 137. function |
| 30. auxin | 84. deoxyribonuclei acid | 138. fungi |
| 31. axon | 85. dermis | 139. gamete |
| 32. bacillus | 86. diabetes | 140. ganglion |
| 33. bacteria | 87. diaphragm | 141. gastric juice |
| 34. bacteriology | 88. diatom | 142. gene |
| 35. behavior | 89. dicotyledon | 143. genetics |
| 36. beriberi | 90. diffusion | 144. genus |
| 37. biennial | 91. digestion | 145. geotropism |
| 38. bile | 92. dinosaur | 146. germ |
| 39. binary fission | 93. diploid number | 147. germ cell |
| 40. binome | 94. dominant | 148. germ layer |
| 41. biology | 95. donor | 149. germination |
| 42. botony | 96. dorsal | 150. gestation |
| 43. breed | 97. ductless glands | 151. gills |
| 44. bronchi | 98. ecology | 152. glands |
| 45. bronchial tubes | 99. ectoderm | 153. glucose |
| 46. calorie | 100. egg | 154. glycogen |
| 47. calyx | 101. electron microscope | 155. goiter |
| 48. cambium | 102. element | 156. grafting |
| 49. canine | 103. embryo | 157. guard cells |
| 50. capillaries | 104. emotions | 158. Gymnosperm |
| 51. carbohydrate | 105. emulsion | 159. habitat |
| 52. carbon | 106. endocrine glands | 160. haploid number |
| 53. carbon dioxide | 107. energy | 161. hemoglobin |
| 54. carnivores | 108. entomology | 162. hemophilia |

163. herbaceous
 164. herbivores
 165. heredity
 166. hibernation
 167. homeostasis
 168. hormone
 169. humus
 170. hybrid
 171. hydrogen
 172. hydrotropism
 173. hypertension
 174. hypha
 175. identical twin
 176. immunity
 177. impulse
 178. incisor
 179. incubation
 180. infectious
 181. inoculation
 182. insect
 183. instinct
 184. insulin
 185. invertebrate
 186. involuntary muscle
 187. iris
 188. irritability
 189. islands of Langerhans
 190. kingdom
 191. larva
 192. larynx
 193. legume
 194. lens
 195. lenticels
 196. lethal
 197. leucocyte
 198. leukemia
 199. lichen
 200. ligament
 201. lipase
 202. lymph
 203. maggot
 204. maltose
 205. mammal
 206. meiosis
 207. medulla oblongata
 208. meninges
 209. mesoderm
 210. metabolism
 211. metamorphosis
 212. microorganism
 213. microscope
 214. migration
 215. mimicry
 216. mitosis
 217. molar
 218. molecule
 219. mongoloid
 220. monocotyledon
 221. mosses
 222. mucous membrane
 223. muscle tissue
 224. mutant
 225. mutation
 226. narcotics
 227. nectar
 228. Negroid
 229. nerve
 230. neuron
 231. niacin
 232. nicotine
 233. nitrifying bacteria
 234. nitrogen
 235. nucleus
 236. nutrition
 237. nymph
 238. olfactory nerve
 239. optic nerve
 240. organ
 241. organic compound
 242. organic disease
 243. organism
 244. osmosis
 245. ovary
 246. ovule
 247. oxidation
 248. palisade cells
 249. pancreas
 250. parasite
 251. parenchyma cells
 252. parthenogenesis
 253. pasteurization
 254. pathogenic
 255. peat
 256. pedigree
 257. pellagra
 258. penicillin
 259. pepsin
 260. perennial
 261. peristalsis
 262. petal
 263. petiole
 264. phagocyte
 265. phloem
 266. photosynthesis
 267. phototropism
 268. phylum
 269. pigment
 270. pistil
 271. pith
 272. pituitary gland
 273. plankton
 274. plasma
 275. platelets
 276. pollination
 277. primate
 278. protein
 279. protoplasm
 280. protozoa
 281. pseudopod
 282. pupa
 283. quarantine
 284. race
 285. recessive
 286. reduction division
 287. reflex act
 288. regeneration
 289. rennin
 290. reproduction
 291. reptile
 292. respiration
 293. responses
 294. Rh factor
 295. riboflavin
 296. ribonuclei acid
 297. rickets
 298. rodents
 299. roat hair
 300. salivary glands
 301. saprophyte
 302. science
 303. scurry
 304. secondary sex characteristics
 305. secretion
 306. seed
 307. segment
 308. sepal
 309. serum
 310. sex cell
 311. sex chromosome
 312. sexual reproduction
 313. somatic cell
 314. species
 315. Spermatophytes
 316. spinal column
 317. spinal cord
 318. spiracle
 319. spontaneous generation
 320. stamen
 321. stigma
 322. stimulus
 323. stomata
 324. structure
 325. survival
 326. symbiosis
 327. synapse
 328. tadpole

329. taproot
330. tendon
331. tentacles
332. testis
333. thallophyte
334. thiamin
335. thorax
336. thyroid gland
337. tissue
338. toxin
339. trachea
340. transpiration
341. trichinosis
342. tropism
343. trypsin
344. tuber
345. vaccination
346. vaccine
347. vacuole
348. vascular system
349. vegetative propagation
350. vein
351. venereal disease
352. ventral
353. ventricles
354. vertebrate
355. virus
356. vitamins
357. voluntary muscle
358. warm-blooded
359. xylem
360. yolk
361. zoology
362. zygote

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