

Subject Overview For Grade 7/MYP 2

Grade 7 Science

Unit title and Duration	Key concept	Related concept(s)	Global context	Statement of inquiry	MYP subject group objectives	ATL skills	Knowledge, Skills and Content	Summative Assessment
Unit 1: What do Scientists do? 6 weeks	Relationships	Evidence Patterns	Identities and Relationships Identity formation	To be a Scientist Means to Gather Evidence About Similarity and Difference in Nature to Understand How Things Are related	B, C	Communication Organisational	Students will: Identify similarities and differences between a science laboratory and other MYP classrooms Suggest and follow laboratory safety rules Identify famous scientists Suggest the features of becoming a scientist Define and use the key concepts needed to investigate relationships in science: evidence, variables, hypothesis, research questions etc Outline the scientific method (MYP experimental cycle) Design an experiment based on a research question of their own choosing, prompted by classroom observations that will test the relationship between two variables Collect evidence Use patterns in the evidence to outline the relationship between	Gummy Bears lab Report Proposed idea: B - design an experiment to gather evidence that will test the relationship between two variables

							your dependent and independent variables	
Unit 2: What Changes? (Chemistry) 6 weeks	Change	Form, Transformation	Fairness and Development Imagining a hopeful future	The structure and function of a component is related to its role in a system.	A, D	Thinking: Critical thinking Social: Collaboration Communication: Self-management: organisation and affective Research: Information literacy	Students will: Identify and outline the 3 states of matter, namely solids, liquids and gases including inter-particle forces, particle arrangement and particle motion. State the properties of solids liquids and gases and outline how this relates to particles. Identify and describe changes of state including what happens to inter-particle forces, particle arrangement and particle motion. Outline what a mixture is. Outline what a solution is. Define key words associated with solutions: solvent, solute, dissolve, saturated, soluble and insoluble Describe different ways in which mixtures can be separated and carry out separations Differentiate between melting and dissolving. Design and make a water filter Investigate a factor affecting the effectiveness of water filters made in class, and analyse and evaluate the results State whether current global access to clean drinking water is fair or Discuss whether the lifestraw is a successful solution to the problem of widening the availability of clean drinking water.	Proposed Ideas: A: Knowledge test C: Analyse and evaluate the results of an investigation into a factor affecting the effectiveness of water filters made in class D: Analysing current technologies that are being developed to bring clean water to all parts of the world; with reference to fair and equal access to drinking water (Podcast)
Unit 3 How do living things work?	Relationships	Form Function	Scientific and technical innovation	By Understanding the relationship between the	A, B, C	Collaboration Communication: Making contact	Students will: Outline the structure of a cell, including the function of	Create a Blog Proposed Ideas:

(Biology) 6 weeks				necessities of life and the specialised forms and functions of living things, we can make decisions and take actions for healthier and more sustainable lifestyles			organelles View cells under a microscope and describe this process Compare plant cells and animal cells Outline the characteristics of living things (MRS GREN) Outline how the form of specialised cells is adapted to their function. State the relationship between cells, tissues, organs and systems Outline photosynthesis and why it is needed for life Outline respiration and why it is needed for life Apply their knowledge of the seven life processes to determine if a substance is alive or not.	A: Knowledge test C: Investigation into whether a substance is alive
Unit 4 What makes change happen (Physics) 6 weeks	Change	Energy	Globalisation and Sustainability urban planning, strategy and infrastructure	The complex chemicals that enable life to exist are formed from only a few different types of atom.	A, B, C, D	Communication: Organising and depicting information logically	Students will: Identify the different types of energy and give examples. Outline simple energy transfers and transformations and give examples. Investigate simple energy changes. Outline conduction, convection, radiation and insulation State how insulation is used to make sustainable homes Investigate how controlling the heat energy transfer through insulation can impact the sustainability of our buildings. Define fuels Define the terms renewable and nonrenewable Outline how energy is transferred from the sun to different renewable and nonrenewable energy sources (fossil fuels, wind,	Writing a Newspaper Article Proposed Ideas: B: planning an investigation into how controlling the heat energy transfer through insulation can impact the sustainability of our buildings. D: write up of a debate into which energy source would be best to supply phuket's electricity needs

							water, geothermal and biomass) Outline the energy transfers that occur when when we use the different energy sources ((fossil fuels, wind, water, geothermal, biomass and nuclear) Analyse efficiency using Sankey diagrams Outline advantages and disadvantages of different energy sources, include suitability for different areas Consider the meaning of the term 'sustainability' in relation to different UN sustainability goals (not just the context of environmentalism) Analyse and evaluate the best future energy source for Phuket	
Unit 5: How can we study the living world? 6 weeks	Systems	Balance Interaction	Scientific and Technical Innovation (models)	Scientists have developed methods and tools to understand and maintain interactions that keep ecosystems in balance	A, B, D	Communication: Communicating numerical quantities	Students will: Define ecosystem, habitat, population, biodiversity, innovation, quadrat, transect, ecologist, mesocosm, species Outline different types of habitats/biomes and some adaptations of the plants and animals that live there Recall what plants and animals need to survive and different ways in which they compete for these resources Outline and investigate different methods for how we study and model the living world (including transects, quadrats, magpots) Use a scientific model (quadrat transect) to investigate how the distribution of grass changes as you move further from a tree and explain this in terms of the interactions between organisms in	Proposed Ideas: C: How does the distribution of grass change as you move further from a tree (lab report)?

							a system. Describe interactions between organisms in an ecosystem using food chains and food webs to model this Describe the interdependence of organisms in an ecosystem (and how changing number of predators or prey affects this balance), including use of an online modelling tool Interpret and use the scientific model of graphing to show interdependence in an ecosystem Analyse the case of the cats in Borneo by drawing a food web and population graph Evaluate this innovation (the use of cats in Borneo) Describe factors that make an ecosystem balanced Identify factors making an ecosystem unbalanced. Example: invasive species, eutrophication, acid rain, overfishing/hunting, flooding, presence of different pollutants Research and evaluate	
Unit 6: Where do we Fit into the World? 6 weeks	Relationships	Evidence, Movement	Orientation in time and space	The study of our solar system and the wider universe can lead to a better understanding of our own planet	A, B, C, D	Communication	Organise objects in the Solar System as planets, natural satellites, comets, asteroids Describe the main regions of the Earth system: geosphere (and lithosphere), hydrosphere (and Cryosphere), atmosphere, biosphere (androsphere) Identify and describe the main regions of the Earth's interior: inner core, outer core, mantle, crust	Video or Slide Presentation

			Evaluate geological and paleontological evidence for the formation and development of the Earth	
			Identify and describe the main regions of the atmosphere: Troposphere, Stratosphere, Mesosphere, Thermosphere, Exosphere	
			Identify and describe the main regions and forms of water in the hydrosphere: oceans, atmospheric vapour, ice, underground water, and groundwater	

Subject Overview For Grade 8/MYP 3

Grade 8 Science:

Unit title and Duration	Key concept	Related concept(s)	Global context	Statement of inquiry	MYP subject group objectives	ATL skills and LP	Content	Summative Assessment and MYP Criteria Assessed
Unit 1: What Should I Eat? (Diet and Health) 6 weeks	Development	Change Energy Transformation	Globalization and sustainability	We will need to change how we transform materials and energy to achieve sustainable production and equitable distribution of food in the 21st century.	A, D	Information Literacy: Present information in a variety of formats Media Literacy: Evaluating websites Communication: Interpreting discipline specific terms	Explain the meaning of the word Balanced Diet Describe what is a deficiency Disease Identify the constituents of a balanced diet and the functions of various nutrients. Understand the effects of nutritional deficiencies. Recognise the organs of the alimentary canal and know their functions Describe the role of enzymes in digestion Describe the journey of the food across the alimentary canal Identify the difference between mechanical and chemical digestion Describe the process of absorption	Criterion D: Poster/Booklet on Nutrients
Unit 2: How do we Map Matter ? (Elements, Compounds, Mixtures and	Change	Models, Patterns	Scientific and Technical Innovation	By Changing matter we can identify patterns in properties that help us to make models, and the models help us invent	A, B, C	Information Literacy Critical Thinking	Describe the main features of the periodic table Classify materials as elements, mixtures and molecules Identify the difference between homogenous and heterogenous	Periodic Table Oral Presentation Criterion B and C

the Periodic Table) 6 weeks				new kinds of material.			mixtures Identify metals and non metals in the periodic table	Reactive metals Investigation, Lab Report
Unit 3: Where are we Now and Where Might We Be Going? (Forces and Motion) 6 weeks	Relationship s	Movement, Models	Orientation in time and space	Through making models of the world we have understood how place and time relate to motion and we have made the world seem a small place	A, B, C	Critical Thinking Information Literacy	Outline how a coordinate system is used to specify location State that distance is measured in metres State that distance is measured in metres State that speed is measured in ms_1 State that force is measured in newtons Outline that matter is kept together by electrostatic attraction and kept apart by electrostatic repulsion Describe force systems in terms of force arrows to show size and direction of forces Explain that unbalanced forces cause motion or deformation	Criterion D An Essay to research a method for reduction of motor vehicle pollution The Invisible Cost of Mass Transportation
Unit 4: How does our Planet Work? (The Earth) 6 weeks	Systems	Models, patterns	Globalisation and sustainability	Modelling interactions between earth's systems allows us to understand patterns that we can use to secure or improve human experiences	A	Organisational Critical Thinking	The ecospheres: biosphere, hydrosphere, geosphere, and atmosphere natural systems that maintain life on Earth climate data to create a climatograph patterns in climate and weather around the world climate data from different cities unique properties of water that have an influence on climate and weather	Proposed Idea: Criterion A Take Action, Finding a New Home Project, Creating a 3D Model

Unit 5: How do our Bodies Work? (Body Systems, Respiration and Circulation)	Systems	Pattern, representation, quantity	Personal and Cultural Expressions	By understanding how our body systems function, people can learn to make decisions for balanced and healthy lifestyles.	A, C	Communication Critical Thinking	Explain the basic structures and functions of neurons Define neurotransmitters List a few common neurotransmitters Identify the characteristics of bones Explain the different types of bones	Proposed Idea: Criterion D Take Action How to Make Healthy Choices, P.P presentation
Unit 6: What Does a Wave Tell us? (Waves) 6 weeks	Systems	Movement and Energy	Scientific and Technical Innovation	Innovative systems harness wave energy and movement to create sounds and communication.	B, C	Communication: Using subject-specific terminology Thinking in context: What happens to the Earth when you jump up in the air? Creative thinking Research	General wave properties Describe a simple model to represent energy transfer through waves (transverse and longitudinal) Describe a wave using wavelength, frequency, amplitude, period, and speed Calculate wave speed, frequency, and wavelength using $v = f \times \lambda$, including interpreting graphs. Sound Describe how sound transfers energy as a wave of compressions created by objects vibrating Describe how sound intensity in dB relates to energy transfer Describe how pitch relates to the frequency of sound waves Describe how loudness relates to the amplitude of sound waves. Interpret representations of sound waves on an oscilloscope to explain and quantify loudness and pitch Explain how sound waves from musical instruments are caused by vibration and standing waves Explain how to adjust the pitch of a string instrument with reference to string density, wavelength, and tension Explain using ideas about sound waves, why different musical instruments sound different even when playing the same notes	Proposed Idea: Criteria B: Designing an investigation on musical instruments and the different wavelengths produced, An Experiment

	Build a musical instrument and describe how it functions. Phones Describe the electromagnetic spectrum Investigate and describe the concepts of reflection, refraction and diffraction (including ray diagrams) -Students will describe how mobile phone use EM waves to send and receive signals Describe factors that affect mobile phone signal (including 3/4G and wifi), including the concepts of
	wifi), including the concepts of diffraction and line of sight. Evaluate the impacts of smartphone use on mental well being.

Subject Overview For Grade 9/MYP 4

Grade 9 Combined Science:

Unit title and Duration	Key concept	Related concept(s)	Global context	Statement of inquiry	MYP subject group objectives	ATL skills and Learner Profile	Content	Summative Assessment and MYP Criteria Assessed
Unit 1: How Does Scale Matter? 6 weeks	Relationships	Patterns, Models	Orientation in Space and Time	Changing the scale of things allows us to make connections and build models that help us understand how the world is structured	A, B, C, D	LP Open Minded Communication Social Research Thinking	Magnification, Scale, Cell organization and structure, Atoms, Electron shell Diagrams, Comparison of Forces, Types of Forces	Criterion A: Written Test/ Chemistry Building a Cell Model to show what a Cell needs to sustain itself
Unit 2: How do we organize the natural world? (Characteristics of living things. pg. 63-67) 6 weeks	Relationship	Patterns, Form	Scientific and technical innovation	We develop our understanding of the natural world by discovering patterns and identifying relationships, organizing our knowledge in new ways.	A, B, C, D	Communication Collaboration Information Literacy Critical Thinking Creative Thinking Transfer Media Literacy	The structure of the atom The structure of the periodic table to the structure of the structure of elements Similarities between different elements in the same groups in the periodic table. How are characteristics of living things used to classify them? How have technological advances affected our models of the world? Classify animals and plants Classification and Binomial Nomenclature	Criterion A: Knowing and Understanding Written Task given
Unit 3: What Makes a Material World? 6 weeks	Change	Form, Models	Scientific and Technical Innovation	In our quest for a better life, we use existing models to change and shape matter into new forms	A, B, C, D	Critical Thinking Communication Transfer	Define Ionic Bond Explain what metals and nonmetals bond ionically Define anion and cation Draw dot and cross diagrams for simpler ionic compounds using	Are the Rings Pure Gold or Alloys of Gold? Write a Report Criterion D:Reflecting on the Impact of Science

							elements from Groups 1, 2 and 3 to 17 Define covalent bond Explain why non metals bond ionically Define molecule Define metallic bond Explain how a metallic bond is formed Outline how bonding can differ in elements and compounds	
Unit 4: How do we Obtain the Energy that we Need? 6 weeks	Change	Energy	Globalization and Sustainability	Nature provides the energy we need, and we should seek to use it by changing its form in ways that are sustainable.	A, B, C,D	Communication Critical Thinking Creative Thinking	Classify energy forms and types (potential and kinetic) State that the Joule is the unit of energy Explain energy change in terms of work done Define different types of chemical reaction and identify them Define the terms endothermic and exothermic Outline the importance of enzymes in metabolism Explain how enzymes work and their role in catalyzing chemical reaction Discuss how do enzymes in thermophilic organisms survive the high temperature Discuss, evaluate and compare which enzymes are needed by different cell types	Proposed Idea: Saving energy with biological laundry detergent Students will write a lab report investigating the lowest temperature in which their DIY biological detergents can work at.
Unit 5: How do we Make it Work 6 weeks	Change	Energy, Movement	Scientific and Technical Innovation	Machines have revolutionized life by making it easier to change from stored forms to movement and back again	A, B, C, D	Organizational Collaboration	Recall that energy is measured in joules	Proposed Idea: Comparing Energy Consumption Criterion D: An essay or report comparing energy

							Describe the use of energy as work in some machines Describe a range of observed processes such as combustion, temperature change, electricity generation and chemical reactions in terms of energy changes Classify phenomena in terms of the energy changes involved Classify kinds of energy as either potential or kinetic	consumption in different countries or Written Test Criterion A on Levers, Magnifiers, Moments calculations etc
Unit 6: How do we Put Magnetism and Electricity to Work 6 weeks	Relationships	Balance, Form Transformatio n	Orientation in space and time	Electrical and magnetic forces fill spaces as fields, understanding their form and relationships allows us to transform energy in useful ways	A,B,C,D	Information Literacy Creative Thinking	Classify observed forces in terms of electrical and magnetic interactions Outline the basic properties of magnetic fields: polarity, strength, variation Outline the interaction of the Earth's magnetic field with magnetic materials and charged particles State that negative electric charge is carried by electrons, positive electric charge is carried by protons Explain how a surplus or deficit of electrons leads to a static electric charge	Proposed Idea Criterion B: Investigating Conductors, Design an Investigation and formulate their own inquiry question

			Outline and compare the properties of electric and magnetic fields	
			Outline how moving electric charge produces an electric current	
			Describe how the flow of electrons is used to do work	
			State that electric current is measured in amperes.	

Subject Overview For Grade 10/MYP 5

Grade 10 Combined Science:

Unit title and Duration	Key concept	Related concept(s)	Global context	Statement of inquiry	MYP subject group objectives	ATL skills and Learner Profile	Content	Summative Assessment and MYP Criteria Assessed
Unit 1: How do Different Chemical processes work 6 weeks	Systems	Transformation; Energy	Scientific and technical innovation Exploration-Processes and solutions	The systems of life are supported by biochemical reactions and the transformations of energy that occur within cells. Innovations in science could lead to these reactions being utilised to meet growing energy and food needs	B: Planning and Designing C: Processing & Evaluating A: Knowing & Understanding D: Reflecting on the Impact of Science	LP: Balanced Thinking: Critical Thinking Use brainstorming and visual diagrams to generate new ideas and inquiries Research: Information Literacy Process data and report results	Define an Arrhenius acid in terms of hydrogen ions and Arrhenius base in terms of hydroxide ions Define a Brønsted–Lowry acid and Brønsted–Lowry base in terms of proton donors and acceptors State the difference between an alkali and base State examples of acids and bases (names and formulae) Describe how to test for acids and bases Explain the difference between strong and weak, dilute and concentrated acids and bases Predict the products of reactions of acids with metals and bases (metal oxide, metal carbonate and alkalis Describe the pH map of the Human Body, Explain how Homeostasis maintains balance in the human body Describe the chemical	Lab Report: Investigating the best Ph for Salivary Amylase Criterion D: Video Documentary: Use it But Don't Misuse it

							composition of different nutrients that get passed to the bloodstream after digestion Outline the serendipity nature of discovering chemical digestion in the stomach Outline different digestive enzymes, their locations in the digestive system, their roles, which foods they act on and the optimum pH they work at. Discuss the roles of all organs of the digestive system and how they work together in the process of digestion Outline an experiment that shows the effect of Ph on	
Unit 2: How do Machines Make Our Lives Better? 6 weeks	Systems	Movement, Function	Scientific and Technical Innovations	The way that nature uses systems of force for movement inspires mankind to create machines and extend our abilities	A: Knowing and Understanding D: Reflecting on the Impact of Science	LP: Thinkers Thinking: Creative Thinking Critical Thinking Research: Information Literacy Communication	Amylase Enzyme Activity Metabolism: Analyse the forces in simple machines: levers, gears Identify force-multiplying (types 1 and 2) and distance-multiplying (type 3) levers Apply understanding of levers to biological structures and ergonomic designs Recall that speed is displacement/time and is measured in m s ⁻¹ Explain the vector nature of velocity as displacement/time Recall that acceleration is change in velocity/time, where change in velocity	Criterion D: Can Robots replace Humans Essay on Replacing the Human Body

							results from change in speed and/or direction Solve problems using equations of linear motion Analyse linear and non-linear velocity—time graphs Recall the concept of inertia as resistance to a change in kinetic state in terms of Newton's law of motion Recall the different tissues in the body and which ones are responsible for movement Explain the parts of the human musculoskeletal system Describe the roles of different parts of joints Outline the muscles involved in muscle contraction Inquire about how arm muscle contract when the arm is at rest and when bent Explain how antagonistic muscles work in pairs to allow movement Describe how the length of muscles may or may not change when contracting	
Unit 3: Do you Feel Electric? 6 weeks	Systems	Interaction; Function	Personal and Cultural Expression	We are able to interact, communicate and survive because of natural and artificial systems of electrical current.	Criterion A Criterion B Criterion C Criterion D	LP: Risk Takers Thinking: Critical Thinking Communication Transfer	Recall that negative electric charge is carried by electrons, positive electric charge by protons Explain static electrical charge in terms of a surplus or deficit of electrons Describe how moving	Written test: Criterion A, Knowing and Understanding The end-of-chapter problems are based on the IQs which are driven by the SOI, such as how does the circuitry of the human body enable us to perform and

			electric charge produces a current, measured in amperes. Describe how electric current	compete in everyday challenges
			generates work when it passes through resistance	
			Describe how energy difference in a circuit is measured as potential difference (p.d.) in volts	
			Describe electric current flow and p.d. in series and parallel circuits	
			Classify materials as electrical conductors, semiconductors or insulators	
			Recall that electrical resistance is measured in ohms (Ω)	
			Apply Ohm's law $R = V/I$ to solve circuit problems	
			Define redox in terms of oxygen gain and loss	
			Define redox in terms of electron gain and loss	
			Formulate half-equations for redox reactions	
			Outline the processes of communication and coordination executed by the endocrine and nervous systems	
			Compare the nervous system to other known electrical communication systems	
			Explain the role of the nervous system and its interaction with sensory organs	
			Explain the different stages of a reflex arc, distinguish	

							between the different types of neurons involved	
Unit 4: How do we Pass on Our Inheritance? 6 weeks	Relations hips	Transformation	Identities and relationships	We are formed by what we inherit from our parents, transformed by our relationship with the environment	A, B, C and D	LP: Reflective Organisational Affective Reflective	Recall the difference in where DNA is stored between eukaryotes and prokaryotes Comment on the code in the genetic information Explain the structure of DNA and the importance of complementary base pairing Draw and label all parts of a nucleotide Discuss the link between the concepts of: genetics, cell division, reproduction and inheritance and reflect on this connection throughout the chapter State some examples of proteins to show how each protein is coded for by a gene	Criterion A: End-of-chapter summative problems and Extension problems. Problems based around the IQs of the chapter to assess understanding. These problems require students to apply their understanding to solve calculated and conceptual problems, and to make scientifically supported judgments.
Unit 5: What is our Place in the Universe? 6 weeks	Systems	Interactions	Orientation In Space and Time	We understand how we fit in the universe through interactions with systems on Earth and in space	A, B, C and D	LP: Caring Organisational Transfer	Classify extra-terrestrial bodies Summarise orders of magnitude and units of measurement for cosmology/astronomy (*cf. Chapter 2) Summarise the star cycle Describe methods for obtaining data in astronomy: telescopes (optical et al.), and spacecraft Describe the inverse squared relationship between force and distance for gravitational and electrical fields (* cf. Chapter 2)	Proposed Idea Criterion B: Inquiring and Designing Activity: Plan and Investigation and Produce a Lab Report Investigating rates of reaction

							Describe the relationship between distance and time in cosmological measurements Summarise evidence for the Big Bang theory Explain how our present day atmosphere was formed Describe experiments that can be used to deduce the percentage of oxygen in the atmosphere	
Unit 6: How do Humans Impact the Environment 6 weeks	Change	Environment, Consequences	Globalisation and Sustainability	In order to live a sustainable lives we need to learn from the consequences of our actions and change our relationship with the environment	A, B, C and D	LP: Principled Information Literacy Critical Thinking Communication Transfer	Outline the relationships between biotic and abiotic factor within ecosystems Explain the concept of feeding relationships between living organisms (food webs) Interpret and extract individual food chains within complex food Webs Apply scientific terminology to describe relationships between organisms Distinguish between different types of pyramids used in ecology Reflect on the impact of altering one member of the food chain on the other organisms Explain the concept of biodiversity and how if relates to the environment Discuss human impacts on the environment and our influences on natural biodiversity. Investigate changes in biodiversity in local areas	Proposed Idea Written Test: Criterion A: Knowledge and Understanding Criteria B and C Investigate the biodiversity in your area. Design an experiment investigating the biodiversity in one chosen local area and analyse and evaluate their results

appropriate data							with human impact effects Design an investigation following the Inquiry Cycle Apply ecological sampling methods to collect appropriate data	
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