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### **Standards Correlation Chart**

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Standards and Benchmarks	
Math	
Standard 2. Understands and applies basic and advanced properties of the concepts of numbers	
• Benchmark 5. Understands basic whole number relationships (e.g., 4 is less than 10)	11–13
Standard 3. Uses basic and advanced procedures while performing the processes of computation	
• Benchmark 1. Adds and subtracts whole numbers	8–10
• Benchmark 2. Solves real-world problems involving addition and subtraction	14–16
Language Arts	
Standard 1. Uses the general skills and strategies of the writing process	
• Benchmark 1. Prewriting: Uses prewriting strategies to plan written work (e.g., discusses ideas with peers, rehearses ideas, records reactions and observations)	44–47
• Benchmark 2. Drafting and Revising: Uses strategies to draft and revise written work (e.g., rereads; adds descriptive words and details)	44–47
• <b>Benchmark 3.</b> Editing and Publishing: Uses strategies to edit and publish written work (e.g., proofreads; edits for grammar, punctuation, capitalization, and spelling at a developmentally appropriate level; incorporates illustrations; uses available, appropriate technology to compose and publish work; shares finished product)	44–47
• Benchmark 4. Evaluates own and others' writing (e.g., asks questions and makes comments about writing)	44–47
• <b>Benchmark 5.</b> Uses strategies to organize written work (e.g., includes a beginning, middle, and ending)	40–47
• Benchmark 7. Writes in a variety of forms or genres	44–47
• Benchmark 8. Writes for different purposes (e.g., to entertain, inform, learn,	44–47
communicate ideas)	
Standard 2. Uses the stylistic and rhetorical aspects of writing	44 47
• Benchmark 1. Uses descriptive words to convey basic ideas  Standard 3. Uses grammatical and machanical conventions in written compositions	44–47
<ul> <li>Standard 3. Uses grammatical and mechanical conventions in written compositions</li> <li>Benchmark 1. Uses conventions of print in writing</li> </ul>	33–35
• Benchmark 1. Uses complete sentences in written compositions	44–47
Benchmark 2. Uses nouns in written compositions	33–35, 44–47
Benchmark 5. Uses verbs in written compositions	33–35, 44–47
Benchmark 6. Uses adjectives in written compositions	33–35, 44–47
• Benchmark 10. Uses conventions of punctuation in written compositions	33–35

# Standards Correlation Chart (cont.)

Standards and Benchmarks	Pages
Language Arts (cont.)	
Standard 5. Uses the general skills and strategies of the reading process	
• Benchmark 3. Creates mental images from pictures and print	25–28, 85–88
• Benchmark 4. Uses basic elements of structural analysis (e.g., syllables, spelling patterns) to decode unknown words	36–39, 93–96
• <b>Benchmark 5.</b> Uses basic elements of phonetic analysis (e.g., common letter/sound relationships, beginning and ending consonants, vowel sounds, blends, word patterns) to decode unknown words	21–24
<ul> <li>Benchmark 10. Reads aloud familiar stories, poems, and passages with fluency and expression (e.g., rhythm, flow, meter, tempo, pitch, tone, intonation)</li> <li>Standard 6. Uses reading skills and strategies to understand and interpret</li> </ul>	21–24
a variety of literary texts	
• <b>Benchmark 1.</b> Uses reading skills and strategies to understand a variety of literary passages and texts (e.g., fables, poems, folktales, myths, etc.)	17–20, 29–32
• Benchmark 2. Knows the basic characteristics of familiar genres (e.g., picture books, fairy tales, nursery rhymes)	21–24
• Benchmark 3. Knows setting, main characters, main events, sequence, and problems in stories	17–20, 25–32 40–43
• Benchmark 4. Knows the main ideas or theme of a story	53–64
Standard 7. Uses reading skills and strategies to understand and interpret a variety of informational texts	
• <b>Benchmark 2.</b> Understand the main idea and supporting details of simple expository information	53–64
• Benchmark 3. Summarizes information found in texts	77–80
Geography	
Standard 4. Understands the physical and human characteristics of place	
• <b>Benchmark 2.</b> Knows that places can be defined in terms of their predominant human and physical characteristics	77–80
Standard 5. Understands the concept of regions	
• Benchmark 1. Knows areas that can be classified as regions according to physical criteria (e.g., land form regions, soil regions, vegetation regions, climate regions, water basins) and human criteria	77–80
Standard 10. Understands the nature and complexity of Earth's cultural mosaics  • Benchmark 1. Knows the basic components of culture (e.g., language, social	65–68
organization, beliefs and customs, forms of shelter, economic activities)	
Standard 12. Understands the patterns of human settlement and their causes	(0.72
• Benchmark 1. Understands why people choose to settle in different places	69–72
• Benchmark 2. Knows the similarities and differences in housing and land use in urban and suburban areas	69–72
Standard 17: Understands how geography is used to interpret the past	72.76
• Benchmark 1: Knows how areas of a community have changed over time (e.g., changes in plant and animal population)	73–76

# **Standards Correlation Chart** (cont.)

Standards and Benchmarks	Pages
History	
Standard 1: Understands family life now and in the past, and family life in	
various places long ago	
• Benchmark 3. Knows the similarities and differences in clothes, homes, food,	48–51
communication, technology, and traditions between families now and in the past	
Standard 4. Understands how democratic values came to be, and how they	
<ul> <li>have been exemplified by people, events, and symbols</li> <li>Benchmark 1. Knows the English colonists who became revolutionary leaders</li> </ul>	53–56
and fought for independence from England (e.g., George Washington,	33-30
Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin)	
• Benchmark 7. Understand the reasons that Americans celebrate certain	21–24
national holidays	
• Benchmark 6. Understands the ways in which people in a variety of fields	61–64
have advanced the cause of human rights, equality, and the common good	
(e.g., Frederick Douglass, Clara Barton, Cesar Chavez)	
• Benchmark 8. Knows the history of American symbols (e.g., the eagle,	57–60
the Liberty Bell, the national flag)	
Science	
Standard 2. Understands Earth's composition and structure	
• Benchmark 1. Knows that Earth materials consist of solid rocks, soils, liquid	93–96
water, and the gases of the atmosphere	02.06
• Benchmark 2. Knows that rocks come in many different shapes and sizes	93–96
Standard 4. Understands the principles of heredity and related concepts  • Benchmark 1. Knows that plants and animals closely resemble their parents	85–88
Standard 5. Understands the structure and function of cells and organisms	03-00
• Benchmark 1. Knows the basic needs of plants and animals	81–88
• Benchmark 2. Knows that plants and animals have features that help them	81–84
live in different environments	
Standard 6. Understands relationships among organisms and their	
physical environment	
• Benchmark 1. Knows that plants and animals need certain resources for energy	81–88
and growth (e.g., food, water, light, air)	
• Benchmark 2. Knows that living things are found almost everywhere in the	81–84
world and that distinct environments support different types of plants and animals	
Standard 7. Understands biological evolution and the diversity of life	05.00
• <b>Benchmark 2.</b> Knows that there are similarities and differences in the appearance and behavior of plants and animals	85–88
Standard 10. Understands forces and motion	
• Benchmark 2. Knows that things near the Earth fall to the ground unless	89–92
something holds them up	
Standard 12. Understands the nature of scientific inquiry	
• Benchmark 1. Knows that learning can come from careful observations and	89–92
simple experiments	
Standard 13. Understands the scientific enterprise	
• Benchmark 1. Knows that in science it is helpful to work with a team and	73–76
share findings with others	

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#### Day I

- 1. Divide the board into three sections with a marker or chalk. Have your students close their eyes. Ask them to visualize in their minds without calling out answers. Say, "You are far, far away from a city. You are out in the country. You may have heard it called a rural area. There are not a lot of houses, but there are other things to see. What do you see?"
- 2. Have your students open their eyes and give you examples of things that they would see in the country. (*fields, cows, crops, barns, tractors, creeks, etc.*) Write "Rural Area" over the first section of the board and list their ideas beneath. Ask your students to come up with a definition for "rural area." (*having to do with the countryside or farming*)
- 3. Have your students close their eyes again. Ask them to make mental images without calling out answers to the questions you ask. Then say, "Have you ever been to a city? What did you see there? How was it different from the country?"
- 4. Have your students open their eyes and give you examples of things that they would see in the city. (buses, traffic, tall buildings, sidewalks, traffic lights, parking garages, etc.) List their ideas on the board under the heading "City." Ask your students to think of a definition of "city." (a very large or important town that has many people living and/or working there) Explain that a city is also called an urban area.
- 5. Have your students close their eyes. Tell them that a suburb is the area surrounding a city. Ask them to visualize without calling out answers. Say, "Have you ever been to a suburb? There are lots of homes there, but they are not as close together as the homes in a city. What else do you see in a suburb?"
- 6. Have your students open their eyes and tell you things that they would see in a suburb. (*school buses, malls, sidewalks, parks, parking lots, etc.*) List their ideas on the board under the heading "Suburb." Ask your students to think of a definition for "suburb." (*an area surrounding the edge of a city that has many homes*)

#### Day 2

- 1. Make student copies of the blank "Triple Photo Frame" graphic organizer on page 72.
- 2. Introduce any unfamiliar vocabulary:
  - ♦ livestock—domestic animals (sheep, cows, pigs, etc.) raised on a farm or a ranch
  - ♦ settlement—a small village or group of houses
  - ♦ sidewalk—a concrete path that runs along a road
  - ♦ **streetlight**—a light mounted on a pole that shines on a street at night
- 3. Make student copies of "Where Do You Live?" on page 70. Distribute them to the students. The article is written at a 2.9 reading level and should be read with the whole class.
- 4. Discuss the article. Then distribute the graphic organizers and have your students demonstrate their understanding by drawing the three "photo" areas of the picture frame. The first picture should show a scene that the child would see in the country; the second one, a scene from a city; and the third one, a scene from a suburb. Write a label beneath each photo.

### Where Do You Live?

Have you ever wondered why people live in the country, in cities, or in suburbs?

Big pieces of land lie between homes in the country. This is where farmers grow crops and raise livestock. Long ago, almost everyone lived on a farm. They grew food for themselves. Today, few people live on farms. Most farmers have lots of land on which to grow crops. The farmer may have big herds of animals. Farmers earn money selling what they raise. Grocery stores buy farmers' fruits, milk, eggs, and meat.

Long ago, people settled near fresh water. They needed it to drink and to clean. That's why you find big cities along lakes and rivers. Cities began small. Each had just a few families living there. Then more people were born. More people moved to the area. Over time, the settlement grew into a city.

Many people live in a city. Their homes are close together. Cities have businesses and factories, too. There are tall office buildings and lots of places to work. People live where they can earn money. If a city has few jobs, people leave the area. They move to other places. They need jobs.

After cars were invented, people could drive to work. So people who live in the suburbs may have jobs in the city. The suburbs are the areas surrounding a city. Shopping malls are built there. So are a lot of houses. These homes have more space between them than city homes do. The yards are bigger.

City streets have sidewalks and streetlights. Some of the streets may be "one way." This means you can only drive in one direction. Rural areas and most suburbs do not have these things. City people can walk many places. The children may walk to school. But things in the country and suburbs are farther apart. The people who live there drive to get places. Most children outside a city ride a school bus.



