



Explore Anchoring

Attempt to Make Sense Identify Related Phenomena

Develop Questions & Next Steps

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Storyline Tool #1: Anchoring Phenomenon Routine

Does the launch of the unit include these elements of the Anchoring Phenomenon Routine?		Yes	No	If you found evidence of this, what did it look like? Ideas for improvement, if any?
	1A: Students explore an anchoring phenomenon and notice aspects of it			
Element 1 Explore Anchoring Phenomenon What do we notice?	that will require key pieces of the target DCIs to explain.			
	1B: Students go public with what they noticed.			
	1C: The class builds a record of what everyone noticed.			
Element 2 Attempt to Make Sense	2A: Students generate initial explanations that elicit competing ideas about the key pieces of the target DCIs.			
How can we explain this? Do our explanations agree?	2B: Students go public with their explanations.			
	2C: The class builds a record of areas of consensus and disagreement across everyone's explanations.			





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Element 3 Identify Related Phenomena	3A: Students generate examples of related phenomena they have experienced.			
	3B: Students go public with these related phenomena.			
Where else does something like this happen?	3C: The class builds a record of related phenomena.			
	4A: Students generate questions that could potentially lead to uncovering important ideas in the target DCIs.			
	4B: Students go public with their questions.			
Element 4 Develop Questions & Next Steps	4C: The class builds a record of everyone's questions.			
What do we need to figure out to explain all of this?	4D: Students generate ideas for investigations that could potentially lead to uncovering important ideas in the target DCIs.			
	4E: Students go public with ideas for investigations.			
	4F: The class builds a record of everyone's ideas for investigations.			