

Grade 5 Newsletter

Week 28: April 7-8, 2024.

Message from the Grade 5 Team:

ELA: "What does it take to settle a new land?" That is the big question we are exploring in Unit 6. To answer it, we are reading, writing, and talking about the history of the western United States. Be a part of our exploration! With your child, read the new words and talk together about the history of your town or country. Share what you know about how and when it was settled. Try to use some of the new words in your discussion.

Math: This week we continue learning about fractions. A fraction is a part of a whole number, and a way to split up a number into equal parts. It is written as the number of equal parts being counted, called the numerator, over the number of parts in the whole, called the denominator.

Science: This week we continue to explore Unit 9 The Rock Cycle. The rock cycle is a concept used to explain how the three basic rock types are related and how Earth processes, over geologic time, change a rock from one type into another. Plate tectonic activity, along with weathering and erosional processes, are responsible for the continued recycling of rocks. There are three main types of rocks: sedimentary, igneous, and metamorphic. Each of these rocks are formed by physical changes—such as melting, cooling, eroding, compacting, or deforming—that are part of the rock cycle. Be a part of our exploration!

Happy Eid al-Fitr to our students and families! Wishing you joy and blessings.

English Language Arts

Reading Selection: Rhyolite: The True Story of a Ghost Town by Diane Siebert Essential Question: What does it take to settle a new land? Language Focus: Express Opinions Content Vocabulary: boomtown, claim ghost town, investor, limited resources, mining Academic Vocabulary: development, discovery, economy, population, speculate Reading Strategy: Visualize Genre: Narrative Poem Grammar: Different Kinds of Pronouns

Math

Book/Chapter/Unit/Topic Chapter 9 Add and Subtract Fractions Lessons 1, 2 and 3 Key Vocabulary: benchmark fraction, number line, round, like fractions Essential Question: How can equivalent fractions help me add and subtract fractions?

Science

Book/Chapter/Unit: Science Fusion: Unit 9 How Can Rocks Be Classified? Lesson 3 Big Idea: Rocks and minerals are formed and changed through different Earth processes. Essential Question: How can rocks be classified? Science Vocabulary: rock, igneous rock, metamorphic rock, sedimentary rock



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Homework

* Homework is due on Thursday each week.

ELA IXL Skills	LL6	
Math My Math Student Book	Pages: 623 – 624, 629 - 630	
Science IXL Skills	R3	