Teacher(s)	Allen	Subject discipline	group	and	5th Grade Science		
Unit title	Photosynthesis	MYP year			0	Unit duration (hrs)	

Inquiry: Establishing the purpose of the unit

Key concept	Related concept(s)	Global context
Change	Function	Identities & relationships

Statement of inquiry

Matter and energy flow through the atmosphere to make functions happen.

Inquiry questions

Factual— What are the steps of photosynthesis?

Conceptual— If plants did not have chloroplast, would photosynthesis be able to occur?

Debatable— If humans had chloroplasts, would other things need to change in their structures to be able to perform photosynthesis?

Objectives	Summative assessment		
Criterion A: Knowing and Understanding	Outline of summative assessment task(s) including	Relationship between summative assessment task(s)	
i. outline scientific knowledge	assessment criteria:	and statement of inquiry:	
ii: apply scientific knowledge and understanding	Goal-		
to solve problems set in familiar situations and	Your task is to create a leaf foldable	The students will create a foldable that shows how	
suggest solutions to problems set in unfamiliar	about photosynthesis.	the energy flows to make photosynthesis happen.	
situations.	Role-		
iii. interpret information to make scientifically	You are a student who is creating		
supported judgements	this for another student who has		
	been absent to help explain how		
	photosynthesis works.		
	Audience-		
	 Your audience is a student in your 		
	class.		

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Situation- • You are making this as a tool to explain photosynthesis. Product- • You will create a foldable in order to explain photosynthesis to a classmate. Standards and Criteria- • Your performance will be judged by the rubric that is provided.	
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Approaches to learning (ATL)

Thinking- Utilize effective learning strategies in subject groups and disciplines

Self Management- Try new approaches to learning and evaluate their effectiveness

Action: Teaching and learning through inquiry

Content	Learning process
SPI 507.3.1- Identify photosynthesis as	Learning experiences and teaching strategies
the food manufacturing process in plants.	See attached unit plan
SPI 507.3.2- Compare how plants and	Formative assessment
animals obtain energy	group discussions, interactive notebook, journaling, observations, reflective writing, foldables, tests, notes, worksheets
	Differentiation
	Peer tutoring, pre-labeling, modified grading, guided vs. inquiry, Enrichment possibility
Resources	

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textbook, Brainpop, Teacher created flipchart, teacher created tests, teacher created diagrams, teacher tube, youtube, Uncovering student ideas in science probes, Magic School Bus, Bill Nye the Science Guy

Reflection: Considering the planning, process and impact of the inquiry

Prior to teaching the unit Dur	uring teaching	After teaching the unit
knowledge, 65% of the students were proficient or advanced before we started.	euring teaching, I used a variety of nethods for teaching to make sure I eached each student with their specific earning type.	Using the post-test, I was able to see that now 86% of my students are proficient or advanced in this standard.

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