5-PS3 Energy

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

5-PS3-1. Use models to describe that energy in animals’ food (used for body repair, growth, motion, and to maintain body warmth) was once energy from the sun. [Clarification Statement: Examples of models could include diagrams, and flow charts.]

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Science and Engineering Practices

Developing and Using Models
Modeling in 3–5 builds on K–2 experiences and progresses to building and revising simple models and using models to represent events and design solutions.
- Use models to describe phenomena. (5-PS3-1)

Disciplinary Core Ideas

PS3.D: Energy in Chemical Processes and Everyday Life
- The energy released from food was once energy from the sun that was captured by plants in the chemical process that forms plant matter (from air and water). (5-PS3-1)

- Food provides animals with the materials they need for body repair and growth and the energy they need to maintain body warmth and for motion. (secondary to 5-PS3-1)

Crosscutting Concepts

Energy and Matter
- Energy can be transferred in various ways and between objects. (5-PS3-1)

Connections to other DCIs in fifth grade: N/A

Articulation of DCIs across grade-levels: K.LS1.C (5-PS3-1); 2.LS2.A (5-PS3-1); 4.PS3.A (5-PS3-1); 4.PS3.B (5-PS3-1); 4.PS3.D (5-PS3-1); MS.PS3.D (5-PS3-1); MS.PS4.B (5-PS3-1); MS.LS1.C (5-PS3-1); MS.LS2.B (5-PS3-1)

Common Core State Standards Connections:
ELA/Literacy –
RI.5.7 Draw on information from multiple print or digital sources, demonstrating the ability to locate an answer to a question quickly or to solve a problem efficiently. (5-PS3-1)
SL.5.5 Include multimedia components (e.g., graphics, sound) and visual displays in presentations when appropriate to enhance the development of main ideas or themes. (5-PS3-1)

*The performance expectations marked with an asterisk integrate traditional science content with engineering through a Practice or Disciplinary Core Idea.

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