

2-ESS1-1 Earth's Place in the Universe

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

2-ESS1-1. Use information from several sources to provide evidence that Earth events can occur quickly or slowly. [Clarification Statement: Examples of events and timescales could include volcanic explosions and earthquakes, which happen quickly and erosion of rocks, which occurs slowly.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment does not include quantitative measurements of timescales.]

The performance expectation above was developed using the following elements from the NRC document A Framework for K-12 Science Education:

Science and Engineering Practices

Constructing Explanations and

Designing Solutions Constructing explanations and designing solutions in K–2 builds on prior experiences and progresses to the use of evidence and ideas in constructing evidence-based accounts of natural phenomena and designing solutions.

 Make observations from several sources to construct an evidencebased account for natural phenomena.

Disciplinary Core Ideas

ESS1.C: The History of Planet Earth

• Some events happen very quickly; others occur very slowly, over a time period much longer than one can observe.

Crosscutting Concepts

Stability and Change

• Things may change slowly or rapidly.

Observable features of the student performance by the end of the grade:

1	Articulating the explanation of phenomena			
	a Students articulate a statement that relates the given phenomenon to a scientific idea, incl		s articulate a statement that relates the given phenomenon to a scientific idea, including	
		that Earth events can occur very quickly or very slowly.		
	b	Students	s use evidence and reasoning to construct an evidence-based account of the phenomenon.	
2	Evic	idence		
	а	Students describe* the evidence from observations (firsthand or from media; e.g., books, videos,		
			pictures, historical photos), including:	
			hat some Earth events occur quickly (e.g., the occurrence of flood, severe storm, volcanic ruption, earthquake, landslides, erosion of soil).	
		ii. T	hat some Earth events occur slowly.	
		iii. S	ome results of Earth events that occur quickly.	
			ome results of Earth events that occur very slowly (e.g., erosion of rocks, weathering of ocks).	
			he relative amount of time it takes for the given Earth events to occur (e.g., slowly, quickly, ours, days, years).	
	b	Students	s make observations using at least three sources	
3	Rea	isoning		
	а	Students	udents use reasoning to logically connect the evidence to construct an evidence-based accoun	
		Students	tudents describe* their reasoning, including:	
			n some cases, Earth events and the resulting changes can be directly observed; therefore nose events must occur rapidly.	
			o other cases, the resulting changes of Earth events can be observed only after long	
			eriods of time; therefore these Earth events occur slowly, and change happens over a time	
		•	eriod that is much longer than one can observe.	