Phoenixville Area School District UbD Science Unit Plan

Grade Level: 8 th	Grade Unit Name: Energy (Review) A	uthor: A. Gottschall and D. Sylvan	
	Stage 1 Desired Results		
Overarching NGSS & PA	Transfer Students will be able to independently use their learning to		
Standards: 3.2.6-8.A Develop models to describe the atomic composition of simple	 Ask questions and/or define problems Develop and/or use models Plan and/or carry out investigations Analyze and interpret data using computational thinking Obtain, evaluate, and communicate information (supported by evidence) Construct explanations and design solutions 		
molecules and	Meaning-Making		
extended structures. 3.2.6-8.C Gather and make sense of information to describe that synthetic materials come from natural resources and impact society. 3.2.6-8.D Analyze and interpret data on the properties of substances before and after the substances interact to	 Students will understand that All matter is made of atoms. Pure substances (elements) have unique physical and chemical properties. Phase changes occur based on variations of temperature and/or pressure. Heat is the transfer of thermal energy from one substance to another. During a chemical reaction the amount of atoms present in the reactant and product remains the same. Chemical reactions release or absorb/store energy. There are two main types of energy: Kinetic and Potential. Kinetic energy contains Sound, Radiant, Electrical, Thermal, and Motion. Potential energy contains Gravitational, Tension, Nuclear, and Chemical. Energy is neither created nor destroyed, just changes form. Energy transformations are when energy changes from form to form. Force is needed for energy to be in motion. 	 ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS Students will keep considering How do particles combine to form matter? How do substances combine or change to make a new substance? What is energy? What is the difference between kinetic and potential? What is meant by conservation of energy? How is energy used in different forms? What is an energy transformation? 	

determine if a	Knowledge and Skills Acquisition		
chemical	Students will understand that		Students will be skilled at
reaction has occurred. 3.2.6-8.E Develop and use a model to describe how the total	 Atoms can be arranged in different ways to form molecules. The molecules in solids, liquids and gases move at different speeds and spread away from each other as energy is increased. Chemical reactions can be defined as endothermic or exothermic. Energy is neither created nor destroyed, just changes form. Energy is the ability to do work. Potential energy is stored energy waiting to be used and changed into kinetic 		 Modeling the atomic structure of different substances and phases. Determining if a chemical reaction has taken place. Identifying whether a
number of atoms does not change in a chemical reaction and thus mass is conserved. 3.2.6-8.F	 Kinetic energy is energy in motion. There are different forms of energy. Potential contains energies that do not use motion any time. Kinetic energy contains energy that is being utime. Energy Transfers occur when one form change than one transfer. Turning on a light switch is Some energy transfers that can have multiple 	otion to move, but store energy to be used used and will need to be restored at a certain ges into another. Transfers can have more s motion to electric to radiant and heat.	 chemical reaction was endo or exothermic. Demonstrate how the law of conservation of mass using a model. Design and test an experiment that releases or absorbs heat. Identify what the
Undertake a design project to construct, test, and modify a device that either releases or absorbs	Phase/State Atom Molecule	 Motion Sound Chemical 	 definition of energy is in general terms. Identify the different forms of energy and what main type they belong to. Describe the transformation of
thermal energy by chemical processes.* 3.2.6-8.M Apply scientific principles to design,	 Conservation Exothermic Endothermic Energy Kinetic Energy Potential Energy Work Force 	 Radial Electrical Thermal Nuclear Tension Gravitational Mechanical 	 everyday energy transformations. Develop their own transformations and explain how energy is changing. Provide evidence in when energy has
construct, and test a device that either minimizes or maximizes			 changed into a different form Conducting investigations and describing how energy is changing.

thermal energy transfer.	Design and conduct experiment to determine the energy form filled to the energy form filled
3.2.6-8.N	potential to kineti
Plan an	Compare differen
investigation to	forms and how th
determine the	similar and difference
relationships	
among the	
energy	
transferred, the	
type of matter,	
the mass, and	
the change in	
the average	
kinetic energy	
of the particles	
as measured by	
the temperature	
of the sample.	
3.2.6-8.P	
Develop a	
model to	
describe that	
when the	
arrangement of	
objects	
interacting at a	
distance	
change,	
different	
amounts of	
potential	
energy are	
stored in the	
system.	
Which	
branch(es) of	
science apply:	

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	Stage 2 – Evidence	
Evaluative Criteria	Assessment Evidence	
	PERFORMANCE TASK(S):	Differentiation Considerations:
Lab Report	Projects, Labs, and Investigations:	Different modes of presentation
Rubric		
	• Project: Model of an Atom (Old 7 th Grade)	• PowerPoint
Performance	• Use household items to build a model of atom.	• poster
	• Label and describe all parts.	Student choice
Rubric	• Project: Model and/or demonstration of a form of energy (Old 7 th Grade)	
	 Students are assigned a type of energy to demonstrate and explain in class. Assignments are made based on formative assessment data. 	
	 Assignments are made based on formative assessment data. Energy demonstration and presentation will be set up as stations. 	Use of notes and resources
	 While viewing stations, students identify the form of energy and explain how it is 	
	or is not a good representation.	Chunked Assignment
	• Lab: PhET Simulation – Molecules and Thermal Energy	Adapted Assessment
	• Apply and remove heat to different substances and observe the interaction of	Adapted Assessment
	molecules.	Chunked Assignment
	 Complete the lab sheet based on collected data and observation. 	
	• Lab: Building Molecules with Lego (Old 7 th Grade)	Checklists
	• Students are given 3 different molecules and tasked with using Legos to build them.	
	• Once built, record on lab sheet.	
	• Use the molecules to create a compound.	
	• Lab: PhET Simulation – Building Molecules	
	 Create 6 different types of molecules based on bonds. Complete the assigned lab sheet. 	
	 Project: Photosynthesis & Cellular Respiration 	
	 Students use the equations for Photosynthesis and Cellular Respiration to 	
	demonstrate the Law of Conservation of Mass.	
	 May be demonstrated as a poster or PowerPoint. 	
	• The total number of atoms and total number of elements will be clearly identified	
	on both sides of the equations.	
	• Lab: Lab: Exo/Endothermic - Elephant Toothpaste & Instant Ice Packs	
	• Students conduct two different labs measuring the temperature change of each.	
	• Data should be collected at one-minute intervals.	
	• Analyze data and determine what type of reaction took place.	
	• Hypothesize where the heat went to when cooling off.	

	 Lab: PE/KE PhET Simulation – Energy Skate Park Students observe the changes from PE to KE while building a virtual skate park. Determine the relationship based on the graph. Hypothesize and discuss the relationship to thermal energy. Complete lab sheet. Project: PE/KE Roller Coasters (Old 7th Grade) Build a roller coaster for a marble using pipe insulation. Determine the PE for the marble. Determine the KE for the marble. Discuss and determine if the relationship was 1:1. Hypothesize where the missing energy went. Project: Mouse Trap Cars – Energy conversion to kinetic, thermal, sound Inquiry based project. Students will be given materials and told to make a car that can travel 1 meter. Identify the types of energy conversions taking place. Alternative Projects/Labs/Presentations: 	
What criteria will be used in each assessment to evaluate attainment of the desired results? Graded tests and quizzes. Pre-Assessment via online game (quizizz, kahoot! Etc). Mastery Path Progress Rubrics related to each.	OTHER EVIDENCE: Teacher Summative: Matter, Atoms, Molecules Phases/States of Matter, Types of Energy, Conservation of Energy Chemical Energy, Chemical Reactions, Conservation of Mass (Balancing Equation) Common Summative: Unit Test Participation in hands-on labs a. Checklists of collaborative behaviors in labs and activities Science Notebook/Portfolio a. Concept maps b. Vocabulary/Glossary entries c. Guided Research d. Lab Reports described above e. Daily Journal Entries	Differentiation Considerations: Adapted/Modified Quizzes Homogeneously grouped labs to allow for teacher support Pictures to support vocabulary Flexible grouping Peer Mentors Guided Notes/Printed PowerPoint Slides Pictures and videos to support vocabulary Sentence Starters Product modification in place of writing:
	Checklists of collaborative behaviors in class discussions	DrawingVerbal explanation

Self-assessments for Performance Tasks	
Class Participation	