

# Science Life Skills – 7 - 10 - Scope and Sequence

## Semester 1

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Term 1 – Living World						
Stage	Life Skills Outcomes (ODD)	Stage Related Outcomes (ODD)	Content Focus (ODD)	Life Skills Outcomes (EVEN)	Stage Related Outcomes (EVEN)	Content Focus (EVEN)
Stage 4	SCLS-17LW Recognises features of living and non-living things	SC4-14LW Relates the structure and function of living things to their classification, survival and reproduction	<b>Structure and Function - Key Content Focus</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are differences within and between living things.</li> <li>• Living and non-living things</li> <li>✎ Explore ways that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples classify plants or animals</li> <li>• Features of living things</li> <li>• Changes in living things</li> </ul>	SCLS-19LW Explores ways in which science and technology have improved human health	SC4-14LW Relates the structure and function of living things to their classification, survival and reproduction	<b>Human Body - Key Inquiry Content</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scientific and technological developments have affected the functioning of the human body.</li> </ul>
	SCLS-18LW Identifies structures of living things and their functions	SC4-14LW Relates the structure and function of living things to their classification, survival and reproduction			SC5-14LW Analyses interactions between components and processes within biological systems	
	<b>Skills</b>	SCLS-3VA Demonstrates a willingness to engage with science-related issues relevant to their lives			<b>Skills</b>	
Stage 5	SCLS-17LW Recognises features of living and non-living things	SC5-14LW Analyses interactions between components and processes within biological systems	<b>Structure and Function – Key Content Focus</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Living things have structures that carry out specialised functions.</li> <li>• Plants</li> <li>• Animals</li> </ul>	SCLS-20LW Explores the interactions of living things with each other and the environment  SCLS-21LW Investigates the effect of science and technology on the environment	SC4-15LW Explains how new biological evidence changes people’s understanding of the world	<b>Environment - Key Inquiry Content</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Living things depend on each other and on the environment.</li> <li>• Human activity can affect how an ecosystem functions.</li> </ul>
	SCLS-18LW Identifies structures of living things and their functions	SC5-14LW Analyses interactions between components and processes within biological systems			SC5-15LW Explains how biological understanding has advanced through scientific discoveries, technological developments and the needs of society	
	<b>Skills</b>	SCLS-3VA Demonstrates a willingness to engage with science-related issues relevant to their lives			<b>Skills</b>	
Term 2 – Earth and Space						
Stage	Life Skills Outcomes (ODD)	Stage Related Outcomes (ODD)	Content Focus (ODD)	Life Skills Outcomes (EVEN)	Stage Related Outcomes (EVEN)	Content Focus (EVEN)
Stage 4	SCLS-13ES Identifies features of the Earth	SC4-12ES Describes the dynamic nature of models, theories and laws in developing scientific understanding of the Earth and solar system	<b>Earth and Solar System – Key Content Focus</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Features of the Earth</li> <li>• Changes to the features of the Earth</li> </ul>	SCLS-15ES Identifies that the Earth is the source of resources used in everyday life	SC4-13ES Explains how advances in scientific understanding of processes that occur within and on the Earth, influence the choices people make about resource use and management	<b>Earth's Resources – Key Content Focus</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Earth is the source of all the resources needed in everyday life.</li> </ul>
	SCLS-14ES Explores features of the solar system, including the	SC4-12ES Describes the dynamic nature of models, theories and laws in developing scientific		SCLS-16ES Investigates some practices used in the effective	SC4-13ES Explains how advances in scientific understanding of processes	

	Earth's position and movement	understanding of the Earth and solar system		management of the Earth's resources	that occur within and on the Earth, influence the choices people make about resource use and management	
	<b>Skills</b>	SCLS-2VA Recognises that using the processes of Working Scientifically increases their understanding of the world		<b>Skills</b>	SCLS-6WS Participates in an investigation by following a sequence SCLS-9WS Uses a variety of strategies to communicate information about an investigation	
<b>Stage 5</b>	SCLS-13ES Identifies features of the Earth	SCS-12ES Describes changing ideas about the structure of the Earth and the universe to illustrate how models, theories and laws are refined over time by the scientific community	<b>Earth and Solar System – Key Content Focus</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Solar system</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☞ Explore how Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples use the night sky to make decisions about everyday activities, eg food gathering and ceremonies</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Earth's movement in space</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☞ Explore a seasonal calendar used by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	SCLS-15ES Identifies that the Earth is the source of resources used in everyday life	SCS-13ES Explains how scientific knowledge about global patterns of geological activity and interactions involving global systems can be used to inform decisions related to contemporary issues	<b>Earth's Resources – Key Content Focus</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Human activity has an impact on the effective management of the Earth's resources</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☞ Recognise ways that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples sustain the value of the land, eg through the selective use of resources</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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## Science Life Skills – 7 - 10 - Scope and Sequence Semester 2

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Term 3 – Material World						
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<b>Stage 4</b>	SCLS-22CW Recognises the properties of common substances	SC4-16CW Describes the observed properties and behaviour of matter, using scientific models and theories about the motion and arrangement of particles SC4-17CW Explains how scientific understanding of, and discoveries about the properties of elements, compounds and mixtures relate to their uses in everyday life	<b>Properties of Substances – Key Inquiry Content</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Solids, liquids and gases have different properties.</i></li> </ul>	SCLS-24CW Investigates a variety of chemical changes	-	<b>Chemical Change – Key Inquiry Content</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>When a chemical change occurs, new substances may be formed</i></li> <li>• <i>Reactions of acids</i></li> </ul>
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	<b>Skills</b>	SCLS-4WS Asks questions that can be tested and makes predictions SCLS-5WS Participates in planning to investigate questions or problems SCLS-6WS Participates in an investigation by following a sequence				
<b>Stage 5</b>	SCLS-22CW Recognises the properties of common substances	SC5-16CW Explains how models, theories and laws about matter have been refined as new scientific evidence becomes available	<b>Properties of Substances – Key Inquiry Content</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Mixtures can be separated using a range of techniques.</i></li> <li>• <i>Common chemicals have different uses.</i></li> </ul>	SCLS-24CW Investigates a variety of chemical changes	SC5-17CW Discusses the importance of chemical reactions in the production of a range of substances, and the influence of society on the development of new materials	<b>Chemical Change – Key Inquiry Content</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>When a chemical change occurs, new substances may be formed</i></li> <li>• <i>Combustion</i></li> </ul>
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<b>Stage 4</b>	SCLS-10PW Explores a range of forces in everyday situations	SC4-10PW Describes the action of unbalanced forces in everyday situations	<b>Forces - Key Content Focus</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Forces</i></li> <li>• <i>Electrostatic forces</i></li> <li>• <i>Gravitational forces</i></li> </ul>	SCLS-11PW Identifies various forms and sources of energy and their uses	SC4-11PW Discusses how scientific understanding and technological developments have contributed to finding solutions to problems involving energy transfers and transformations	<b>Energy - Key Content Focus</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Responsible use of energy is important for individuals and society.</i></li> </ul>
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<b>Stage 5</b>	SCLS-10PW Explores a range of forces in everyday situations	SC5-10PW Applies models, theories and laws to explain situations involving energy, force and motion	<b>Forces - Key Content Focus</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Forces</i></li> <li>• <i>Frictional force</i></li> <li>• <i>Magnetic forces</i></li> </ul>	SCLS-11PW Identifies various forms and sources of energy and their uses	SC5-11PW Explains how scientific understanding about energy conservation, transfers and transformations is applied in systems	<b>Energy - Key Content Focus</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>There are different forms of energy, which may be transferred and transformed for different purposes.</i></li> </ul>
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