

Inquiry Investigations™
Environmental Issues and Solutions MODULE - 1287226
Grades: 7-10

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Illinois Learning Standards
Science
Grade 7

STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.11.	Inquiry and Design: Understand the processes of scientific inquiry and technological design to investigate questions, conduct experiments and solve problems.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	11.A.	Know and apply the concepts, principles and processes of scientific inquiry.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.A.3b.	<p>Conduct scientific experiments that control all but one variable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.A.3c.	<p>Collect and record data accurately using consistent measuring and recording techniques and media.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7

		<p>Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 1: Calculating a Biodiversity Index for Leaf Litter Ecosystems • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem • Virtual Laboratory: The Effect of Temperature on Dissolved Oxygen
<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>11.A.3d.</p>	<p>Explain the existence of unexpected results in a data set.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6

		<p>Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 1: Calculating a Biodiversity Index for Leaf Litter Ecosystems • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem • Virtual Laboratory: The Effect of Temperature on Dissolved Oxygen
<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>11.A.3e.</p>	<p>Use data manipulation tools and quantitative (e.g., mean, mode, simple equations) and representational methods (e.g., simulations, image processing) to analyze measurements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4

		<p>Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 1: Calculating a Biodiversity Index for Leaf Litter Ecosystems • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem • Virtual Laboratory: The Effect of Temperature on Dissolved Oxygen
<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>11.A.3f.</p>	<p>Interpret and represent results of analysis to produce findings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens

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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>11.A.3g.</p>	<p>Report and display the process and results of a scientific investigation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming

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STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.11.	Inquiry and Design: Understand the processes of scientific inquiry and technological design to investigate questions, conduct experiments and solve problems.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	11.B.	Know and apply the concepts, principles and processes of technological design.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.B.3b.	Sketch, propose and compare design solutions to the problem considering available materials, tools, cost effectiveness and safety.

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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>11.B.3f.</p>	<p>Using available technology, report the relative success of the design based on the test results and criteria.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey

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STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.12.	Concepts and Principles: Understand the fundamental concepts, principles and interconnections of the life, physical and earth/space sciences.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.A.	Know and apply concepts that explain how living things function, adapt and change.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.A.3a.	<p>Explain how cells function as building blocks of organisms and describe the requirements for cells to live.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.A.3c.	<p>Compare and contrast how different forms and structures reflect different functions (e.g., similarities and differences among animals that fly, walk or swim; structures of plant cells and animal cells).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10

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STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.12.	Concepts and Principles: Understand the fundamental concepts, principles and interconnections of the life, physical and earth/space sciences.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.B.	Know and apply concepts that describe how living things interact with each other and with their environment.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.B.3a.	<p>Identify and classify biotic and abiotic factors in an environment that affect population density, habitat and placement of organisms in an energy pyramid.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey

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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>12.B.3b.</p>	<p>Compare and assess features of organisms for their adaptive, competitive and survival potential (e.g., appendages, reproductive rates, camouflage, defensive structures).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 1: Calculating a Biodiversity Index for Leaf Litter Ecosystems • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem • Teacher Resource CD: Ecosystems, Energy, and Biodiversity
<p>STATE GOAL / STRAND</p>	<p>IL.12.</p>	<p>Concepts and Principles: Understand the fundamental</p>

		concepts, principles and interconnections of the life, physical and earth/space sciences.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.C.	Know and apply concepts that describe properties of matter and energy and the interactions between them.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.C.3a.	<p>Explain interactions of energy with matter including changes of state and conservation of mass and energy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids • Teacher Resource CD: Ecosystems, Energy, and Biodiversity
STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.12.	Concepts and Principles: Understand the fundamental concepts, principles and interconnections of the life, physical and earth/space sciences.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.E.	Know and apply concepts that describe the features and processes of the Earth and its resources.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.E.3a.	<p>Analyze and explain large-scale dynamic forces, events and processes that affect the Earth's land, water and atmospheric systems (e.g., jetstream, hurricanes, plate tectonics).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Teacher Resource CD: Air, Water, and Soils
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.E.3b.	<p>Describe interactions between solid earth, oceans, atmosphere and organisms that have resulted in ongoing changes of Earth (e.g., erosion, El Nino).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant

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LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.E.3c.	<p>Evaluate the biodegradability of renewable and nonrenewable natural resources.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes Teacher Resource CD: Environmental Issues
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STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.F.	<p>Know and apply concepts that explain the composition and structure of the universe and Earth's place in it.</p>
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.F.3b.	<p>Describe the organization and physical characteristics of the solar system (e.g., sun, planets, satellites, asteroids, comets).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes
STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.13.	<p>Science, Technology, and Society: Understand the relationships among science, technology and society in historical and contemporary contexts.</p>
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	13.A.	<p>Know and apply the accepted practices of science.</p>
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.A.3a.	<p>Identify and reduce potential hazards in science activities (e.g., ventilation, handling chemicals).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants

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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>13.A.3b.</p>	<p>Analyze historical and contemporary cases in which the work of science has been affected by both valid and biased scientific practices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3

		<p>Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 1: Calculating a Biodiversity Index for Leaf Litter Ecosystems • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem • Teacher Resource CD: Environmental Issues • Virtual Laboratory: The Effect of Temperature on Dissolved Oxygen
STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL. 13.	Science, Technology, and Society: Understand the relationships among science, technology and society in historical and contemporary contexts.

STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	13.B.	Know and apply concepts that describe the interaction between science, technology and society.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.B.3a.	<p>Identify and explain ways that scientific knowledge and economics drive technological development.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.B.3d.	<p>Analyze the interaction of resource acquisition, technological development and ecosystem impact (e.g., diamond, coal or gold mining; deforestation).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants

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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>13.B.3e.</p>	<p>Identify advantages and disadvantages of natural resource conservation and management programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem • Teacher Resource CD: Environmental Issues
<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>13.B.3f.</p>	<p>Apply classroom-developed criteria to determine the effects of policies on local science and technology issues (e.g., energy consumption, landfills, water quality).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge

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Illinois Learning Standards
Science
Grade 8

STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL. 11.	Inquiry and Design: Understand the processes of scientific inquiry and technological design to investigate questions, conduct experiments and solve problems.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	11.A.	Know and apply the concepts, principles and processes of scientific inquiry.

LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.A.3b.	<p>Conduct scientific experiments that control all but one variable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.A.3c.	<p>Collect and record data accurately using consistent measuring and recording techniques and media.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey

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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>11.A.3d.</p>	<p>Explain the existence of unexpected results in a data set.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant

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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>11.A.3e.</p>	<p>Use data manipulation tools and quantitative (e.g., mean, mode, simple equations) and representational methods (e.g., simulations, image processing) to analyze measurements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web

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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>11.A.3f.</p>	<p>Interpret and represent results of analysis to produce findings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10

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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>11.A.3g.</p>	<p>Report and display the process and results of a scientific investigation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis

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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>11.B.3e.</p>	<p>Evaluate the test results based on established criteria, note sources of error and recommend improvements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes

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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>11.B.3f.</p>	<p>Using available technology, report the relative success of the design based on the test results and criteria.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill

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STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.A.	Know and apply concepts that explain how living things function, adapt and change.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.A.3a.	<p>Explain how cells function as building blocks of organisms and describe the requirements for cells to live.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.A.3c.	<p>Compare and contrast how different forms and structures reflect different functions (e.g., similarities and differences among animals that fly, walk or swim; structures of plant cells and animal cells).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem
STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.12.	Concepts and Principles: Understand the fundamental concepts, principles and interconnections of the life, physical and earth/space sciences.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.B.	Know and apply concepts that describe how living things interact with each other and with their environment.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.B.3a.	<p>Identify and classify biotic and abiotic factors in an environment that affect population density, habitat and placement of organisms in an energy pyramid.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill

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LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.B.3b.	<p>Compare and assess features of organisms for their adaptive, competitive and survival potential (e.g., appendages, reproductive rates, camouflage, defensive structures).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 1: Calculating a Biodiversity Index for Leaf Litter Ecosystems • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem • Teacher Resource CD: Ecosystems, Energy, and Biodiversity
STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.12.	Concepts and Principles: Understand the fundamental concepts, principles and interconnections of the life, physical and earth/space sciences.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.C.	Know and apply concepts that describe properties of matter and energy and the interactions between them.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.C.3a.	<p>Explain interactions of energy with matter including changes of state and conservation of mass and energy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9

		<p>Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teacher Resource CD: Ecosystems, Energy, and Biodiversity
STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.12.	Concepts and Principles: Understand the fundamental concepts, principles and interconnections of the life, physical and earth/space sciences.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.E.	Know and apply concepts that describe the features and processes of the Earth and its resources.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.E.3a.	<p>Analyze and explain large-scale dynamic forces, events and processes that affect the Earth's land, water and atmospheric systems (e.g., jetstream, hurricanes, plate tectonics).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill Teacher Resource CD: Air, Water, and Soils
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.E.3b.	<p>Describe interactions between solid earth, oceans, atmosphere and organisms that have resulted in ongoing changes of Earth (e.g., erosion, El Nino).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant Teacher Resource CD: Air, Water, and Soils Teacher Resource CD: Environmental Issues
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.E.3c.	<p>Evaluate the biodegradability of renewable and nonrenewable natural resources.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes Teacher Resource CD: Environmental Issues
STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.12.	Concepts and Principles: Understand the fundamental concepts, principles and interconnections of the life, physical

		and earth/space sciences.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.F.	Know and apply concepts that explain the composition and structure of the universe and Earth's place in it.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.F.3b.	Describe the organization and physical characteristics of the solar system (e.g., sun, planets, satellites, asteroids, comets). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes
STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.13.	Science, Technology, and Society: Understand the relationships among science, technology and society in historical and contemporary contexts.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	13.A.	Know and apply the accepted practices of science.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.A.3a.	Identify and reduce potential hazards in science activities (e.g., ventilation, handling chemicals). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and

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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>13.A.3b.</p>	<p>Analyze historical and contemporary cases in which the work of science has been affected by both valid and biased scientific practices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8

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STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	13.B.	Know and apply concepts that describe the interaction between science, technology and society.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.B.3a.	<p>Identify and explain ways that scientific knowledge and economics drive technological development.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.B.3d.	Analyze the interaction of resource acquisition, technological development and ecosystem impact (e.g., diamond, coal or gold mining);

deforestation).

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LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.B.3e.	<p>Identify advantages and disadvantages of natural resource conservation and management programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem • Teacher Resource CD: Environmental Issues
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.B.3f.	<p>Apply classroom-developed criteria to determine the effects of policies on local science and technology issues (e.g., energy consumption, landfills, water quality).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant

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Grade 9**

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STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	11.A.	Know and apply the concepts, principles and processes of scientific inquiry.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.A.4c.	<p>Collect, organize and analyze data accurately and precisely.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants

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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>11.A.4d.</p>	<p>Apply statistical methods to the data to reach and support conclusions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8

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LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.B.4b.	Propose and compare different solution designs to the design problem based upon given constraints including available tools, materials and time. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.B.4c.	Develop working visualizations of the proposed solution designs (e.g., blueprints, schematics, flowcharts, cad-cam, animations). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.B.4d.	Determine the criteria upon which the designs will be judged, identify advantages and disadvantages of the designs and select the most promising design. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill
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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>11.B.4f.</p>	<p>Evaluate the test results based on established criteria, note sources of error and recommend improvements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill
<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>11.B.4g.</p>	<p>Using available technology, report to an audience the relative success of the design based on the test results and criteria.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and

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STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.A.	Know and apply concepts that explain how living things function, adapt and change.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.A.4b.	<p>Describe the structures and organization of cells and tissues that underlie basic life functions including nutrition, respiration, cellular transport, biosynthesis and reproduction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem
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STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.B.	Know and apply concepts that describe how living things interact with each other and with their environment.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.B.4a.	<p>Compare physical, ecological and behavioral factors that influence interactions and interdependence of organisms.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 1: Calculating a Biodiversity Index for Leaf

		<p>Litter Ecosystems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids • Teacher Resource CD: Ecosystems, Energy, and Biodiversity
<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>12.B.4b.</p>	<p>Simulate and analyze factors that influence the size and stability of populations within ecosystems (e.g., birth rate, death rate, predation, migration patterns).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 1: Calculating a Biodiversity Index for Leaf Litter Ecosystems • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9

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STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.E.	Know and apply concepts that describe the features and processes of the Earth and its resources.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.E.4a.	<p>Explain how external and internal energy sources drive Earth processes (e.g., solar energy drives weather patterns; internal heat drives plate tectonics).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Teacher Resource CD: Air, Water, and Soils
STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.13.	Science, Technology, and Society: Understand the relationships among science, technology and society in historical and contemporary contexts.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	13.A.	Know and apply the accepted practices of science.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.A.4a.	<p>Estimate and suggest ways to reduce the degree of risk involved in science activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis

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<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>13.A.4b.</p>	<p>Assess the validity of scientific data by analyzing the results, sample set, sample size, similar previous experimentation, possible misrepresentation of data presented and potential sources of error.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming

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STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	13.B.	Know and apply concepts that describe the interaction between science, technology and society.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.B.4a.	Compare and contrast scientific inquiry and technological design as pure and applied sciences.

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LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.B.4c.	<p>Analyze ways that resource management and technology can be used to accommodate population trends.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem Teacher Resource CD: Environmental Issues
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Science

Grade 10

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STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	11.A.	Know and apply the concepts, principles and processes of scientific inquiry.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.A.4c.	<p>Collect, organize and analyze data accurately and precisely.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3

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11.A.4d. Apply statistical methods to the data to reach and support conclusions.

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STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.11.	Inquiry and Design: Understand the processes of scientific inquiry and technological design to investigate questions, conduct experiments and solve problems.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	11.B.	Know and apply the concepts, principles and processes of technological design.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.B.4b.	Propose and compare different solution designs to the design problem based upon given constraints including available tools, materials and time. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.B.4c.	Develop working visualizations of the proposed solution designs (e.g., blueprints, schematics, flowcharts, cad-cam, animations). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.B.4d.	Determine the criteria upon which the designs will be judged, identify advantages and disadvantages of the designs and select the most promising design. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1

		Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.B.4e.	<p>Develop and test a prototype or simulation of the solution design using available materials, instruments and technology.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.B.4f.	<p>Evaluate the test results based on established criteria, note sources of error and recommend improvements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	11.B.4g.	<p>Using available technology, report to an audience the relative success of the design based on the test results and criteria.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and

		<p>Phosphates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 1: Calculating a Biodiversity Index for Leaf Litter Ecosystems • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem • Virtual Laboratory: The Effect of Temperature on Dissolved Oxygen
STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.12.	Concepts and Principles: Understand the fundamental concepts, principles and interconnections of the life, physical and earth/space sciences.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.A.	Know and apply concepts that explain how living things function, adapt and change.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.A.4b.	<p>Describe the structures and organization of cells and tissues that underlie basic life functions including nutrition, respiration, cellular transport, biosynthesis and reproduction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem
STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.12.	Concepts and Principles: Understand the fundamental concepts, principles and interconnections of the life, physical and earth/space sciences.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.B.	Know and apply concepts that describe how living things interact with each other and with their environment.
LEARNING STANDARD /	12.B.4a.	Compare physical, ecological and behavioral factors that influence

<p>PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>		<p>interactions and interdependence of organisms.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 1: Calculating a Biodiversity Index for Leaf Litter Ecosystems • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids • Teacher Resource CD: Ecosystems, Energy, and Biodiversity
<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>12.B.4b.</p>	<p>Simulate and analyze factors that influence the size and stability of populations within ecosystems (e.g., birth rate, death rate, predation, migration patterns).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10

		<p>Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 1: Calculating a Biodiversity Index for Leaf Litter Ecosystems Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem Teacher Resource CD: Ecosystems, Energy, and Biodiversity Teacher Resource CD: Environmental Issues
STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.12.	Concepts and Principles: Understand the fundamental concepts, principles and interconnections of the life, physical and earth/space sciences.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	12.E.	Know and apply concepts that describe the features and processes of the Earth and its resources.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	12.E.4a.	<p>Explain how external and internal energy sources drive Earth processes (e.g., solar energy drives weather patterns; internal heat drives plate tectonics).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming Teacher Resource CD: Air, Water, and Soils
STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.13.	Science, Technology, and Society: Understand the relationships among science, technology and society in historical and contemporary contexts.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	13.A.	Know and apply the accepted practices of science.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.A.4a.	<p>Estimate and suggest ways to reduce the degree of risk involved in science activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global

		<p>Warming</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 1: Calculating a Biodiversity Index for Leaf Litter Ecosystems • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem • Virtual Laboratory: The Effect of Temperature on Dissolved Oxygen
<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>13.A.4b.</p>	<p>Assess the validity of scientific data by analyzing the results, sample set, sample size, similar previous experimentation, possible misrepresentation of data presented and potential sources of error.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2

		<p>Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 1: Calculating a Biodiversity Index for Leaf Litter Ecosystems • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem • Virtual Laboratory: The Effect of Temperature on
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STATE GOAL / STRAND	IL.13.	Science, Technology, and Society: Understand the relationships among science, technology and society in historical and contemporary contexts.
STATE GOAL / LEARNING STANDARD	13.B.	Know and apply concepts that describe the interaction between science, technology and society.
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.B.4a.	<p>Compare and contrast scientific inquiry and technological design as pure and applied sciences.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 2: Identifying Owl Prey • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 3: Constructing a Predator-Prey Food Web • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11 Activity 1: Calculating a Biodiversity Index for Leaf Litter Ecosystems • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 11

		<p>Activity 2: Determining the Carrying Capacity of a Population</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 1: Food Web Organization • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 9 Activity 2: A Closer Look at Energy Pyramids • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem • Virtual Laboratory: The Effect of Temperature on Dissolved Oxygen
<p>LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR</p>	<p>13.B.4b.</p>	<p>Analyze a particular occupation to identify decisions that may be influenced by a knowledge of science.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 2 Activity 1: Observing Radiation Effects on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 1: Biodegrading a Simulated Oil Spill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 2: Cleaning Up Shore Environments • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 3 Activity 3: Examining Oil-Degrading Microbes • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 4 Activity 1: The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 5 Activity 1: Modeling Salt Runoff Discharge • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 1: Identifying Airborne Pollutants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 6 Activity 2: Observing Air Pollution Indicators - Lichens • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 1: Soil Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 2: Soil Porosity and Permeability • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 7 Activity 3: Soil Testing For Nitrogen, pH, and Phosphates • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 1: How Water Pollutants Are Measured • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 2: Water Analysis • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 3: Determining the LD50 of a Water Pollutant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 2 Lab 8 Activity 4: Observing the Effects of Acid Rain and Other Pollutants on Plants • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 3 Lab 10 Activity 1: Dissecting an Owl Pellet

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LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.B.4c.	<p>Analyze ways that resource management and technology can be used to accommodate population trends.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem • Teacher Resource CD: Environmental Issues
LEARNING STANDARD / PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR	13.B.4d.	<p>Analyze local examples of resource use, technology use or conservation programs; document findings; and make recommendations for improvements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 1 Lab 1 Activity 1: Biodegradation in a Landfill • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 1: Modeling a Water Treatment Plant • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 2: Biological Treatment of Pollution • Environmental Issues and Solutions: Unit 4 Lab 12 Activity 3: Evaluating the Health of an Ecosystem • Teacher Resource CD: Environmental Issues