



This suggested pacing guide is based on 300 minutes of weekly instruction for science and social studies (ie. 60 minutes of daily science/social students instruction).

Most units should take about 2 weeks to complete if you are alternating between science and social studies, however teachers have the flexibility to pace the units as needed for their students. Cross-curricular integration is encouraged to help students make real life connections and maximize instructional opportunities.

1st Nine Weeks			
Social Studies: Unit 1	Science: Unit 1	Social Studies: Unit 2	Science: Unit 2
Geography of Virginia VS.2abc	Weather 4.4	VA's Native Peoples VS.2defg	Virginia Natural Resources 4.8
Holidays: Labor Day; Constitution Day; Columbus Day			

2nd Nine Weeks			
Social Studies: Unit 3	Social Studies: Unit 4	Science: Unit 3	Social Studies: Unit 5
Jamestown VS.3	Colonial Virginia VS.4	Ecosystems 4.3	American Revolution VS.5
Holidays: Veterans Day; Thanksgiving; Martin Luther King, Jr. Day			

3rd Nine Weeks				
Social Studies: Unit 6	Science: Unit 4	Social Studies: Unit 7	Science: Unit 5	Social Studies: Unit 8
A New Nation VS.6	Oceans 4.7	Civil War VS.7	Earth, Moon, and Sun Systems 4.6	Reconstruction VS.8
Holidays: Presidents' Day				

4th Nine Weeks				
Social Studies: Unit 9	Science: Unit 6	Social Studies: Unit 10	Social Studies Review	Science: Unit 7
20th Century Virginia and Beyond VS.9	Planets 4.5	Government, Products, and Industries VS.10	Comprehensive SOL Review, Performance Task(s), and catch up!	Plants and Animals 4.2
Holidays: Memorial Day; Independence Day; Juneteenth				