



Social Studies			
Understands and applies key concepts <ul style="list-style-type: none">Student demonstrates an understanding of the major concepts through classroom discussion and written responses. Students make connections across the curriculum.			
Beginning	Approaching	Meeting	Exceeding
The student shows some evidence of understanding the major concepts and is able to make connections with significant teacher assistance.	The student shows evidence of understanding the major concepts and can independently make connections across the curriculum.	The student generates higher level questions and summarizes major concepts.	The student generates higher level questions about the major concepts and synthesizes ideas across the curriculum.





Social Studies

Understands and applies key vocabulary

- Student demonstrates an understanding of the major vocabulary by using key words during classroom discussion and written responses.

Assessment Opportunities

- Whole group lessons/activities
- Cooperative/Individual projects

Beginning	Approaching	Meeting	Exceeding
The student shows some application of key vocabulary.	The student uses major vocabulary during classroom discussion and written responses but needs significant teacher assistance.	The student independently uses major vocabulary during classroom discussion and written responses.	The student independently applies key vocabulary across the curriculum. The student generates synonyms and antonyms for key vocabulary. Student is able to use precise terminology related to the content area.