5th Grade: Human Action and the Watershed

Garden of the Salish Sea Curriculum (GSSC) Modified Julie Hirsch and Lindsey Parker (GSSC), Amy Keiper, BES 5th grade





Overview of Unit Progression:

Required Classroom Lessons Before Beach Exploration		
Lesson 1. Introduction to the Salish Sea	General education classroom teacher	
<u>Lesson 2. Watersheds</u>		
Lesson 3. Drayton Harbor Oysters and Salish Sea Challenge		
Lesson 4. Eat or Be Eaten		
Lesson 5. Clam Identification and Beach Exploration Prep	Lindsey Parker (GSSC educator) 45 minutes classroom lesson	

Optional Teacher Extension Lessons		
Fall: Live Tank and Shellfish Around the World (SS)	45 minutes	
Fall: Oysters in the Chesapeake "Close-Read" (SS/ELA)	Teacher determined	
Types of Water Pollution	65 minutes	
The Intertidal Biome Worldwide	65 minutes	
Spat, What's That?	60 minutes	
Cain Creek Walk	20 minutes	

Blaine Harbor Exploration Rotations		
Blaine Harbor Field Exploration	Taught by GSSC leaders on at Blaine Harbor. Rotations last 30 minutes each. Event time: 1 hour plus walk Location: Blaine Harbor	
Tangled in the Food Web		





Beach Exploration Rotations		
11. Microscopy	Taught by GSSC leaders on the beach.	
12. Oyster Anatomy	Rotations last 30 minutes each. Event time: 4-5 hrs Location: Birch Bay State Park	
13. Marine Foods and Resources		
14. Beach Exploration		
15. Clam Survey		

Required Post Lessons		
<u>Unit Reflection Survey</u>	5 minutes	

GSSC currently drafting:

• Assessment and Action Project: Social Studies OSPI CBA "You Decide"

Integrated Environmental and Sustainability Science Standards

(OSPI): Standard 1: Ecological, Social, and Economic Systems Standard 2: The Natural and Built Environment Standard 3: Sustainability and Civic Responsibility

GLAD Strategies Referenced: TPR: Total Physical Response: to learn a vocabulary word, student say a short phrase and include a motion. CCD: Cognitive Content Dictionary (GLAD strategy for learning vocabulary).

**Optional Additional Cross Curricular Connection: read chapters Joseph Gados "Explore the Salish Sea" during an outside reading time.

Student Worksheets & Notebooks:

The purpose of worksheets are defined in each lesson, teachers should read ahead and determine if they'd like to print these or complete the task in a journal. One of the goals of this modified unit is to minimize paper. Student worksheets can be printed out before each lesson and stored in individual student folders, or glued into a composition book. The cover is a picture of the Salish Sea that could be printed in color and glued as an introductory page or cover to each student notebook or folder.



