**Grades 3–5**

### Core Concepts of Technology and Engineering

**3.5.3-5.BB Technology and Engineering:** Students who demonstrate understanding can illustrate how, when parts of a system are missing, it may not work as planned.

- **Clarifying Statement:** A computer does not work when the power fails or when the battery has been removed.
- **Assessment Boundary:** N/A

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<td>Constructing explanations and designing solutions in 3–5 builds on K–2 experiences and progresses to the use of evidence in constructing explanations that specify variables that describe and predict phenomena and in designing multiple solutions to design problems.</td>
<td>- Research on a problem should be carried out before beginning to design a solution. Testing a solution involves investigating how well it performs under a range of likely conditions.</td>
<td>- Provides examples of how human-designed products are connected.</td>
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<td>- Construct an explanation of observed relationships (e.g., the distribution of plants in the back yard).</td>
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**Pennsylvania Context:** Examples of Pennsylvania context include but are not limited to manufacturing businesses.

**Pennsylvania Career Ready Skills:** Identify consequences of a decision to oneself and others prior to action.

**Connections to Other Standards Content and Practices**
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| **PA Core Standards: Reading and Writing in Science and Technical Areas** | **CC.1.2.3.G:** Use information gained from text features to demonstrate understanding of a text.  
**CC.1.2.4.G:** Interpret various presentations of information within a text or digital source and explain how the information contributes to an understanding of text in which it appears.  
**CC.1.2.5.G:** Draw on information from multiple print or digital sources, demonstrating the ability to locate an answer to a question quickly or to solve a problem efficiently.  
**CC.1.4.3.V:** Conduct short research projects that build knowledge about a topic.  
**CC.1.4.4.V:** Conduct short research projects that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.  
**CC.1.4.5.V:** Conduct short research projects that use several sources to build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.  
**CC.1.4.3.W:** Recall information from experiences or gather information from print and digital sources; take brief notes on sources and sort evidence into provided categories.  
**CC.1.4.4.W:** Recall relevant information from experiences or gather relevant information from print and digital sources; take notes and categorize information, and provide a list of sources.  
**CC.1.4.5.W:** Recall relevant information from experiences or gather relevant information from print and digital sources; summarize or paraphrase information in notes and finished work, and provide a list of sources. |
| **PA Core Practices: Math**                         | **MP.2:** Reason abstractly and quantitatively.  
**MP.4:** Model with mathematics.  
**MP.5:** Use appropriate tools strategically. |
| **Science, Technology & Engineering, and Environmental Literacy & Sustainability Academic Standards** | N/A |