

Grade 2

3.1.2.C Life Science: Biological Evolution: Unity and Diversity

Students who demonstrate understanding can make observations of plants and animals to compare the diversity of life in different habitats.

Clarifying Statement: Emphasis is on the diversity of living things in each of a variety of different habitats.

Assessment Boundary: Assessment does not include specific animal and plant names in specific habitats.

Science and Engineering Practices (SEP)	Disciplinary Core Ideas (DCI)	Crosscutting Concepts (CCC)
Planning and Carrying Out Investigations	Biodiversity and Humans	N/A
Planning and carrying out investigations to answer questions or test solutions to problems in K–2 builds on prior experiences and progresses to simple investigations, based on fair tests, which provide data to support explanations or design solutions.	 There are many different kinds of living things in any area, and they exist in different places on land and in water. 	
 Make observations (firsthand or from media) to collect data that can be used to make comparisons. 		
Connections to Nature of Science		
Scientific Knowledge Is Based on Empirical Evidence		
 Scientists look for patterns and order when making observations about the world. 		

Pennsylvania Context: Examples of Pennsylvania context could include the diverse habitats across Pennsylvania from wetlands and forests to urban habitats such as cemeteries, parks, and subterranean locations.

PA Career Ready Skills: Demonstrate respect for the uniqueness of others.

Connections to Other Standards Content and Practices

Standard Source	Possible Connections to Other Standard(s) or Practice(s)
Agriculture (AFNR)	CS.02.02.01.a: Identify and summarize the components within AFNR systems (e.g., Animal Systems: health, nutrition, genetics, etc.; Natural Resources Systems: soil, water, etc.).
Science, Environmental Literacy and Sustainability (NAAEE)	K-4 Strand 1.C. Collecting information: Learners locate and collect information about the environment and environmental topics.

Science, Technology & Engineering, and Environment Literacy & Sustainability (STEELS)



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PA Core Standards: ELA	CC.1.4.2.V: Participate in individual or shared research and writing projects. CC.1.4.2.W: Recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.	
PA Core Standards and Practices: Math	MP.2: Reason abstractly and quantitatively. MP.4: Model with mathematics. CC.2.4.2.A.4: Represent and interpret data using line plots, picture graphs, and bar graphs.	
PA Standards: Social Studies	7.3.2.A: Identify the effect of local geography on the residents of the region. (e.g., food, clothing, industry, trade, types of shelter, etc.)	
Educational Technology (ISTE)	1.3. Knowledge Constructor: Students critically curate a variety of resources using digital tools to construct knowledge, produce creative artifacts and make meaningful learning experiences for themselves and others.	
Technology and Engineering (ITEEA)	STEL-1A: Compare the natural world and human-made world.	