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- Builds on **students'** prior knowledge and experiences
- **Students** use evidence to revise their thinking
- **Students** figure out ideas as a classroom community



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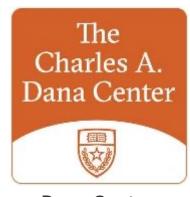






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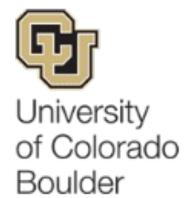




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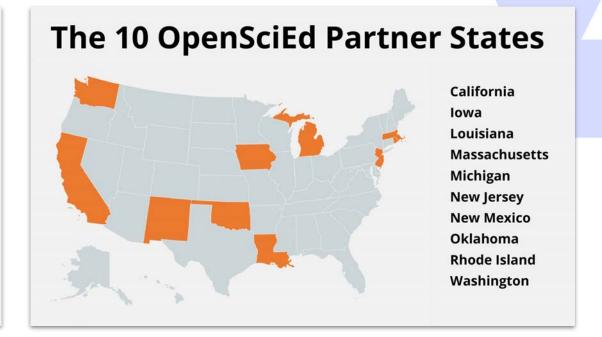
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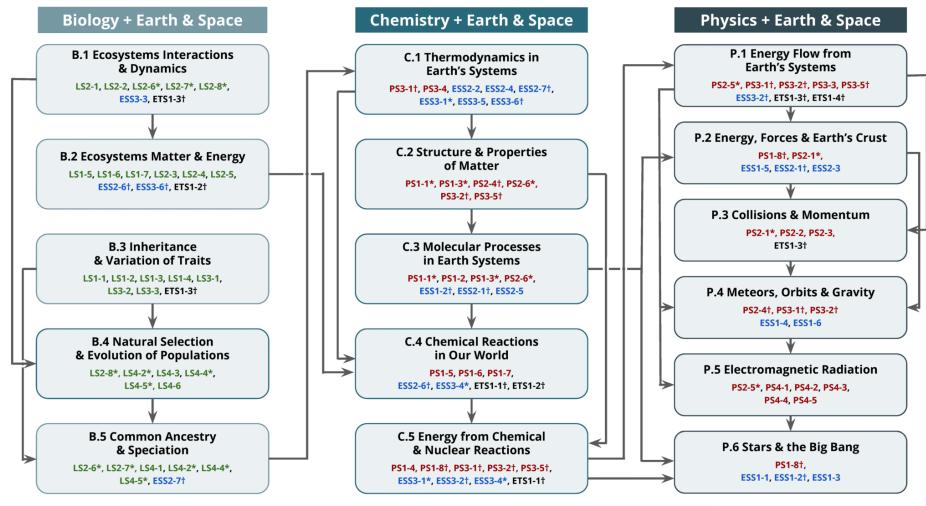








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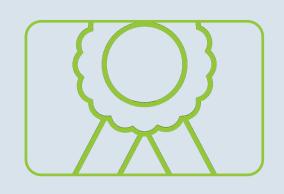
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Carolina Development Focus

Ease of Use

Redesign the Teacher Guide Reengineer labs and materials Add digital resources and support

Less Prep and Instruction Time

Simplify procedures with new or improved materials Convert some labs to demo or video Add teacher prep videos

Reduce Cost of Kits

Fewer materials Less expensive materials Digital options

Add Safety Measures

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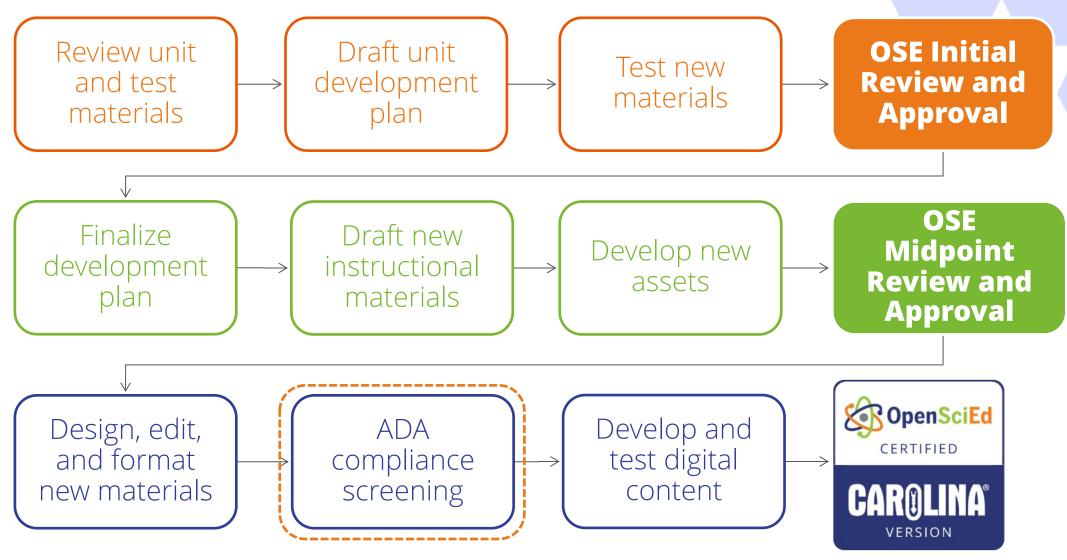
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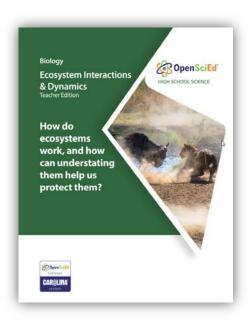




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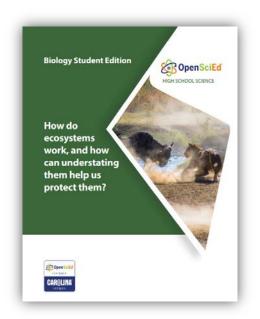


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- Reformatted to traditional portrait format
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- Improved layout, labeling, callouts, and images that are easy to read
- ADA compliant

STUDENT EDITION



- Bound print versions of all student resources organized by lesson
- Includes all handouts, references, and readings
- Student Procedures and Assessments available online
- ADA compliant







Redesigned Teacher Edition

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3 · CO-CONSTRUCT COMMUNITY AGREEMENTS

ATERIALS: Community Agreements

Consider why we should establish Community Agreements. Before facilitating the first formal discussion of the unit, take some time to prioritize and establish the classroom community. Navigate to this work with community agreements by saying something like, We have already been working as scientists today as we obtained, evaluated, and communicated information and asked questions. Over the course of the school year, we will engage in these and other science practices together. Those can be difficult tasks, and we will need to practice them together. Scientific work is rarely done alone, and my goal for this class is to have us build a community where we can figure things out together.

Display slide G. Direct students to stop and jot their responses to these prompts in their notebooks:*

- What are you hoping to get out of this class?
- How can working together help us get farther than we would on our own?
- . What barriers may come up that would make it difficult for us to:
 - build a community?
 - accomplish our goals, both as individuals and as a class?
- How can we plan to address these barriers?

Develop community agreements. Distribute Community Agreements to each student and give them some individual time to fill in their ideas. Then discuss as a class and build a class set of agreements together.

ALTERNATE ACTIVITY

When setting up learning community agreements, students should understand how agreements help everyone in the community to know what is expected of them. Here are two approaches to setting up community agreements:

- Co-construct agreements with students (the default approach using Community Agreements or something similar). Explain what agreements are and why we need them for productive science talk and classroom culture. Have students co-construct agreements. As the teacher, you can add agreements that may be missing from the list. Be sure to explain to students how you think the agreement you added is helpful so that they are clear about why you are adding it to the list.
- Give students a set of agreements as a starting point (the alternate approach). Share a set of
 community agreements with students and provide space for students to edit or add to the
 agreements if they believe something is missing.

Consider the following questions, which can help you determine which approach is best for your situation:

- Do you want students to participate in co-constructing the agreements?
- . Do you want the same set of agreements for every section of science you teach?
- Do you want to work with your team teachers to establish a shared set of agreements for students across all your classes?
- . What kinds of consequences will you enforce if students do not follow the agreements?

* ATTENDING TO EQUITY

Building classroom culture: It is important to use this norm-building time to begin to cultivate an equitable learning community that promotes trusting and caring relationships. The community agreements should reinforce to students the value of (1) the diversity of thought among all classroom community members in pushing our learning forward and (2) providing a safe learning environment that ensures fair participation. In addition, classroom agreements should interrupt cultural norms or stereotypes that could make science experiences feel uncomfortable for some students (e.g., as being someone who is not intelligent enough to think like a scientist. who cannot do the relevant math, who cannot share their thinking). Example community agreements can be found in Example Community Agreements Your version of the agreements should use wording and ideas co-constructed with your class.

4 · FACILITATE AN INITIAL IDEAS DISCUSSION ABOUT CONSERVATION CRITERIA

MATERIALS: science notebook, whiteboard or chart paper, chart paper markers

Facilitate an Initial Ideas Discussion. * Display slide H. Call on one group to share their list of criteria and publically record it on the whiteboard. Ask each additional group to indicate which criteria they have in common by adding a checkmark next to that criteria and add any new criteria to the list.

* STRATEGIES FOR THIS INITIAL IDEAS DISCUSSION

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LEARNING PLAN

3 Co-Construct Community Agreements 10 min.

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Unit B.1 Ecosystems Interactions & Dynamics









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LEARNING PLAN for LESSON 1

1 · INTRODUCE PHENOMENON-BASED LEARNING AND THE 30 BY 30 INITIATIVE

Introduce phenomenon-based learning. Introduce the idea of phenomena-based learning. Say, Our work in class this year is going to center on our questions about phenomena--events or things we can observe but not yet completely explain. Each unit will be anchored by a phenomenon, and the questions you all have about it will drive our work in this class for weeks to come as we try to figure them out. This may be different from other classes where someone taught you new ideas right away. As your questions will drive the direction of our work in this class, we are going to spend a few class periods exploring a phenomenon, trying to develop initial explanations about it, and considering other experiences we have had that could be related to it. This will help us pull different ideas and perspectives in and develop questions that reflect what we are all curious about.

Introduce the 30 by 30 Initiative. Display slide A. Say, In 2021, the US Office of the President issued an executive order setting a goal of conserving 30% of land and water in the United Stated by 2030. This is a movement happening in the US and beyond. Currently, at least 95 other countries have committed to this goal as well.

ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE

If students experienced OpenSciEd Unit 7.5: How does changing an ecosystem affect what lives there? (Palm Oil Unit), then they are familiar with conservation in the context of orangutans living in protected areas and oil palm farms. Students identified evidence and developed land use plans and PSAs to aid interest holders in decision-making. They also took an action within their community to address a local challenge, such as habitat restoration, monitoring biodiversity, or communicating with interest holders.

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Share additional data. Display slide B. Explain to students that a national survey of American voters was conducted, and the majority of voters support the 30 by 30 Initiative. Remind students that many other countries are also committing to this initiative. Although we are focused on US data, it is an international movement.

Introduce Secretary of the Interior, Deb Haaland. Display slide C. Explain to students that Secretary Haaland is in charge of the Department of the Interior. The Department of the Interior is responsible for protecting and managing natural resources and cultural heritage in the US.

Set up a Notice and Wonder chart and watch video. Display slide D. Direct students to create a T-chart on the first clean page of their science notebooks to record their noticings and wonderings * as they watch a video Secretary Haaland made for Endangered Species Day. The video explains how the 30 by 30 Initiative plans to address issues related to protecting species. Play https://youtu.be/dD3RRX48ods and remind students to keep track of what they notice and wonder in their science notebooks.

ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE

More information can be found about the Department of the Interior at https://www.doi.gov/about and about Secretary Haaland https://www.doi.gov/secretary-deb-haaland

Introduce a reading about the 30 by 30 Initiative. Display slide E. Instruct students to record what they notice and wonder in their science notebooks, Distribute 30 by 30 Initiative. * Give students time to read through the information on their own. Encourage them to mark up the reading using whatever strategy is in place in your classroom.

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* ATTENDING TO EQUITY

Supporting emergent multilinguals Students should be encouraged to record their ideas using linguistic (e.g., written words) and nonlinguistic modes (e.g., photographs, drawings, tables, graphs, mathematical equations, measurements). This is especially important for emergent multilingual students because making connections between written words and nonlinguistic representations helps students generate richer explanations of scientific

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Lesson 1

LEARNING PLAN



1 Introduce Phenomenon-Based Learning and the 30 by 30 Initiative 12 min.

Materials

- science notebook
- 30 by 30 Initiative
- . Deb Haaland Secretary of the Interior

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Simplified Investigations and Materials

"How can we make this lesson easier, reduce cost, and enhance safety?"

- All materials are tested to ensure safety, quality, and accuracy of investigations
- Some materials have been changed to simplify lab setups
- High-quality videos or teacher demonstrations are available to save time or address safety concerns (e.g., open flame)







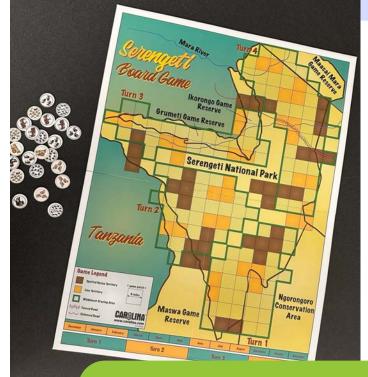


B.1 Ecosystem Interactions & Dynamics

OER Resources:

- Resize and print Gameboard
- Print and cut out Event Cards
- Print and cut out game tokens





Carolina Resources:

- ✓ Prepared materials
- ✓ Cut prep time
- ✓ Better storage option





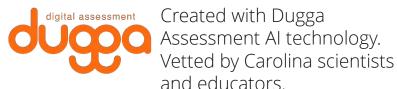
Enhanced Assessment

Question types include:

Multiple choice

OSE B.1 Lesson 3: What do the differences in bone marrow health between live and dead wildebeest indicate?

- A. Nutritional differences impact survival against predation. (Correct)
- B. Environmental temperature changes are the main cause of death.
- C. Age differences solely determine wildebeest's survival chances.
- D. Anthrax is the only factor influencing bone marrow health.







Enhanced Assessment

Question types include:

- Multiple choice
- Evidence-supported response—A scenario or question that provides 3 correct or partially correct responses. Students choose the best response, then support their choice with evidence.

OSE B.1 Lesson 3: What is the significance of bone marrow data in understanding wildebeest migration? Explain your answer with examples.

- 1. Bone marrow data provides the strongest evidence for what causes wildebeest migration, showing a clear difference between the health of living and dead wildebeest.
- 2. Bone marrow data is slightly helpful, but it mainly highlights the differences in age among the wildebeest population.
- 3. Bone marrow data shows no notable differences and is therefore insignificant in understanding wildebeest migration.



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Question types include:

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- Scenario-based free response

OSE B.1 Lesson 3: Your class is comparing and contrasting different data displays related to wildebeest migration. Some groups have organized their data into charts focusing on nutritional health, while others have emphasized predator data or environmental conditions.

- 1. What similarities and differences can you find between data displays focusing on nutritional health versus those focusing on predator data?
- 2. How can contrasting data displays help you draw more comprehensive conclusions about wildebeest migration?
- 3. What criteria should be used to determine what information is included in the final class data display?



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Instructional Routines

Each step is driven by student questions about the phenomenon.

Anchoring Phenomenon Routine

How do we kick off investigations in a unit?

Navigation Routine

How do we work with students to motivate the next step in an investigation?

Investigation Routine

How do we help students use practices to figure out pieces of the science ideas?

Putting the Pieces Together Routine

How do we help student put together pieces of the disciplinary core ideas and crosscutting concepts?

Problematizing Routine

How do we push students to go deeper and revise their science ideas?





OpenSciEd Storyline Instructional Model





We develop questions for the Driving Question Board.



We come to a consensus on what we've flaured out so far.



But new questions emerge through evidence we find.

INVESTIGATION **ROUTINE**

We develop evidence from investigations to explain parts of the phenomena.



QUESTIONS ANSWERED

We've answered many of the questions from our Driving Question Board and are ready to explain some new phenomena.





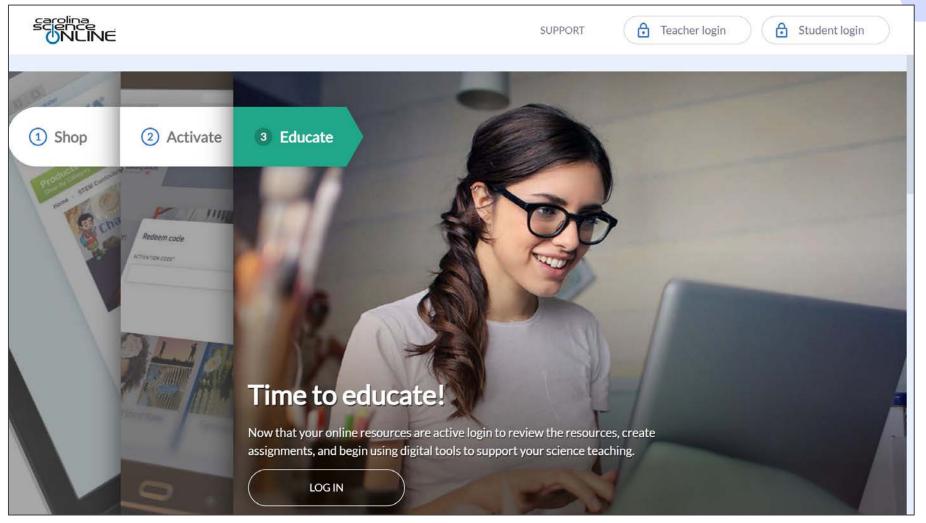




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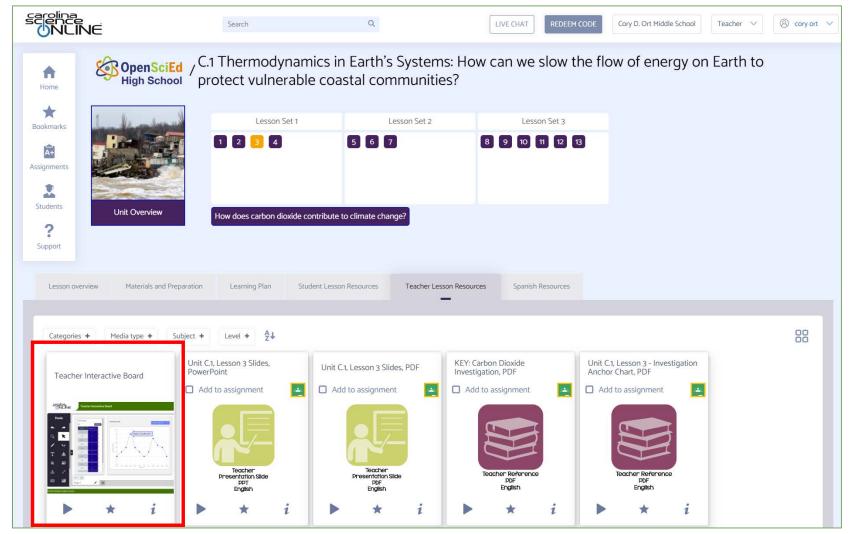








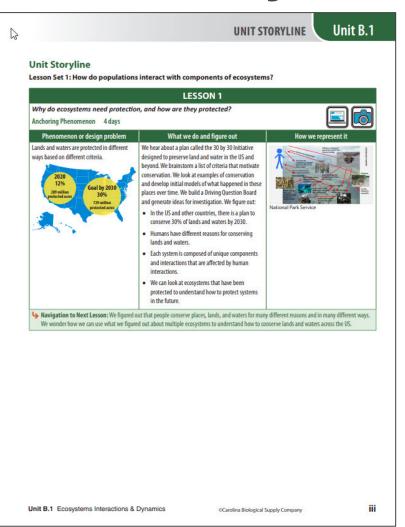
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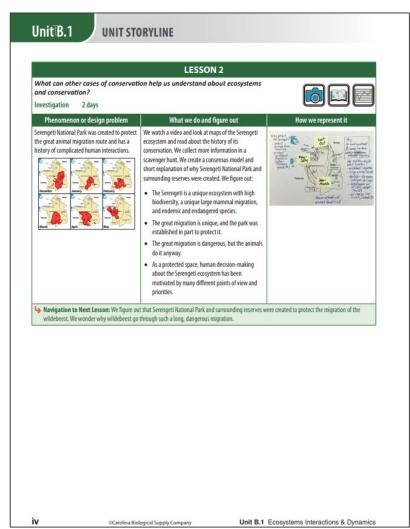


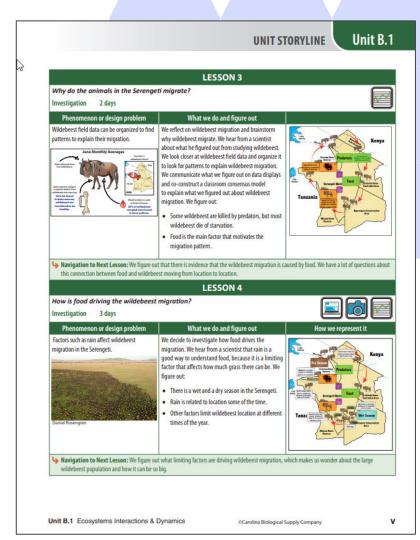




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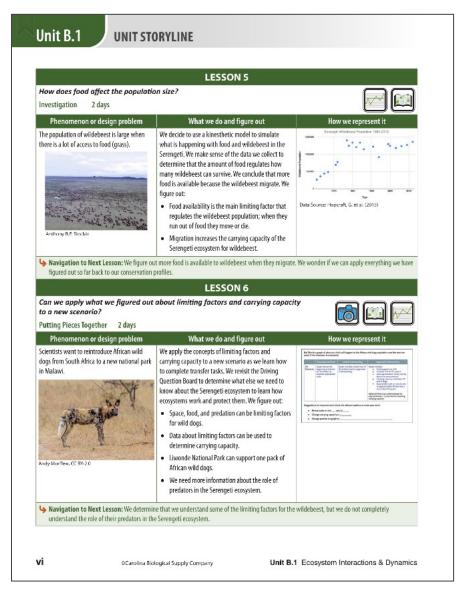








Unit Storyline







Navigate



Turn and Talk

- What did we figure out about how wildebeest are affected by food availability?
- What did the transfer task about the African wild dogs make us wonder about the Serengeti?
- What are some ways we could investigate changes in populations and predators when we cannot be there in real time?

Be prepared to share your ideas with the whole class.





Modeling as a Practice



With Your Class

- How have you developed or used models in the past?
- How did the models help you make sense of what you were figuring out?
- What are the parts of the models that you have included?





What Is Agent-Based Modeling?

Agent-based models are based on computer simulations of complex systems.

They include:

- An environment
- Agents
- Rules that describe how the agents interact with the environment
- Rules that describe how the agents interact with each other





Identify the Parts of Our Model

- What components would the game include if it helped us explain how predators interact with wildebeest in the Serengeti?
- How would some of the components interact with each other?
- How can the model/game help us answer our question?
- If we are going to play this game, what are our next steps?

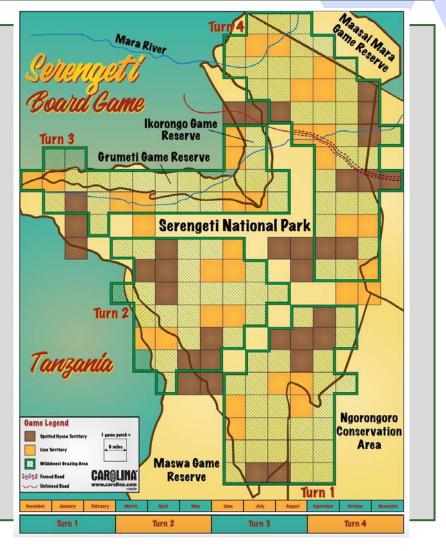




The Serengeti Board Game

Investigation question:

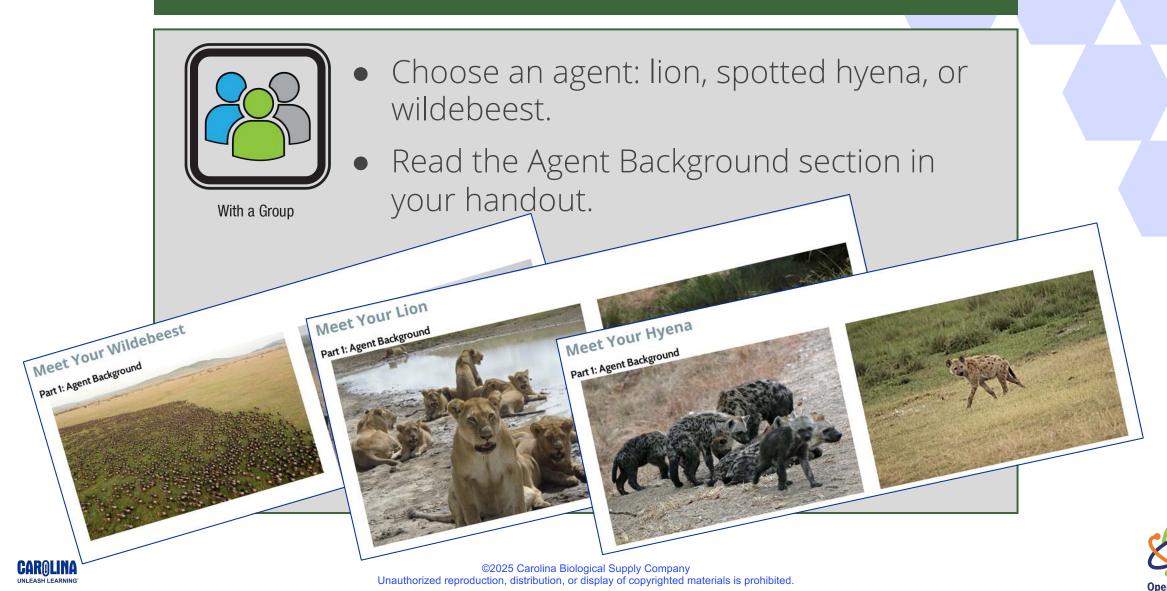
How do predators interact with wildebeest in the Serengeti?







Meet the Agents in the Serengeti Board Game



Meet Your Agent: Initial Conditions



Use the Agent Background to identify the behaviors connected to the initial conditions.

With a Group

Table 1. Initial conditions.

Wildebeest	Initial Conditions	Connected Behaviors
	Look at the game board to decide where to put your tokens. For each turn, there is an area outlined on the game board that shows where the most nutritious grasses are. The wildebeest must stay within these areas. It is okay for wildebeest tokens to be placed within lion or spotted hyena territories. Add 22 tokens to the game board, including: • 12 individual tokens • 6 small group tokens • 4 herd tokens	





Connect the Factors that Led to the Rules



Review the **rules** for your agent, refer back to the Agent Background, and identify the **connected behaviors** that led to the rules.

Science Notebook

Wildebeest	Rule	Connected Behavior
Move	At the start of each turn move all of your tokens to the next turn's green outlined area. Check your tokens. Are all of the wildebeest tokens touching another wildebeest token on at least one side? If not, move your tokens so they are touching.	
Interact with Predators	When a predator attacks, you engage with them by rolling 1-3 dice depending on the token being attacked. Herd = 3 dice Small group = 2 dice	



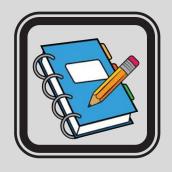


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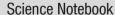


Predict one way your agent will interact with another agent when you play the game.





Record your question in your notebook so you can refer to it later.







Navigate



- What did we figure out yesterday?
- What question did you suggest as our investigation question?

Be prepared to share your ideas with the whole class.





Preparing for Game Play



With Your Class

Which community agreement(s) apply?

Respectful Our classroom is a safe space to share.	
Equitable Everyone's participation and ideas are valuable.	
Committed to Our Community We learn together.	
Moving Our Science Thinking Forward We work together to figure things out.	





Setup of Serengeti Board Game







The Serengeti Game Instructions: Game Overview

- 1. The Serengeti Board Game is designed for 3 players (or 3 teams if more than 3 people are playing the game). This game has no winning or losing; the purpose is to simulate wildebeest population change due to predator-prey interactions and migration patterns.
- 2. Each player in the game takes on the role of one of the agents: lion, hyena, or wildebeest.
- 3. The game consists of 4 turns (or seasons). Each turn has 4 events:
 - a. Wildebeest migrate to new seasonal location. (This does not happen in the first turn.)
 - b. Each player pulls an Event Card (in this order: wildebeest \rightarrow hyena \rightarrow lion) and follows the directions.
 - c. Hyenas hunt wildebeest using the dice to determine the results.
 - d. Lions hunt wildebeest using the dice to determine the results.
- 4. Gameplay ends after completing all 4 turns or seasons of the year (winter, spring, summer, fall).

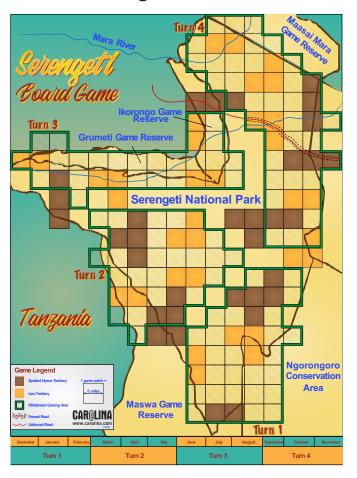
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Game Setup: Serengeti Game Materials

Serengeti Game Board



22 Wildebeest Tokens



28 Lion Tokens







16 Event Cards

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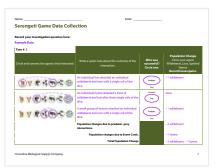


6 Dice

3 red and 3 white



Game Data Collection Handout



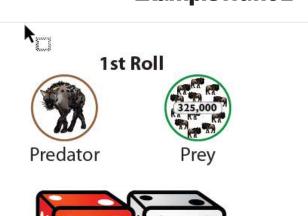




How to Roll the Dice in a Hunt

Example Hunt 2 - Individual predator vs. herd of wildebeest

2nd Roll

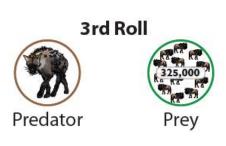


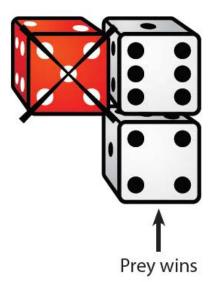


The two highest dice are tied. Since the predator only has one dice, all die are rolled again.



The predator's die is higher than the prey's highest. One predator's die is eliminated.





The predator's die is lower than the prey's and removed, leaving no predator dice remaining.





Instructions for Each Turn

- Draw Event Card.
- Hyenas hunt, followed by lions.
- Make sure you know how to roll the dice in a hunt.
- Record your observations in your Data Table.







Data Collection

Serengeti Game Data Collection

Record your investigation question here:

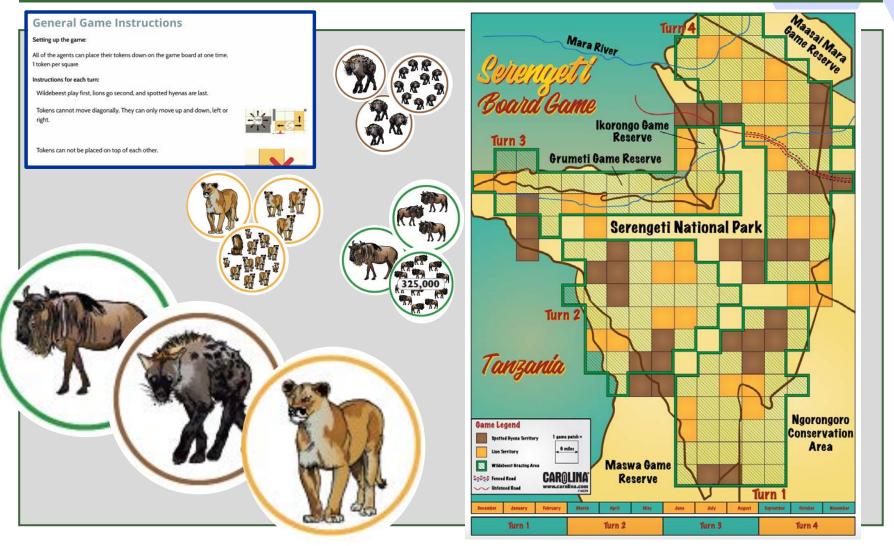
Example Data

Turn # 2			
Circle and connect the agents that interacted.	Write a quick note about the outcome of the interaction.	Who was successful? Circle one.	Population Change Circle your agent. Wildebeest, Lion, Spotted Hyena Record losses/gains.
	An individual lion attacked an individual wildebeest and won with a single roll of the dice.	Predator Prey	– 1 wildebeest
	An individual hyena attacked a herd of wildebeest and lost after three single rolls of the dice.	Predator	none
	A small group of hyenas attacked an individual wildebeest and won with a single roll of the dice.	Predator Prey	– 1 wildebeest
	Population changes due to predator–prey interactions.		– 2 wildebeest
Population changes due to Event Cards.			– 1 hyena
		– 2 wildebeest, – 1 hyena	





Play the Serengeti Board Game







Navigate



Exit Ticket

How will the data you collected help you answer your investigation question?





Navigate



Turn and Talk

What was your main takeaway from playing the game?

How will the data collected help you answer your investigation question?

How can we make sense of the data?



ideal

Be prepared to share your ideas with the whole class.









Analyze Data of Game Play



Complete your **Data Analysis** handout individually and then share your ideas with your game group.

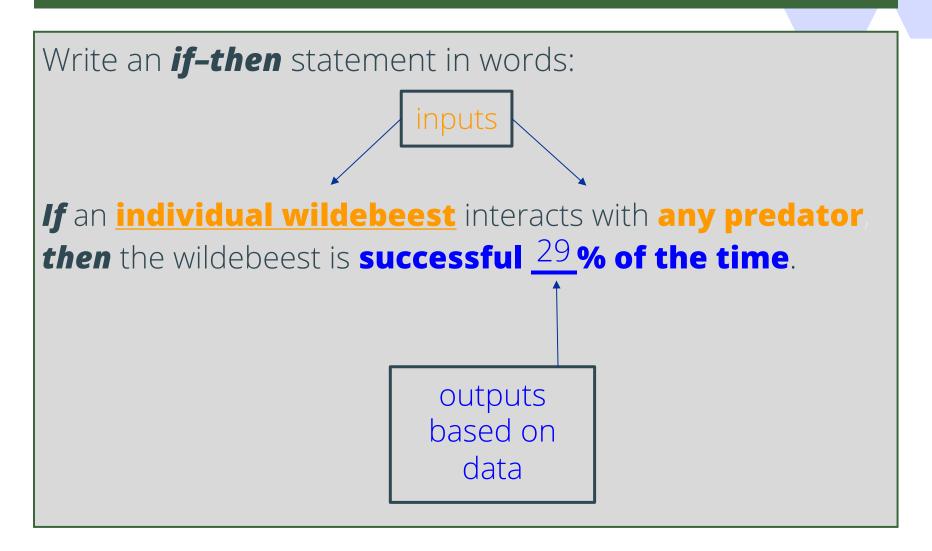
Group Size	Number of interactions	Number of successful interactions	% of time successful
Individual	7	2	29%

% time successful = # times successful x 100 total # of interactions





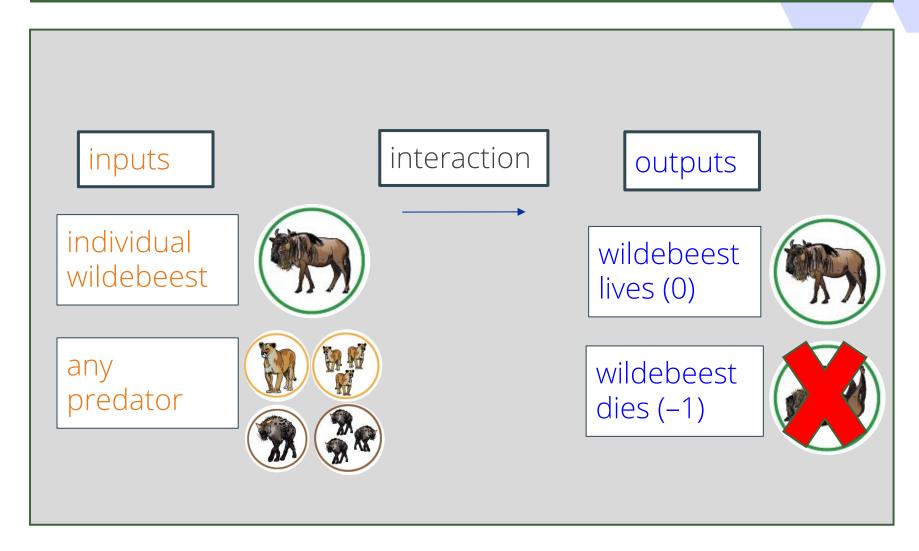
Writing Algorithms







Develop a System Model







Writing Numeric Algorithms

If an individual wildebeest interacts with any predator, then the wildebeest is successful 29% of the time.

inputs

interaction

outputs

wildebeest

lives (0)

predator

dies (-1)

If wildebeest = 1 and predator = 1 and 2, then wildebeest 0 (.29)

OR

If wildebeest = 1 and predator = 1 and 2, then wildebeest -1 (.71)





Building Understandings Discussion



Scientists Circle

- What accounted for differences in the outcomes during interactions between predators and prey?
- When an agent was successful, how could its success impact the rest of the group?
- Did evidence from other agents' algorithms support similar or different conclusions?
- What kinds of limitations did you discover in the model?





Add to the Personal Glossary



Science Notebook

What idea have we co-constructed that we want to have consensus on?

<u>Personal Glossary</u>	





Navigate



Turn and Talk

Now that we have figured out that group behavior increases survival for wildebeest and their predators, what new questions do you have about the Serengeti system?

How can we investigate those components?

Be prepared to share these with the whole class.





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