Grade 5 POI 2024 - 2025

Grade 5	who we are An inquiry into the nature of the self; beliefs and values; personal, physical, mental, social and spiritual health; human relationships including families, friends, communities, and cultures; rights and responsibilities; what it means to be human.	WHERE WE ARE IN PLACE & TIME An inquiry into orientation in place and time; personal histories; homes and journeys; the discoveries, explorations and migrations of humankind; the relationships between and the interconnectedness of individuals and civilizations, from local and global perspectives.	HOW WE EXPRESS CURSELVES An inquiry into the ways in which we discover and express ideas, feelings, nature, culture, beliefs and values; the ways in which we reflect on, extend and enjoy our creativity; our appreciation of the aesthetic.	HOW THE WORLD WORKS An inquiry into the natural world and its laws; the interaction between the natural world (physical and biological) and human societies; how humans use their understanding of scientific principles; the impact of scientific and technological advances on society and on the environment.	HOW WE ORGANIZE OURSELVES An inquiry into the interconnectedness of human-made systems and communities; the structure and function of organizations; societal decision-making; economic activities and their impact on humankind and the environment.	SHARING THE PLANET An inquiry into rights and responsibilities in the struggle to share finite resources with other people and with other living things; communities and the relationships within and between them; access to equal opportunities; peace and conflict resolution
Central Idea	People can take ownership of their learning by thinking in a range of ways.	Space exploration leads to discoveries, opportunities and new understanding.	Advertising creates messages to influence individuals and societies.	Human lives are impacted by natural disasters.	Industrialization affects the evolution of a society.	Human actions challenge our oceans' ecosystems.
An inquiry into	-Different learning styles. (Perspective) -The way the brain works. (Function) -The actions humans can do to take ownership of their learning. (Responsibility)	-The role of space exploration. (Function) -The discoveries that took place over time. (Change) -The consequences of space exploration. (Causation)	-The purposes of advertising. (Function) -The effects of advertising on societies and individuals (Causation) -Individuals' interpretations of advertising. (Perspective)	The different types of natural disasters. (Form) -The causes of natural disasters. (Causation) -The connection between natural disasters and people's lives (Connection)	-The transitions during the industrialization period. (Change) -The consequences of industrialization on society. (Causation) -Different perspectives on industrialization. (Perspective)	-Ecosystems of the oceans.(Form) -The interaction between human behaviours and ocean ecosystems. (Connection) -Our responsibility in protecting ocean ecosystems. (Responsibility)
Key concepts	function, perspective, responsibility	function, change, causation.	function, causation, perspective	form, causation, connection	perspective, causation, change	form, connection, responsibility
Learner Profile Attributes	Balanced, Risk-Takers	Knowledgeable, Reflective	Thinkers, Open-Minded	Inquirers, Communicators	Communicators, Principled	Inquirers, Caring
Approaches to Learning	Social, Self-management	Research, Thinking	Self-management, Social	Research, Communication	Thinking, Research	Thinking, Communication