

Unit Title: Communication		
Historical Perspective		
State of Michigan Benchmarks	Lesson From Unit	Key Teaching Points
1.1.1 Use analog and digital clocks to tell time.	Lesson 12--Mass Media Decisions	Log TV Viewing
1.1.2. Use weeks, months and years as intervals of time.	Lesson 4--Personal Communication	Mailing A Letter, E-Mail
1.1.3 Distinguish among the past, present and future.	Lesson 3--Changes Over Time Lesson 4--Personal Communication Lesson 5--Mass Communication Lesson 8--Signs & Symbols	Timeline Letter Delivery, Book Making History Of TV & Radio Communication Throughout Time
1.1.4 Place events of their lives and the lives of others in chronological order.	Lesson 4--Personal Communication Lesson 5--Mass Communication	Letter Delivery, Book Making History Of TV & Radio
1.2.1 Identify who was involved, what happened and where it happened in stories about the past.	Lesson 3--Changes Over Time Lesson 5--Mass Communication	Timeline History Of TV & Radio
1.2.3 Recount events from simple biographies of women and men representing a variety of societies from the past.	Lesson 4--Personal Communication Lesson 5--Mass Communication	Alexander Graham Bell Hertz & Marconi
1.2.4 Identify and explain how individuals in history demonstrated good character and personal virtue.	Lesson 4--Personal Communication Lesson 5--Mass Communication	Alexander Graham Bell Hertz & Marconi
1.3.1 Use a variety of records to construct a narrative about their personal or family histories.		
1.4.1 Recall situations in their lives that required decisions and evaluate the decisions made in light of their consequences.	Lesson 10--Responsible Citizens Lesson 11--Decision Making: Communicate A Cause Lesson 12--Mass Media Decisions	Prejudice & Discrimination Helping Others Monitoring TV Usage
1.4.2 Evaluate decisions made by others as reported in stories about the past.	Lesson 4--Personal Communication Lesson 5--Mass Communication	Alexander Graham Bell Hertz & Marconi
Geographic Perspective		
2.1.1 Describe the human characteristics of places and explain some basic causes for those characteristics.	Lesson 2--Means And Functions	Ways To Communicate
2.1.2 Describe the natural characteristics of places and explain some basic causes for those characteristics.	Lesson 2--Means And Functions	Ways To Communicate
2.2.1 Describe how people use the environment to meet human needs and wants.		
2.2.2 Describe the ways in which their environment has been changed by people and the ways their lives are affected by the environment.		

2.2.3 Suggest ways the people can help improve their environment.		
2.3.1 Identify locations of significance in their immediate environment and explain reasons for their locations.		
2.3.2 Identify people and places in other locations and explain their importance to the community.	Lesson 6--Television Station	View Careers And Technology
2.4.1 Identify regions in their immediate environment and describe its characteristics and boundaries.		

Civic Perspective

3.1.2 Describe consequences of not having rules.		
3.2.1 Identify aspects of life at school and in the local community that illustrate justice and freedom.	Lesson12--Mass Media Decisions	Choosing TV Shows
3.3.1 Explain how conflicts at school might be resolved in ways that are consistent with core democratic values.		
3.4.1 Identify rules at school and in the local community and consider consequences for breaking the rules.		
3.4.2 Describe fair ways for groups to make decisions.		
3.4.3 Describe ways that individuals influence each other.	Lesson 10--Responsible Citizens	Discrimination And Prejudice
3.5.1 Distinguish between events in this country and events abroad.	Lesson 9--Languages	Languages Around The World

Economic Perspective

4.1.1 Identify ways families produce and consume goods and services.	Lesson 2--Means And Functions Lesson12--Mass Media Decisions	Letters, TV, Newspapers, E-Mail TV, Radio, Billboards, Music Recording
4.1.2 List ways that individuals can conserve limited resources.		
4.3.2 Identify goods and services their school provides and the people who provide them.		
4.4.1 Identify examples of markets they experience in their daily lives.	Lesson 2--Means And Functions Lesson12--Mass Media Decisions	Mail Delivery, Telephone & Internet
4.4.Lesson 2--Means and Functions Distinguish between producers and consumers in a market economy.	Lesson 2--Means And Functions Lesson12--Mass Media Decisions	Mail Delivery, Telephone & Internet
4.5.1 Recognize economic exchanges in which they participate.	Lesson 2--Means And Functions	Letters, TV, Newspapers, E-Mail

	Lesson12--Mass Media Decisions	TV, Radio, Billboards, Music Recording
4.5.2 Identify U.S. coin and currency denominations and describe the role of cash in the exchange of goods and services.		
Inquiry		
5.1.1 Locate information using people, books, audio/video recordings, photos, simple maps, graphs and tables.	Lesson 8--Signs & Symbols	Learning About Non-Verbal Communication
5.1.2 Acquire information from observation of the local environment.	Lesson 6--Television Station	How A TV Station Helps The Community
5.1.3 Organize information to make and interpret simple maps of their local surroundings and simple graphs and tables of social data drawn from their experience.		
5.2.1 Pose a question about life in their school or local community.	Lesson 11--Decision Making: Communicate A Cause	Choose A Cause To Publicize
5.2.2 Gather and analyze information in order to answer the question posed.	Lesson 11--Decision Making: Communicate A Cause	Choose A Cause To Publicize
5.2.3 Construct an answer to the question posed and support their answer with evidence.	Lesson 11--Decision Making: Communicate A Cause	Choose A Cause To Publicize
5.2.4 Report the results of their investigation.	Lesson 11--Decision Making: Communicate A Cause	Choose A Cause To Publicize
Discourse & Decision Making		
6.1.1 Pose a question about a matter of public concern that they have encountered in school or in the local community.	Lesson 11--Decision Making: Communicate A Cause	Choose A Cause To Publicize
6.2.1 Engage each other in conversations about issues pertaining to governing their school and classroom and families.	Lesson12--Mass Media Decisions	Monitor And Control TV Viewing
6.3.1 Compose brief statements expressing a decision on an issue in the school or classroom.	Lesson 11--Decision Making: Communicate A Cause	
Citizen Involvement		
7.1.1 Help to determine, interpret and enforce school rules.	Lesson 10--Responsible Citizens	Fighting Prejudice
7.1.2 Participate in projects designed to help others in their local community.	Lesson 11--Decision Making: Communicate A Cause	Choose A Cause To Publicize