Gr. 6 - Understanding Matter & Energy

Electricity and Electrical Devices

Easy Electromagnet

Specific Expectations: 2.1 Follow established safety procedures for wor	king with electricity					
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2.5 Use technological problem-solving skills to design, build, and test a device that transforms electrical energy into another form of energy to perform a function.						
2.6 Use appropriate science and technology vocabulary, including current, battery, circuit, transform, static, electrostatic, and energy, in oral and written communication.						
3.5 Identify ways in which electrical energy is tra	nsformed into other forms of energy.					
3.6 Explain the functions of the components of a	simple electrical circuit.					
Big Idea (for lesson): Students investigate the electromagnetic force by building an electric circuit and experimenting with different materials.						
Accommodations:	Differentiated Instruction:					
	Content: Use demo to show the content as					
	you offer verbal descriptions.					
	Process: Have students work in pairs and					
Chunking	support each other if physical impediments					
⊠ Step-by-Step	exist.					
Scaffolding	Product: Students may show their final					
⊠ Copy of Notes	product in pairs, and communicate their					
Student Grouping	findings either verbally, visually, or through					
	written means.					
	Other:					
Bloom's Taxonomy:	Multiple Intelligence:					
	∀ Verbal/Linguistic					
	□ Logical/Mathematical					
Application	∀ Visual/Spatial					
Analysis	Bodily/Kinesthetic					
Synthesis Synthesis	☐ Naturalist					
Evaluation	Musical/Rhythmic					
	Intrapersonal					

Delivering The Lesson:

Portion &	Grouping:	Introduction:	Materials
Timing			

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Minds On:	W	S		Teacher can do a different	Easy
15 mins				demonstration for static and current	Electromagnet –
				electricity to introduce the lesson:	Static Flyer –
				-Static: show the video, or do the demo	Sick Science!
				as it instructs. Ask the students why the	#132
				balloon is able to levitate (Answer: a	(Towel, bag,
				build-up of static charge on both the bag	balloon)
				and balloon repel each other enough to	Energy Stick
				overcome the force of gravity).	
				-Current: show the students an Energy	
				Stick, first with just you holding it in both	
				hands, then with a pair of students, then	
				with the whole class holding hands to	
				complete the circuit. Ask students why	
				the stick doesn't light up when someone	
				lets go (Answer: there is no longer a path	
				for the electrons to follow, just like if a	
				switch is turned off.)	
Action:	W	S	ı	Have students build their own easy	Easy
15 mins	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	electromagnets according to the	Electromagnet
				instructions on the handout.	Handout
				Teacher can circulate and ask questions	(Materials
				of the different groups:	listed)
				-What do you predict will happen when	,
				the wire is connected to one end of the	
				battery? (Answer: the circuit is open, so	
				there is no closed path for electrons to	
				follow and nothing will happen)	
				-What will happen when the wire is	
				connected to both ends of the battery?	
				(Answer: the circuit is closed, so the	
				electromagnet should work).	
				-Does it matter which end of the battery	
				you connect to the different wires?	
				(Answer: not in this case, but some light	
				bulbs for example have to be connected	
				a certain way.)	
				-Do you think it makes sense that	
				electricity and magnetism are related?	
				(Answer: it may be weird for some, but	
				both fields come down to charges and	
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				forces.)	

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Consolidate:	W	S	- 1	Show the World's Simplest Motor video	Easy
10 mins	\boxtimes			(or do the demo if you have the	Electromagnet –
				materials). You can then ask the class	World's
				why the bottom of the motor spins, and	Simplest Motor
				have them try to draw a circuit diagram	Version 02 –
				of the motor shown.	Sick Science