

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



VIRTUAL LAUNCH PhD SCIENCE® LEVELS K-5

SESSION OBJECTIVES

Participants will

- · learn the importance of allowing students to ask questions and drive learning,
- discover the role of hands-on investigations in building scientific understanding,
- gain confidence implementing a rigorous curriculum that prizes productive struggle,
- investigate how the curriculum helps students build knowledge,
- explore how the curriculum teaches and assesses skills, and
- develop skill in accessing and using the program's resources.

TIME AGENDA DESCRIPTION

PART A		
10 minutes	Launch Session Introduction	Set a purpose for building knowledge throughout the session to focus learning.
55 minutes	Learn I Instructional Shifts and Curriculum Structure	 Identify instructional shifts by studying foundational information on three- dimensional teaching and learning. Examine the curriculum's structure to establish a basis for implementation.
55 minutes	Learn II Module Foundations	 Engage in a sample lesson to build knowledge of anchor visuals and their development process. Analyze a lesson set to discover how the Teacher Edition supports instructional shifts.
60 minutes	Offline Interim Work	 Complete an outline of the module's questioning structure to gain familiarity with the content and progression of the module. Complete a lesson set scavenger hunt to improve navigation of the Teacher Edition and the curriculum.
60 minutes	Offline Lunch	

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PART B		
55 minutes	Learn III Knowledge-Building Investigations	 Explore how learning design elements strengthen students' scientific understanding with hands-on investigations.
		 Experience how the study of scientific phenomena in the lesson set helps explain the anchor phenomenon and supports knowledge building.
		• Determine the role of the teacher as a facilitator to guide student-driven learning.
55 minutes	Learn IV Assessment, Resources, and Materials	 Study the types of three-dimensional assessments that gauge depth of student understanding and knowledge.
		• Explore embedded and supplemental materials and resources that support implementation.
10 minutes	Land Session Close	Solidify key learning and understanding of the session content.