



Experience **Biology**

Upper Level

Scope and Sequence

Lesson 1: Introduction to Biology

- What is biology?
- Scientific investigation
- Limits of the scientific method
- Why is Earth well suited for life?
- Importance of water to life

Lesson 2: The Chemistry of Life

- Cells, molecules, elements, and atoms
- Ionic & covalent bonding
- Organic chemistry — the importance of carbon
- Carbohydrates, lipids, proteins, and nucleic acids

Lesson 3: Cytology

- Discovery of the cell
- Cell theory
- Cell structure: cytomembrane, cytoplasm, organelles, and the nucleus
- Passive and active transport

Lesson 4: Cellular Metabolism Part I

- Heterotrophs & Autotrophs
- Photosynthesis

Lesson 5: Cellular Metabolism Part II

- Cellular energy – ATP
- Cellular respiration
- Aerobic vs anaerobic pathways

Lesson 6: Cellular Metabolism Part III

- Basics of DNA
- Protein Synthesis
 - Replication
 - Transcription
 - Translation

Lesson 7: Life Cycle of the Cell

Mitosis

Meiosis

Lesson 8: Genetics Part I

Mendelian genetics

Law of Segregation

Law of Independent Assortment

Incomplete dominance, co-dominance, multiple alleles, and sex-linked traits

Polygenic inheritance

Lesson 9: Genetics Part II

Functional vs structural genes

Mutations & errors

Variation

Eugenics

Biotechnology

Lesson 10: EXAM 1

Lesson 11: Living Organisms

Classification

Binomial Nomenclature

Overview of 6 Kingdoms

Archaeobacteria

Eubacteria

Plantae

Fungi

Protista

Animalia

Lesson 12: Microbiology

Kingdom Archaeobacteria

Kingdom Eubacteria

Viruses

Lesson 13: Kingdom Protista

Protozoans — animal-like protists

Algae — plant-like protists

The “molds” — fungal-like protists

Lesson 14: Kingdom Fungi

Characteristics of fungus

Structure of fungi

Fungi reproduction

3 main groups of fungus

Zygomycota

Ascomycota

Basidiomycota

Lesson 15: Kingdom Plantae Part I

Characteristics of Plants

Overview of Phyla

Bryophyta

Pteridophyta

Coniferophyta

Anthophyta

Root and shoot system

Tissue types

Plant cells

Lesson 16: Kingdom Plantae Part II

Structure and function of leaves

Review of Photosynthesis

Structure and function of stems

Structure and function of roots

Lesson 17: Kingdom Plantae Part III

Reproductive organs: flowers, fruits, and seeds

Vegetative vs. sexual reproduction

Alternation of generations

Hormones

Tropisms

Photoperiodism

Importance of minerals

Lesson 18: EXAM 2

Lesson 19: Kingdom Animalia

- Characteristics of Kingdom Animalia
- Formation of germ layers
- Vertebrates vs. invertebrates
- Endotherms vs. ectotherms
- Phylum Porifera: the sponges

Lesson 20: The Worms

- Phylum Platyhelminthes: flatworms
- Phylum Nematoda: roundworms
- Phylum Annelida: segmented worms

Lesson 21: Creatures in the sea

- Phylum Cnidaria: jellyfish, hydra, and sea anemones
- Phylum Echinodermata: sea stars, sea urchins, and sea cucumbers

Lesson 22: Phylum Mollusca

- Characteristics of mollusks
- Class Bivalvia: clams, oysters, and mussels
- Class Gastropoda: snails, slugs, and conchs
- Class Cephalopoda: squid, octopus, and nautilus

Lesson 23: Phylum Arthropoda

- Characteristics of arthropods
- Class Insecta (the insects)
- Complete vs. incomplete metamorphosis
- Sub-Phylum Crustacea: crabs, lobster, and crayfish
- Class Arachnid: spiders, scorpions, and mites
- Class Chilopoda & Diplopoda: centipedes and millipedes

Lesson 24: Phylum Chordata Part I

- Characteristics of Chordates
- Sub-Phylum Urochordata: tunicates
- Sub-Phylum Cephalochordata: lancelets
- Sub-Phylum Vertebrates
 - Class Agnatha: jawless fish
 - Class Chondrichthyes: cartilaginous fish
 - Class Osteichthyes: bony fish

Lesson 25: Phylum Chordata Part II

Class Amphibians: salamanders, frogs, and caecilians

Class Reptilia: snakes, lizards, turtles, and alligators

Lesson 26: Phylum Chordata Part III

Class Aves: the birds

Class Mammalia

Lesson 27: EXAM 3

Lesson 28: Human Anatomy Part I

Skeletal System

Muscular System

Lesson 29: Human Anatomy Part II

Circulatory System

Respiratory System

Lesson 30: Human Anatomy Part III

Nervous System

Endocrine System

Lesson 31: Human Anatomy Part IV

Lymphatic System

Immune System

Integumentary System

Lesson 32: Human Anatomy Part V

Digestive System

Excretory System

Lesson 33: Human Anatomy Part VI

Reproductive System

Embryology & Human Development

Lesson 34: Introduction to Ecology

Lesson 35: EXAM 4