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Activity 1.2: Forces of Flight  Physical Science 3.2.6-8.G Apply Newton's Third Law to design a solution to a problem involving the motion of two colliding objects.	<ul> <li>Explore how flight is possible.</li> <li>Investigate Newton's three laws of motion, and how they apply to flight.</li> <li>Examine the four forces of flight: weight, lift, drag, and thrust.</li> </ul>
Activity 1.3: Test Flight  Physical Science 3.2.6-8.G Apply Newton's Third Law to design a solution to a problem involving the motion of two colliding objects.  3.2.6-8.H Plan an investigation to provide evidence that the change in an object's motion depends on the sum of the forces on the object and the mass of the object.	





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Activity 1.4: Drones to the Rescue  Technology and Engineering 3.5.6-8.A Research information from various sources to use and maintain technological products or systems. 3.5.6-8.BB Demonstrate how knowledge gained from other content areas affects the development of technological products and systems.	Explore examples of cutting- edge aircraft and ways drones are used in society.
Activity 1.5: Flight Planning  Technology and Engineering 3.5.6-8.BB Demonstrate how knowledge gained from other content areas affects the development of technological products and systems.	<ul> <li>Use symbols and visual cues to read a map.</li> <li>Explore sectional aeronautical charts.</li> <li>Work in a team to create a flight path, including determining the distance traveled, the fuel necessary, and time the trip will take.</li> </ul>
Activity 1.6: Flight Management	<ul> <li>Investigate the construction and uses of Gantt charts.</li> <li>Use Gantt charts to solve complex problems.</li> <li>Collaborate with a teammate on the use of schedules and charts to handle events at airports.</li> </ul>





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Lesson 2: Space I 16 days Activity 2.1: Explorers of the Universe Technology and Engineering 3.5.6-8.A Research information from various sources to use and maintain technological products or systems. 3.5.6-8.F Analyze examples of technologies that have changed the way people think, interact, live, and communicate. 3.5.6-8.CC Consider historical factors that have contributed to the development of technologies and human progress.	<ul> <li>Explore the history of flight and space flight and travel.</li> <li>Investigate what is currently happening in space flight and travel.</li> </ul>





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Activity 2.4: Out of This World Food  Technology and Engineering  3.5.6-8.BB Demonstrate how knowledge gained from other content areas affects the development of technological products and systems.	<ul> <li>Learn fundamentals of healthy eating during spaceflight and at a future off-Earth colony.</li> <li>Use the astronaut process of food rehydration.</li> <li>Review plant growth data to plan for gardening off-Earth.</li> </ul>
Activity 2.5: Fit For Space  Technology and Engineering 3.5.6-8.E Consider the impacts of a proposed or existing technology and devise strategies for reducing, reusing, and recycling waste caused by its creation. 3.5.6-8.BB Demonstrate how knowledge gained from other content areas affects the	<ul> <li>Learn fundamentals of fitness and rest during spaceflight and at a future off-Earth colony.</li> <li>Simulate exercise in space.</li> <li>Play a game to identify health</li> </ul>

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Lesson 3: Destination: Mars   7 days	
Problem 3.1: Mission to Mars	
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- Apply the knowledge and skills acquired in the unit.
- Engage in problem solving and use creativity when developing solutions.