

**Merced City School District
Fifth Grade Pacing Calendar
2009-2010**

Theme	Selection	Date
Back to School	Back to School/Launch Theme 1	Aug. 17-21
Theme 1: Nature's Fury	Earthquake Terror	Aug. 24-28
Baseline Writing Sample		Aug. 28
	Eye of the Storm: Chasing Storms	Aug. 31-Sept. 4
	Volcanoes	Sept. 8-11 (4 days)
	Focus On Tall Tales/Assess Theme 1	Sept. 14-18
Theme 1 Assessment	HM Skills Test Due	Sept. 18
	Reteach/Launch Theme 2	Sept. 21-25
Theme 2: Give It All You've Got!	Michelle Kwan: Heart of a Champion	Sept. 28-Oct. 2
	La Bamba	Oct. 5-9
	The Fear Place	Oct. 12-16
	Mae Jemison: Space Scientist	Oct. 19-23*
	Focus On Poetry/Assess Theme 2	Oct. 26-30*
Theme 2 Assessment	HM Skills Test Due	October 30
	Reteach/Launch Theme 3	Nov. 2-6
Theme 3: Voices of the Revolution	And Then What Happened, Paul Revere?	Nov. 9-13 (4 days)
	Katie's Trunk	Nov. 16-20
	Thanksgiving Break	Nov. 23-27
	James Forten	Nov. 30-Dec. 4
	Assess Theme 3/Launch Theme 4	Dec. 7-11
Theme 3 Assessment	HM Skills Test Due	Dec. 11
Theme 4: Person to Person	Mariah Keeps Cool	Dec. 14-18
	Winter Break	Dec. 21-Jan. 1
	Mom's Best Friend	Jan. 4-8
	Yang The Second and Her Secret Admirers	Jan. 11-15
	Dear Mr. Henshaw	Jan. 19-22 (4 days)
	Focus on Plays/Assess Theme 4	Jan. 25-29
Theme 4 Assessment	HM Skills Test Due	Feb. 5
Theme 5: One Land	Reteach/Launch Theme 5	Feb. 1-5
	A Boy Called Slow	Feb. 8-12
	February Week Off	Feb. 15-19
	Pioneer Girl	Feb. 22-26
	Black Cowboy, Wild Horses	Mar. 1-5
	Elena	Mar. 8-12*
	Assess Theme 5/Reteach	Mar. 15-19
Theme 5 Assessment	HM Skills Test Due	Mar. 19
Theme 6: Animal	Focus on Autobiography/Launch Theme 6	Mar. 22-26
	The Grizzly Bear Family Book	Mar. 29-Apr. 1
	Spring Break	Apr. 2-9
	The Lion Tamarin Comes Home	Apr. 12-16
	State Test Review	Apr. 19-23
	State Testing Dates	Apr. 26-May 7
	My Side of the Mountain	May 10-14
	My Side, Con't./Assess Theme 6	May 17-21
Theme 6 Assessment	Theme Skills Test (Optional)	May 21

*Parent Conference Minimum Days: Oct. 19-27; March 11-12