**4th GRADE**

ELA – Unit 1

Theme: Plants and Animals

**ELA**  **Music**

Ask/answer questions rhythm-half, quarter, and eighth notes

about informational text pitch-minor tonality

Determine the meaning of meter-4/4

domain specific words

**Common Core and Readiness:**

RI.4.4

**Music Objectives:**

S1.C1.PO3/S2.C1.PO1

Song:

“Ah, Poor Bird” – Old English Melody

Vocabulary: Main vocabulary for lesson: Minor tonality is the sound of music that has la for its tonal center and uses the pitches of a minor scale.

Objective: I can read and sing using pitch syllables.

1. Explain minor tonality.
2. Help students to label minor tonality by playing phrases of major and minor.
3. Read question: “What is an ecosystem’s carrying capacity and how might a population out grow it?” Students discuss and answer. (A carrying capacity is the size of a population that an ecosystem can support. Populations outgrow ecosystems by being too large or by lacking resources. An ecosystem that has too many animals and not enough food.)
4. Review pitch syllables and read and sing using pitch syllables.
5. Assign students to play an accompaniment on Orff instruments and other students to add movement.
6. Sing the song using the text.
7. Review minor tonality and population needs. Students read idea: A carrying capacity is the size of a population that an ecosystem can support.
8. Close: Pair/Share with partner the population needs idea and music term.