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YEAR	2017		2017	2017	2017
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	We need light to see everything we do in every moment of the day	Electrical energy is part of our everyday lives at home, at work and at school	Australia has a political and a legal system	Living things have structural features and adaptations	The human body changes over time
	KEY UNDERSTANDINGS	KEY UNDERSTANDINGS	KEY UNDERSTANDINGS	KEY UNDERSTANDINGS	KEY UNDERSTANDINGS
	Light from a source forms shadows Light can be absorbed, reflected and refracted	Electrical circuits provide a means of transferring and transforming electricity Electric circuits are needed to allow energy to be transferred	A healthy democracy requires freedom of speech The Australian government is accountable to its citizens The Australian government is a global citizen The media has a responsibility to inform the public in a balanced way	Environments contain a diversity of plants and animals Survival of living things depends on the adaptation of their behaviours and physical features to their environment	Over time people undergo many changes: physical, emotional and behavioural The body's reproductive system develops and matures
	KEY QUESTIONS	KEY QUESTIONS	KEY QUESTIONS	KEY QUESTIONS	KEY QUESTIONS
	What are the properties of light? How do objects reflect, absorb and refract light? How can we use light to meet our needs?	How is energy changed into light, movement or sound? How do battery-operated devices work?	How does the Australian system of government work? How does the Australian system of government compare to other systems of government ? What role does the media play in promoting freedom of speech?	Why is there a diversity of plants and animals between different environments? How do behavioural and physical adaptations help living things to survive in extreme conditions?	How do we grow and change throughout our lives? How do different factors affect our bodies in positive or negative ways? Why do people sometimes make poor choices? How do we change during puberty?