**5th Grade – Unit 6**

**Informative/Explanatory Writing**

***Living and Working at the South Pole:***

***How it has changed and how it has stayed the same***

**STUDENT PACKET**

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**Directions:**

Read the following passages about explorers at the South Pole. Take notes to use later while writing your essay. You may look back at the passage and your notes as often as you like.

1. **Read the passage: *“Explorer Wanted: Scout the South Pole.”***
2. **Read the passage: *“A Day at the South Pole.”***

As you read, consider how living and working at the South Pole has changed over time and how it has stayed the same.

**Your Writing Task:**

**Compare the experiences of early explorers and modern-day scientists living and working at the South Pole. Overtime, how have conditions changed and how have they stayed the same?**

**As you write your informative essay, remember to develop the topic with facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples from the texts.**

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*“Explorer Wanted: Scout the South Pole”* and *“A Day at the South Pole”* retrieved from the Nevada Department of Education, Grade 5, Formative Assessment Tasks, 2014.

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**Informative**/**Explanatory Essay**

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