

Program of Inquiry

PYP 3 8 - 9 year olds

Who We Are An inquiry into the nature of the self; beliefs and values; personal, physical, mental, social and spiritual health; human relationships including families, friends, communities, and cultures; rights and responsibilities; what it means to be human.	Where We Are In Place and Time An inquiry into orientation in place and time; personal histories; homes and journeys; the discoveries, explorations and migrations of humankind; the relationships between and the interconnectedness of individuals and civilizations, from local and global perspectives.	An inquiry into the ways in which we discover and express ideas, feelings, nature, culture, beliefs and values; the ways in which we reflect on, extend and enjoy our creativity; our appreciation of the aesthetic.	How the World Works An inquiry into the natural world and its laws; the interaction between the natural world (physical and biological) and human societies; how humans use their understanding of scientific principles; the impact of scientific and technological advances on society and on the environment.	How We Organize Ourselves An inquiry into the interconnectedness of human-made systems and communities; the structure and function of organizations; societal decision-making; economic activities and their impact on humankind and the environment.	An inquiry into rights and responsibilities in the struggle to share finite resources with other people and with other living things; communities and the relationships within and between them; access to equal opportunities; peace and conflict resolution.
Choices of role models reflect the characteristics that a society values	Maps help people orient themselves to find their place in the world.	Illustrations express a person's perspective through a variety of media.	Understanding weather helps predict its impact on the environment.	Money functions as a system of exchange to encourage fair trade.	Food is a resource and should be carefully selected and valued.
Concepts: Perspective, Reflection	Concepts: Function, Form Related concepts:	Concepts: Perspective, Form Related concepts:	Concepts: Function, Causation Related concepts:	Concepts: Function, Responsibility	Concepts: Causation, Responsibility
Related concepts: Citizenship, Roles, Rights & Responsibilities	Place, Location, Geographical Patterns Lines of Inquiry:	Personality, Feelings/Emotions, Motivation Lines of Inquiry:	Cycle, Interaction, Natural Disasters Lines of Inquiry:	Related concepts: Trade, Value, Cost/Benefits, Exchange, Money	Related concepts: Scarcity, Resources, Human/Environmental Interaction
Lines of Inquiry: 1. Characteristics of heroes and role models ** 2. How role models impact society past and present ** 3. How anyone can be a hero or role model **	How maps work Characteristics of maps ** Global and local geographical features** Learner Profile focus: Inquirer, risk taker	Styles of Illustration The Illustration process Meanings portrayed in illustrations Learner Profile focus: Communicator, Open-Minded Attitude focus: Cooperation, Independence	 How weather works** How weather is observed, predicted, and measured How weather events affect the environment** 	Lines of Inquiry: 1. Systems and mediums of exchange 2. Earning, saving, spending and donating. 3. Ethics/fairness of marketplace	Lines of Inquiry: 1. The food we eat 2. Where our food comes from** 3. How our food choices effect people/environment **
Learner Profile focus: Caring, Principled	Attitude focus: Cooperation, Independence	Cooperation, maspendance	Learner Profile focus: Knowledgeable, Inquirer Attitude focus:	Learner Profile focus: Reflective, Balanced Attitude focus:	Learner Profile focus:: Thinker, Caring, Communicator
Attitude focus: Tolerance, Empathy			Confidence, Curiosity	Integrity, Confidence	Attitude focus: Commitment, Respect

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