

# Promoting Values Education in the School English Language Curriculum (Primary Level)

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# **Objectives**

- Provide insights into the planning and implementation of learning and teaching activities for the promotion of values education in the primary English classroom
- 2. Introduce the **resources** in support of promoting values education in the school English Language curriculum
- 3. Share examples on designing diversified learning activities to foster proper values and attitudes in the primary English classroom

# **Programme Rundown**

Part 1	Holistic planning of the school curriculum for integrating values		
	education into the school English Language curriculum		
Part 2	School sharing and Q&A:  Lui Cheung Kwong Lutheran Primary  School		
	School sharing and Q&A:  Tai Po Old Market Public School		
Part 3	Learning and teaching resources		

# Promoting Values Education in the School Curriculum

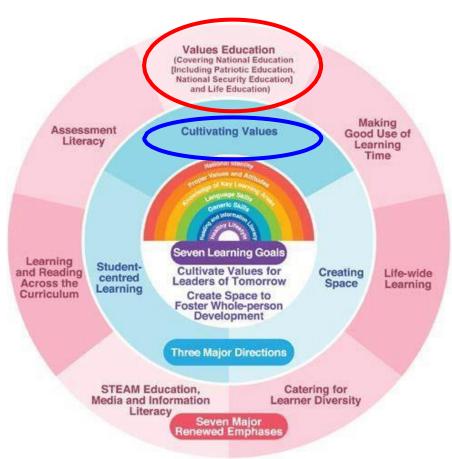
- Primary Education Curriculum Guide (PECG)(2024)
- The twelve priority values and attitudes
- Integration of cognition, affection and action

# Primary Education Curriculum Guide (PECG)(2024)



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(https://www.edb.gov.hk/pecg)



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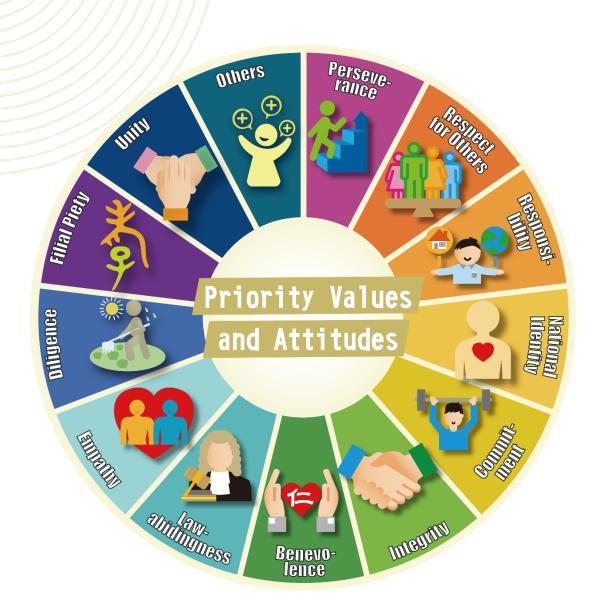


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um-development/4-key-tasks/moralcivic/VE\_CF\_20211129\_r.pdf

# Values Education Curriculum Framework (Pilot Version) (2021)

Values education can be promoted under various crosscurricular domains, for example:

- moral education
- civic education
- national education (including Constitution, Basic Law and national security education)
- anti-drug education
- life education
- sex education
- media and information literacy education
- education for sustainable development

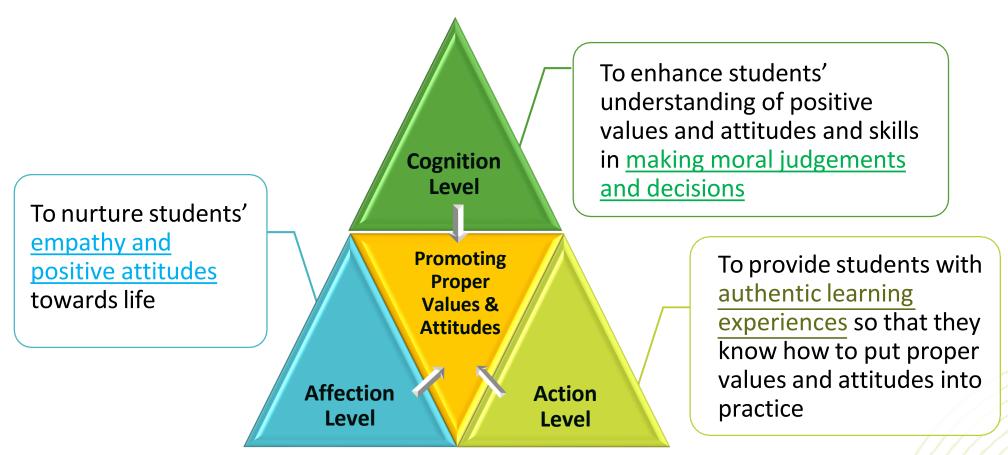


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# Promoting Values Education in the School Curriculum The Twelve Priority Values and Attitudes

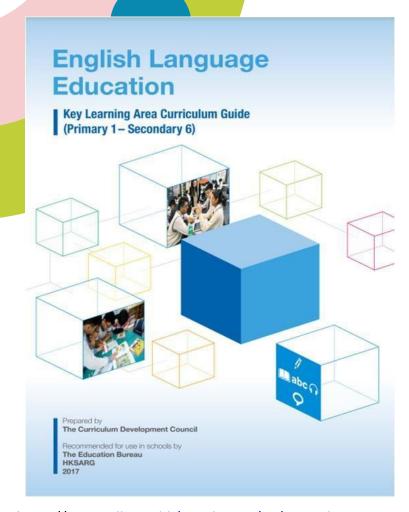
- Perseverance
- Respect for others
- Responsibility
- National identity
- Commitment
- Integrity
- Benevolence
- Law-abidingness
- Empathy
- Diligence
- Filial piety
- Unity

# Promoting Values Education in the School Curriculum Integration of cognition, affection and action



# Integrating Values Education into the School English Language Curriculum

- Connecting the Twelve Priority Values and Attitudes with the Themes/Topics of Teaching Modules
- Strengthening the Connection between English Language and Various Cross-curricular Domains
- Examples of integrating Values Education into the Primary English Classroom



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# Integrating Values Education into the School English Language Curriculum

Schoolsare encouraged to:

- focus on the positive values and attitudes that align with their school mission, school contexts, stakeholders' views, students' needs and major concerns
- explore a variety of value-laden issues and stimuli for critical and imaginative learning experiences
- make use of everyday life events and a variety of learning and teaching resources to provide contexts for cultivating values in students

# Connecting the Twelve Priority Values and Attitudes with the Themes/Topics of Teaching Modules in the English Language Curriculum

**English Language** 

Values Education



Literacy Skills
Development

#### Focuses, e.g.

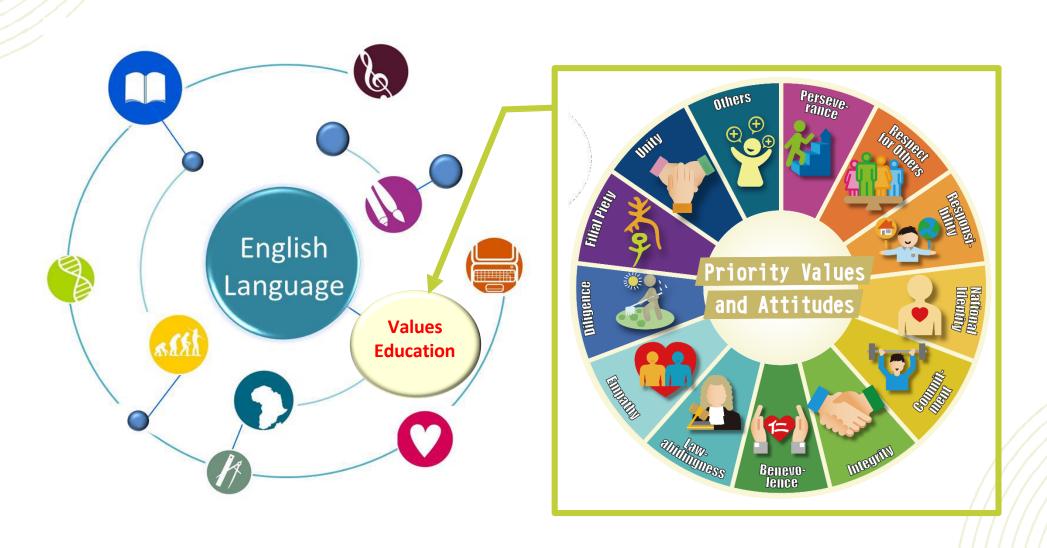
- Values and attitudes
- Text types
- Reading/writing
   strategies
- Language items



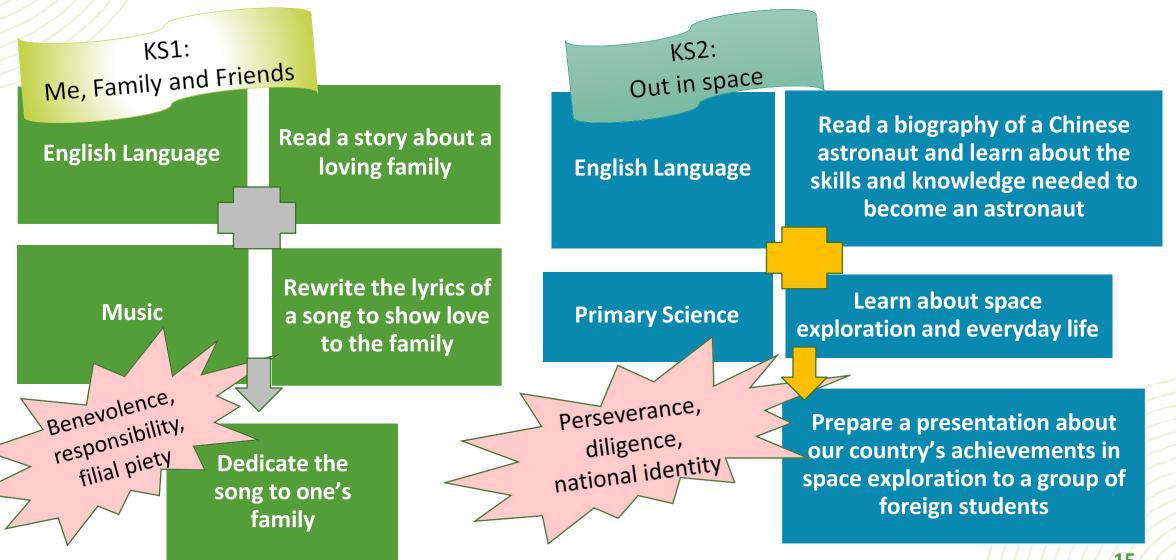
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Module and unit	Target values and attitudes	Learning and teaching activities	
KS1			
Fun and Games (Sports and games we play)	Unity	Creating team names, writing slogans and/or chants for a sports event to show team spirit	
Me, My Family and Friends (Me and my family)	Filial piety Responsibility	Storytelling and reader's theatre on books about helping parents with the housework	
Caring and Sharing (People who help us)	Empathy Commitment Benevolence	Writing a thank-you card to people who take care of our health	
KS2			
Relationships (Beautiful people)	Perseverance Diligence	Discussing the life stories of a successful person and ways he/she faces challenges	
Happy Days (Festivals)	National identity Respect for others	Reading about a Chinese festival and reflecting on the culture and traditions	
My Neighbourhood (Streetwise)	Law-abidingness Integrity	Writing some rules on road safety for classmates	

# Strengthening the Connection between English Language and Various Cross-curricular Domains to Facilitate Whole-person Development



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**English Language** 

**Values Education** 

Example 1 e-books / readers

#### An e-book (information text)





# Literacy Skills Development

#### Module (KS2)

Happy Days (Festivals)

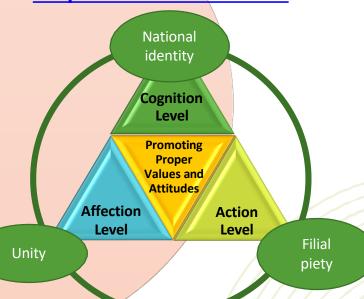
#### **Content objectives**

- To learn about the origins and customs of four traditional Chinese festivals
- To cultivate in students proper values and attitudes (e.g. national identity, filial piety, care for others)
- To create and write about a new festival

#### Language objectives

- To understand the features of information texts (e.g. the use of the simple present tense)
- To generate ideas using the SCAMPER techniques
- To link ideas using connectives
- To write descriptions with sensory language

National Education
National Security Education
Proper Values & Attitudes



### Example activities in Reading Workshops

Students read about the origins and customs of different Chinese festivals, namely Chinese New Year, the Ching Ming Festival, the Dragon Boat Festival and the Mid-Autumn Festival.



#### **Activity 1**

 Invite students to explore the origin, meaning and traditions of the festivals.



- Guide them to read and discuss the content and features of an article through
  - ✓ analysing the organisation of content; and
  - ✓ identifying connectives, the use of tenses and sensory language.
- Ask students to reflect on the values of the festivals and how these festivals are related to their everyday lives (e.g. Mid-Autumn Festival → gratitude, reunion and love for family).

#### **Activity 2**

Guide students to learn to use different ways to generate, enrich and organise ideas, e.g.

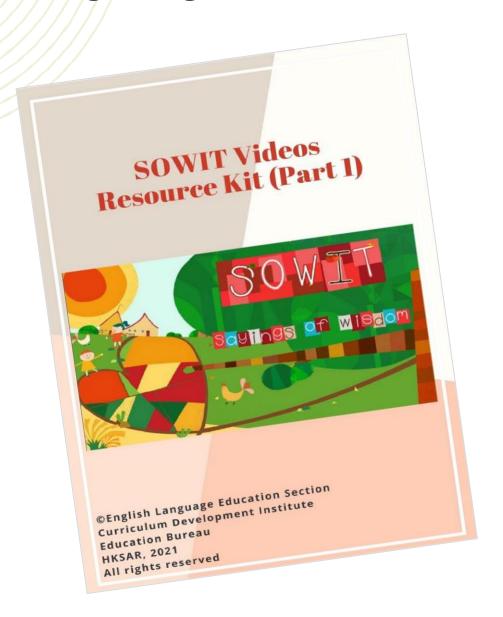
- ✓ the SCAMPER techniques;
- ✓ sensory language; and
- ✓ graphic organisers.

# Activity 3

Prompt students to design a new festival that promotes proper values and attitudes, and write a short descriptive article about it.



Generating Creative Ideas





Gratitude is the sign of noble souls.



Learning and teaching activities

SOWIT Video Series - "Gratitude is the Sign of Noble (Video link: www.edb.gov.hk/sowit\_noble)



#### Suggested Levels

Upper Primary/Junior Secondary

#### Summary of the Learning Task

Students watch the SOWIT video "Gratitude is the Sign of No a slave helping a lion when it was in trouble. In return, the lie slave by saving his life. Students are then guided to understand "Gratitude is the sign of noble souls", learn about the related p (e.g. be grateful, be empathetic, care for others), and write a whom students would like to show appreciation to.

#### Learning Objectives

• To understand the meaning of the saying "Gratitude through a story presented in the context of a video

- To explore the story elements of the video (e.g. setting, twist, main characters, supporting characters)
- To describe the appearance, feelings and personality of a range of adjectives

#### **Sharing Learning Intentions**

1. Introduce the objectives of the learn

#### Pre-viewing

#### Part A: Making Predictions about the

- Refer students to Activity Sheet: P
- Draw students' attention to the pi a scene of the SOWIT video "Gr make predictions about what the



- Discuss with students th characters and the plot.
- 4. After playing the video, I

#### Viewing

#### Part B: Understanding th

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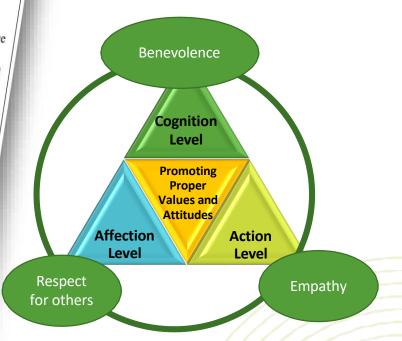
#### Post-viewing

# Part C: Understanding the Characters

- Refer students to Activity Sheet: Part C.
- Instruct students to identify the main and supporting characters.
- Guide students to analyse the main characters (i.e. Androcles and the lion) using the Elicit from students the adjectives describing the appearance, feelings and personality of Androcles and the lion at different stages of the story; and
- Invite them to substantiate the choice of adjectives with relevant examples.
- Instruct students to identify other characters' perception of the main characters. Draw students' attention to the change in the perception as the story unfolds. 5. Play the video again whenever necessary.

# Part D: Understanding the Theme and the Saving of Wisdom

- Refer students to Activity Sheet: Part D.
- Guide students to work out the meaning of the saying (i.e. people who show gratitude to others are blessed souls) by revisiting the lion's good deeds done in return for
- Discuss with students the messages conveyed (i.e. be grateful and show appreciation to those who are kind to us; be empathetic and offer a helping hand to those in need)
- . Invite students to recall the good deeds people have done for them.
- . Instruct students to write a thank-you card to someone whom they would like to show appreciation to. In the thank-you card, students should include:
- The good deeds someone performed and their gratitude; How they could pay it forward; and
- The saying of wisdom "Gratitude is the sign of noble souls".









Learning and teaching activities (Post-viewing) Part C: Self-reflection (Viewing) Part B: Understanding the background and achievement 4. What adjectives would you use to describe Alison? 3. Watch the video and complete the chart below. (Pre-viewing) Why? (e.g. optimistic, positive, out-going, cheerful, etc.) Part A: Making predictions about th 1. Look at the picture below. Have y guess what is very special about Achievements 5. What have you learnt from Alison? Awarded the Bauhinia Received Hong Kong Sports Stars Award Perseverance Paralympic medals 6. We face different challenges every day and may feel stressful sometimes. It is important to find b) Write down the things you do to help you release stress in the balloons below and share them Cognition Ms Alise Level competitions **Promoting** Challenges illnesses Proper parents' expectation Values and Had to amputate her **Attitudes**  Learn to be friends with the To help me Affection **Action** release my stress from the Level Level examinations, I Ways to release stress will do some Diligence exercise. Commitment something good > Doing Listening to









#### Pre-/While-/Post-viewing activities

#### Your parents take care of you every day and work very hard for you and your family. How can you return their love and care? Think about the things you can do for them. Take action and record 7 little acts of love and respect in the list below. Complete the Tip: Don't forget to use the simple past tense to record the little acts. (Show Your Love" Challenge Record 7 little acts of love and respect toward Write a thank-you note to someone who helped you before. Follow What did you 1) How did Han Xin thank the old lady? Underline the key words 1. the old I cleaned up t 1st February, 20XX Many years ago, you gave a bowl of rice 2. Han X to a poor young man. He promised to 3. Han X pay you back. Now please take the gold and come to my palace.

Animation series

"An Inspiring Journey through
Chinese Fables and Tales"

Congratul

#### Part D: Discuss and share

What kind of person was Yu? Read the scripts below and discuss in pairs. Share your ideas with your classmates. Follow the example.

I've learnt from my father's experiences. Blocking the floods is not enough. What we really need to do is to divert the flood water to the sea... Example 4
Short
animations



I think Yu was a responsible and intelligent person. He took up the challenging task and worked hard for many years to tame the floods. He learnt from his father's lessons and thought of other ways to solve the problem.

#### Language tips:

- Using adjecti es to describe a person, e., responsible, intelligent
- Providing st porting details
   to explain your ideas and
   give concrete evidence

Affection Level

Gratitude / Benevolence

#### Cognition Level

Filial piety

Promoting Proper Values and Attitudes

> Action Level

> > Perseverance / Commitment

Best wishes,

Write a thank-you note to your teacher/someone who help

What would you do? (write a thankful message to him/l

What was the kind thing he/she did for you? When did i

How did you feel?

"What Happens Next?"
Predicting the Storyline of Inspirational Short Animations

Example 5 -Short animations

Select and play an inspirational short animation for the first time.



Pause the video at specific times and engage students in making predictions of the plot at different stages.



Have students identify the unpleasant experience or challenges (e.g. a disability, a challenging task) faced by the characters in the short animation.

conclude the lesson by eliciting from students the positive messages learnt from the short animation. Get them to reflect on how they can apply those proper values and attitudes in the daily life.

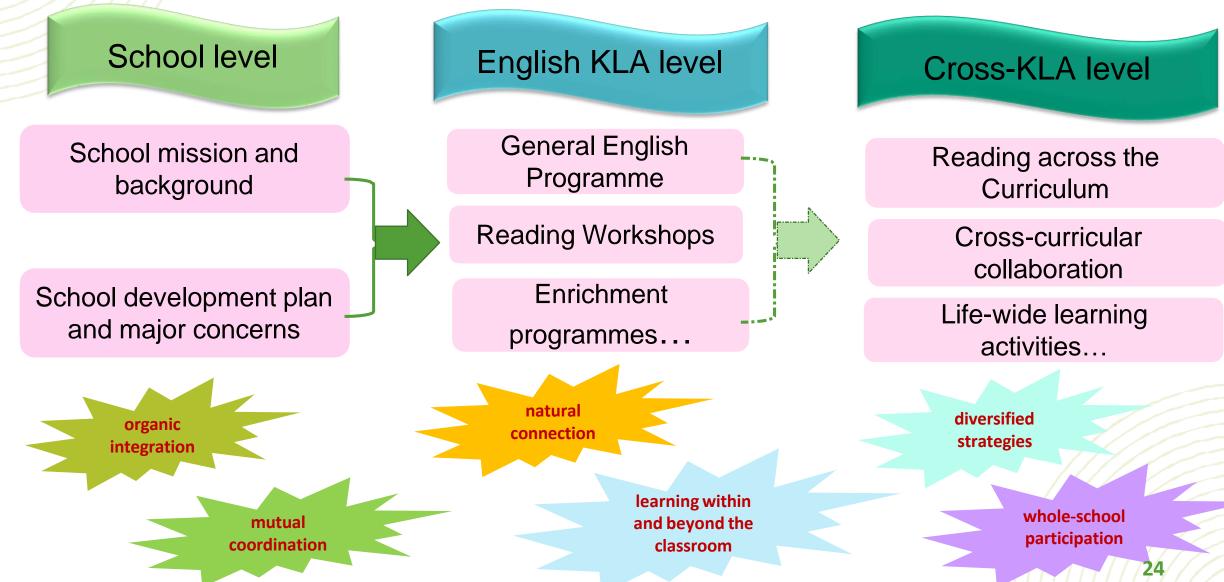


Play the short animation multiple times as necessary for students to analyse the fictional elements (e.g. themes).



characters
handle/overcome the
adversities. Ask students
to put themselves in the
shoes of the characters
and share what they
would do and how they
would feel if they faced
similar challenges.

# Holistic Planning of the School Curriculum for Integrating Values Education into the School English Language Curriculum



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# Collaborate with parents and foster home-school cooperation, e.g.

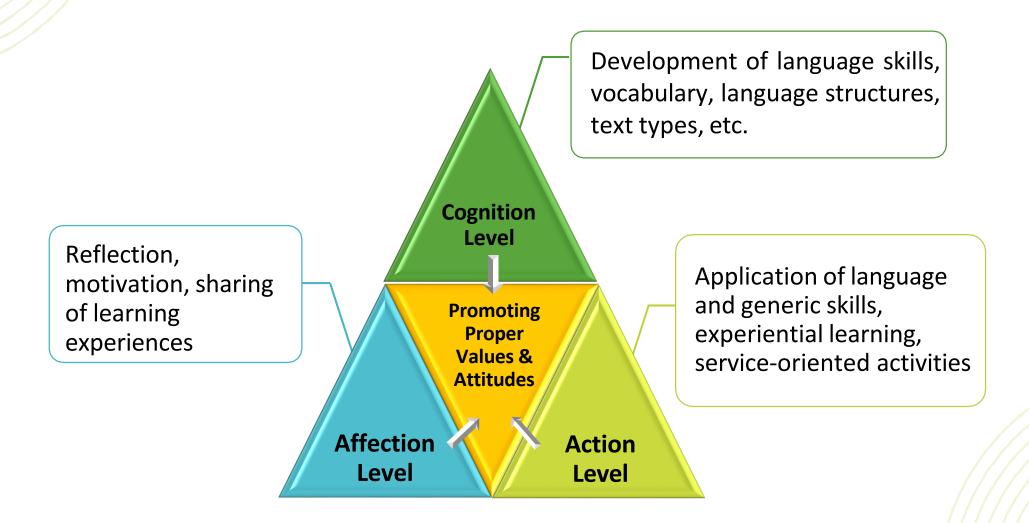
- engage the PTA in running parent-child activities
- organise talks for parents and students

# Make good use of community resources to organise service-oriented activities, e.g.

- develop students into hope builders and get them to take actions to spread hope to others
- draw greeting cards with positive messages and send them to the children at hospitals
- recruit students for voluntary services at animal rescue shelters
- organise a donation for food banks



# Integrating Values Education into the Primary English Classroom Integration of cognition, affection and action



# Food for Thought about Promoting Values Education in the English Language Curriculum

#### **Authenticity**

meaningful and authentic purpose and context

#### **Sustainability**

vertical continuum, not a one-off activity

#### **Integration**

connection with English language learning

#### **Application and Reflection**

making an impact, not just rote learning of proper values

### **School Sharing:**

### **Lui Cheung Kwong Lutheran Primary School**

## **School Sharing:**

### Tai Po Old Market Public School

# SOW Campaign 2024/25

Theme: SOW the Reading Seed: Inspire and Be Inspired

#### **Sub-themes:**

Resilience enhance resilience through reading stories of people overcoming hurdles

Empowerment gain strength, skills and knowledge through reading

Appreciation appreciate the beauty of the world or the small things in life through reading

Delight enjoy the pleasure and joy of reading

# "SOW Inspiring" Book Gifting Competition



#### **Details**

The "SOW Inspiring" Book Gifting
Competition is a writing competition
which invites students to present a
book that echoes the overarching
theme and/or sub-themes as a gift to
someone dear to them by writing a
message with a SOW taken from the
book and creating a piece of 2D
artwork to inspire the recipient.

#### **Submission deadline**

6:00 p.m., **31 March 2025** (Monday)

#### **Competition website:**

https://www.edb.gov.hk/BookGifting



#### **Learning and Teaching Materials**

A set of **presentation slides** are provided in support of the Competition, featuring:

- the learning of language features
- writing activities that engage students in the writing process through a meaningful context
- tips to enhance students' writing skills



# **SOW Readathon**

#### **Details**

SOW Readathon is a **territory-wide reading scheme** which promotes reading habits and encourages the sharing of good reads, with students **completing "Reading Challenges"**.

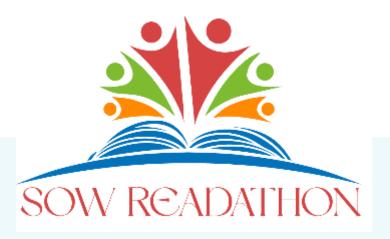
- Schools are encouraged to submit records of the completed Reading Challenges.
- Schools are invited to nominate outstanding SOW Reading Ambassadors.

#### **Deadlines**

- Registration: 6:00 p.m., 20 December 2024 (Friday)
- Submission of records: 6:00 p.m., 30 June 2025 (Monday)

#### **Competition details:**

https://www.edb.gov.hk/Readathon



#### **Registration Form:**

https://www.edb.gov.hk/Readathon-form

#### School-based Record Form:

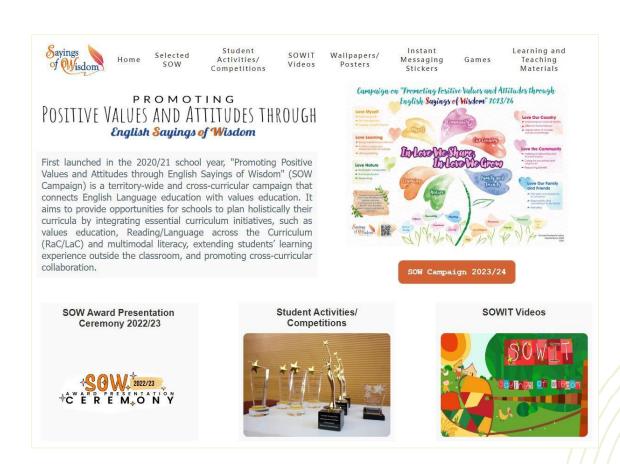
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# Resources on Promoting Positive Values and Attitudes: English Sayings of Wisdom (SOW)



http://www.edb.gov.hk/sow



# SOWIT Videos Resource (Part 2) English Language Education Curriculum Development Inst Education Bureau HKSAR, 2021





#### **SOW L&T Resources**



## **Resources on Promoting Values Education**

(covering national education [including patriotic education, national security education] and life education)

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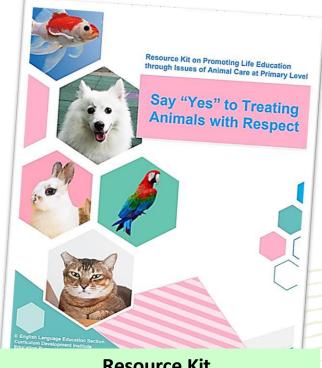


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Resource Kit
Say "Yes" to Treating Animals
with Respect



#### Key Stages 1 and 2 (Primary 1 to 6)

<u>Fanning the Pillow and Warming the Quilt</u>

Grinding an Iron Rod into a Needle

Pulling up the Crops to Help Them Grow

Putting Yourself in Someone's Shoes

Whole-hearted Devotion

Key Stage 2 (Primary 4 to 6)

Gaining New Insights from Reviewing Old

A Treasury of Literary Classics Chinese Fables and Tales Series (2)
Instruction:
Read the Chinese story and answer the following questions.

Pulling up the Crops
to Help Them Grow

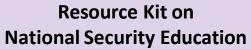
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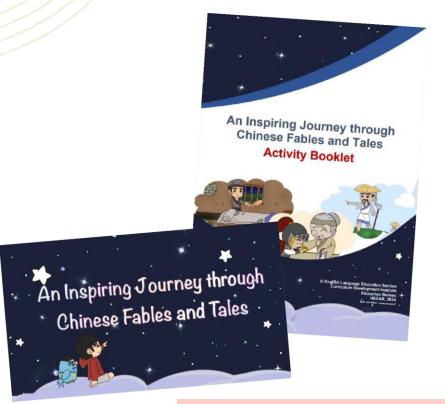
<u>Holding a Book in the Hand All the Time</u>

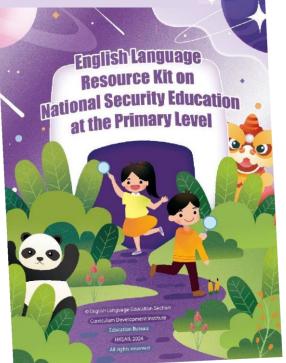
<u>Quitting Halfway</u>

<u>Sending Goose Feathers from Thousands of Miles Away</u>









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Student Anthology
The Creative Writing Activity for
Upper Primary Students 2023/24