Ying Wa Primary School Primary 2 Theme-based English Project- Endangered Animals

Lesson Plans

General English	
Overall objectives:	Writing
-Students acquire the skill to do a research on a topic and present	- Writing step by step- From vocabulary, sentences, mind
the work through a written information report and an oral	maps, report tables to the final information report.
presentation.	- Gather and share information, ideas and language by using
-Students enjoy exploring knowledge.	strategies such as mind map and listed information table.
-Students learn to organize information systematically.	 Make changes to incorrect spelling, punctuation and
-Students experience cooperative learning through group	grammar, and add details if necessary.
discussion and appreciation.	
- Develop critical thinking by identifying a problem and working out	
solutions.	Generic skills
	Collaboration : Group discussion and sharing
Language skills	Creativity : Students select their own researched targets
Listening	and design their presentation.
- Listen to different stories and media about the topic	Numeracy skill : Students learn to use numbers to describe
-Listen to others' ideas	the size of an animal.
Speaking	Problem-solving : Students identify problems concerning
-Voice out self opinion through group discussion and group	endangered animals and brain-storm
presentation.	solutions.
-Individual presentation: Learn the technique of public speaking	Study Skill :Students acquire the technique to do a
through presenting a topic.	research through the help of Internet,
Reading	encyclopedia and books.
- Read a series of articles related to the topic.	 Students learn to organize information
- Read different non-fiction books and on-line reading materials	under different category.
throughout the research process.	-Students learn to organize ideas through a
	mind map and a listed table.
	Confidence : To build up confidence through group and
	self presentation

Lesson	Objectives	Materials	Teaching steps	Homework/ Remarks
1	-To acknowledge the students the concept of endangered animals and the animals which are extinct -To arouse the interest of the students in the topic	Power point stories of "dodo" and Yangtze river- dolphin	 T tells the stories of two extinct animals through power point. Introduce the term "endangered" and "extinct". Points to think and discuss: T checks the understanding of the students by asking questions about the stories. T stimulates the thinking of the students by asking general questions about endangered animals. e.g. Do you care whether or not an animal becomes extinct? Why or why not? g. Think about ways that people can help endangered animals. Is there anything you can do? 	
2	- To introduce different sources in carrying out a research.	-Internet -Books about animals -An animal encyclopedia	 T gives out the theme-based English project (TBEP) booklet and explains briefly the purpose and timetable for the project. Introduce different means to find information about the topic. (Display some books, an animal encyclopedia and demonstrate the usage of Internet) Browse through the recommended websites. <u>http://www.kidcyber.com.au/</u> <u>http://animal.discovery.com/guides/endangered/en</u> <u>dangered-mammals-tab-02.html</u> T explains TBEP P. 1 T goes to the below website and discuss the list of endangered animals. <u>http://www.enchantedlearning.com/coloring/endan</u> <u>gered.shtml</u> T guides students to complete Task 3 	-Students choose their targeted endangered animals and complete Task1 and Task 2

3	-To study an endangered animal in depth through an article	-Paper for writing notes	 Task 4: Read the article of "Miracle Birds" on TBEP P.3 1) 1st time- silent-reading by students 2) 2nd time-reading aloud by T 	- Students read aloud the article "Miracle Birds" at home to their parents.
	- To enhance exchange of ideas and cooperative learning through group discussion		 T explains some difficult vocabulary 3) 3rd time- Students follow T to read aloud the article. T explains the questions. (T encourages students to think under the heading of "appearance", "habitat", "problem", " ideas to help" 	
			 Task 5: T arranges the students into 5 groups. Each group has 6 students with one as 1) the leader and one as 2) the writer Each member of the group has to discuss all the questions raised in the article. The leader has to coordinate and assign each member to present each question. T picks some students to present for the groups. T has to choose the best presenting group and 	
			 the most cooperative group. T comments on the new ideas suggested by the students. 	
4	-To accumulate knowledge about the topic -To read and write sentences related to the topic	Picture and sentence cards	 Task 6: Read the article of "It takes a village" on TEBP P.4 1) 1st time- silent-reading by students 2) 2nd time- reading aloud by T T explains some difficult vocabulary 3) 3rd time- Students follow T to read aloud the article. T explains the questions. (T encourages students to think under the heading of "appearance", "habitat", "problem", "help") T guides students to attempt some questions verbally. 	 Students complete Task 6 as homework. Remind students to bring colouring pencils for the next lesson

5	-To understand a mind map -To think and organize information systematically	-colouring pencils	 Matching game: T writes the headings on the board as below. <u>Pictures - Problems - Results - Helps from people</u> T places sentence cards randomly on the board. T places the picture cards under the column of pictures and asks students to match the pictures with the appropriate sentence cards Example: Picture of air pollution - Air is polluted – Animals cannot have clean air to breathe – Please use less fossil fuel such as oil and coal. T highlights the sentence cards- Many animals are endangered ./ Many animals are extinct as the final consequences. T introduces a mind map by drawing one on the board. E.g. T can use herself as the subject. Describe T under the headings of a. appearance b. favourite food c. favourite activities d. strength e. weakness, etc. Task 7: T explains the mind map on TEBP P. 5 	Task 9 : Students complete the mind map of their chosen endangered animals at home following the example in Task 7.
			 about the polar bear. T asks the students to colour the shapes according to the instructions. (Colouring can enhance the concept of classification) T asks questions about the information provided in the mind map to check students' understanding. 	
6	-To understand a listed table -To think and organize information systematically		 Task 8: T introduces a listed report table (T highlights the questions under each heading.) T elaborates the list of problems faced by different endangered animals and the suggested helps from the people. T guides students to complete Task 8 by referring to the mind map on TEBP p. 5 	Task 10 : Students extract information from the mind map on p.8 to complete the report table of their chosen animals

7 & 8	-To write an information report		 Task 11: Read the final report of the polar bear on TEBP P.11 1) 1st time- silent-reading by students 2) 2nd time- reading aloud by T 3) 3rd time- reading after the T T emphasizes a) the structure of an information report which basically follows the report table. b) writing in paragraphs c) writing in complete sentences. Task 12 :T explains task 12 and gives a piece of blank paper for the student to write the first draft of the report. 	-Task 12: Students complete Task 12 on the blank paper.
9	Prepare a speech		 Task 13:-T gives the marked version of the report back to each student and asks him to write a neat copy for publishing. T explains Task 14 and 15 and arranges students for the one-minute speech in the next lessons. 	Prepare the one-minute speech
10 & 11	Perform a speech	- peer evaluation sheet -teacher's feedback form -a camera and a video-camera	 Task 14 & 15:- Students take turn to perform the one-minute speech and complete Task 15 T fills in a feedback sheet for each student. (Take photo for each student and video-shoot each performance) Students who are not performing have to fill in a peer evaluation form. (This can encourage students to listen to others and develop appreciation skill) Ask each student to calculate the total score they have given to each classmate and vote for the best- performing student T summarizes the factors for a good speech. 	