

Lesson Plan Guidelines

*Does the lesson extend over more than one time-tabled period? If yes, record all dates and times below.

1. Lesson Plan Information	
Subject/Course:	Name:
Grade Level:	Date: Time:
Topic:	Length of Period:

2. Expectation(s)

Expectation(s) (Directly from the Ontario Curriculum):

- Selected and listed from the Ontario Curriculum
- Has realistic number of expectations (1-3 usually)

Learning Skills:

• Learning skills from Growing Success (2010) are listed

3. Content

What do I want the learners to know and/or be able to do?

- Describes the content of the lesson
- Includes facts, data, information, formulae, concepts, skills, knowledge, and/or attitudes
- * What are the concepts, facts, skills, formulae, and/or attitudes?
- * How does the content relate to the expectation(s)?
- * How will I organize the content? (Simple to complex? Familiar to unfamiliar? Specific to general?)

Today learners will:

• Identifies what will be taught in today's lesson – the refined expectation (has verbs that are measurable and observable; matches assessment and application)

4. Assessment / Evaluation

(Recording Devices: anecdotal record, checklist, rating scale, rubric, success criteria)

Based on the application, how will I know that the learners have learned what I intended?

- Identifies the strategy used to assess learning
- Includes a recording device (e.g., anecdotal notes, rubric, rating scale, checklist, success criteria)
- Includes self and peer assessment as appropriate
- Identifies Achievement Category(ies) and/or assessment of Learning Skills
- * How will I know if (or to what degree) the expectation(s) were achieved?
- * What are the most appropriate assessment strategy(ies)?
- * Is the recording device included?
- * Is the assessment strategy appropriate for all learners or will some modified assessments be used? (Refer to pre-assessment notes.)

5. Learning Context

A. The Learners

(i) What prior experiences, knowledge, and skills do the learners bring with them to this learning experience?

- Identifies learners' prior knowledge related to the expectation(s)
- * What experiences (i.e., cognitive, affective, psychomotor) do the learners bring to the lesson?
- * What level of development have the learners already attained relative to the targeted expectation(s)?

(ii) How will I differentiate the instruction (content, process, and/or product) to ensure the inclusion of all learners? (must include where applicable accommodations and/or modification for learners identified as exceptional)

- Identifies learners by initials
- Identifies learners who require additional support, including accommodations and/or modifications and describes strategies to be used
- Describes changes in content, process, and product to meet needs
- * Are there any changes in context, process or product to meet learners' needs?

B. Learning Environment

- Describes the teaching/learning space
- Describes adjustments to the teaching/learning space (if required)
- List group members (if necessary)
- * How will the teaching/learning space be used?
- * What groups will be needed?
- * Will the learning environment need to be altered?

C. Resources/Materials

List the resources to be used, for example:

- Text title, author, and page(s)
- Films, websites, articles
- Exemplars, models, anchor charts
- Technology (e.g., data projector, computer, SMART board, lab equipment)
- Handouts (e.g., worksheets, templates, rubrics, checklists)
- Supplies (e.g., paper, markers, manipulatives)
- Other
- * Are the resources available?
- * Where are they kept?
- * Where will you set them in the classroom for easy access during the lesson?

6. Teaching/Learning Strategies

INTRODUCTION

How will I engage the learners? (e.g., motivational strategy, hook, activation of learners' prior knowledge, activities, procedures, compelling problem)

- Time is allocated
- Should be connected to the learning
- Engages the learners
- Is creative, innovative, and motivating
- Describes step-by-step
- * What is the hook/motivator for the learners?
- * How will I use the hook? (Describe step-by-step)
- * Is it creative and motivating for the learners?
- * Review of yesterday's lesson (if applicable)
- * How will I bridge previous learning to the new learning? (if applicable)

MIDDLE

<u>Teaching</u>: How does the lesson develop? How we teach new concepts and processes (e.g., gradual release of responsibility – modeled, shared, and guided instruction; content and strategies).

- Time is allocated
- Teaching/learning strategies are described step-by step, including groupings
- Teacher modeling of new learning is explained
- How learners explore a problem and document their solution strategies is explained (where applicable)

- Key educative questions are listed
- Procedures for activity(ies) are described step-by-step (where applicable)
- Includes a description of learner(s) roles and responsibilities (if applicable)
- Task card/overview may be posed (if applicable)
- Transitions are clearly outlined (e.g., distribution and collection of resources, groupings)
- Learning skill(s) are noted, anchored, and demonstrated appropriately
- * How will the content be taught?
- * How will I model the new learning?
- * How can I maximize learner involvement?
- * How should I sequence the lesson?
- * What instructions will I need to give the learners in this part of the lesson?
- * How will learners explore a problem and document their solution strategies?
- * How will an overview of the learning tasks be introduced to the learners?
- * How will procedures and expectations be presented to the learners?
- * What procedures will be utilized for the learning task(s)?
- * Have I specified procedures for each task? (task cards and/or overview is posted)
- * How will transitions be handled? (e.g., distribution of resources, regrouping, time)
- * How will I teach/model/encourage the development of learning skills?
- * What key educative questions are included?
- * How much time should I allocate?

Consolidation and/or Recapitulation Process: How will I check for understanding?

- Time is allocated
- Learners are asked to summarize/demonstrate facts, data, information, formulae, concepts, skills, knowledge, attitudes, and/or learning skill(s)
- Recapitulation questions are listed
- Learners become aware of what they have learned (metacognitive skills) / sharing of new learning
- * How can I get the learners to summarize the new learning?
- * How will I bring all of the important ideas from the learning experiences together for/with the learners? (e.g., learners presentation of solutions, work samples, projects, group discussion moderated by the teacher or by the learners)
- * Is it focused and precise?
- * Am I asking questions specific to new learning?
- * Are the learners ready for the application?

<u>Application</u>: What will learners do to demonstrate their learning? (moving from guided, scaffolded practice to gradual release of responsibility)

- Time is allocated
- Explains how the learners will apply, practice, and demonstrate the new learning alone or in groups
- Includes completion and/or generation of similar problems (if applicable)
- * How will I provide guided practice so that learners can consolidate the main ideas from the lesson?
- * Considering the different learners in the class and the curriculum content of this lesson, what application task(s) would be most appropriate?
- * Does the application task relate directly to the refined expectation(s)?
- * How should I organize for the application task (grouping, time, space, materials)?
- * Will the needs of the learners be met by the application task?
- * Will the task encourage increasingly independent use of the new learning?
- * What will my role be during the application task?

CONCLUSION

How will I conclude the lesson?

- Time is allocated
- Learning is brought to a conclusion/tied together appropriately
- Includes reminders to learners when appropriate
- Identifies assigned homework if meaningful and appropriate
- Includes transition to next class/subject/dismissal

7. My Reflections on the Lesson

What do I need to do to become more effective as a teacher in supporting learning?

- List steps for how I will help ALL learners meet expectation(s) for next class, including those who require continued differentiation
- Identifies topic for next class (if appropriate)
- * Based on my reflections on the learning, what learning experiences should follow in the next lesson in this subject area?
- * Is any re-teaching required?
- * What learner/curriculum needs should be addressed in the next lesson?
 - Thinking about the implementation of the lesson, list next steps for professional growth regarding the lesson (e.g., communication, planning, organization, motivation, teaching/learning strategies, differentiation, questioning, assessment)
 - Assess my classroom management of the lesson and list proactive classroom management strategies for the next lesson
 - Self-reflection
- * What did I learn from this lesson about my own effectiveness as a teacher (including strengths and areas for improvement in communication, planning, differentiation, implementation, classroom organization, management, assessment)?
- * What other factors may have influenced the success of the lesson? Did I note and respond to these elements appropriately?
- * What do I know about good teaching?
- * What should I consider to improve the effectiveness of my teaching for my next lesson?
- * What additional proactive management step(s) should be considered for subsequent lessons?