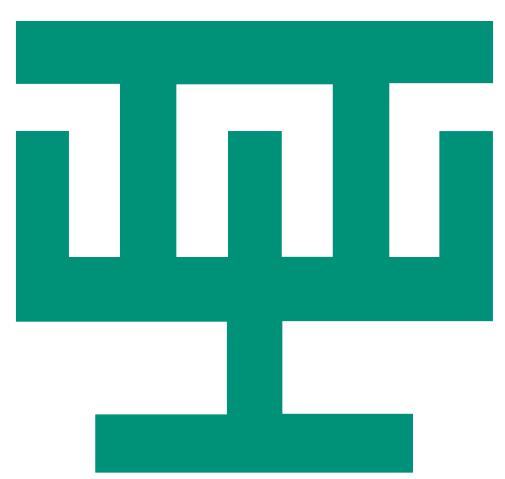
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Professional Learning Community Handbook 1 for Basic Schools

Working to the National Teachers' Standards

HANDBOOK FOR TEACHERS





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FOREWORD

Ghana's Standards-Based Curriculum was introduced across all basic schools in September, 2019. This curriculum is based on standards and learning outcomes which are to be achieved, shifting the focus on to what is actually learnt rather than what is taught. It has a strong focus on the 4 'R's (reading, writing, arithmetic and creativity) and focuses on promoting interactive and play-based approaches which encourage experiential learning and position the teacher as a facilitator rather than as a lecturer. It also articulates the core and global competencies that learners are expected to demonstrate and focuses on learning and progression for all learners, underpinned by pedagogical considerations of differentiation and inclusion.

The Ghana Education Service (GES) has mandated all teachers within our Basic Public Schools to establish Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) and undertake weekly sessions where teachers come together and work collaboratively to improve teaching and learning in line with the new curriculum.

GES has now collaborated with the National Teaching Council (NTC), tutors of Colleges of Education, SISOs, headteachers and teachers from selected Basic Public Schools within Akwapim South, Bosome Freho and Lambussie districts to develop this Professional Learning Community (PLC) Handbook. This Handbook contains structured pedagogical materials which can be used by teachers in basic public schools when conducting their weekly PLC sessions to improve their pedagogical skills and improve children's learning through a series of practical activities.

The involvement of head teachers and teachers from selected Basic Public Schools in the writing of this Handbook is an intentional way of ensuring that its content is responsive to the practicalities of their classrooms.

This first PLC Handbook focuses on strengthening understanding, awareness, and adherence to the National Teachers' Standards (NTS). The NTS, as a document, provides the foundations upon which Ghana's educational reforms are being built as it specifies the three things needed to be an effective teacher:

- 1. Professional Values and Attitudes the dedication to learn and improve and become the best teacher you can be:
- 2. Professional Knowledge of the subjects and content of the curriculum being taught and:
- 3. Professional Practice the understanding of how to encourage participation, critical thinking and achieve intended learning outcomes.

The PLC Handbook is designed to improve quality and relevance of teaching and learning through experiential sharing and strategies which also incorporate Gender, Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI), Social and Emotional Learning (SEL), Information Communication Technology (ICT) and 21st Century Skills. It is our hope and expectation that this PLC Handbook represents an important step in the transformation of education in Bosome Freho, Lambussie and Akuapem South and that it will be used effectively across all Basic Public Schools in these districts to transform learning.

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PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITY HANDBOOK 1 WORKING TO THE NATIONAL TEACHERS' STANDARDS – TEACHER VERSION

1. Background to the PLC Sessions in this Handbook.

There are eleven weekly Professional Learning Community (PLC) Sessions in this Handbook designed to prepare teachers to teach in the basic school curriculum to the National Teachers' Standards. The Sessions are not subject specific so subject teachers at the Junior High School level can apply the teaching, learning and assessment principles in their teaching of any subject. The PLC Sessions are designed to support:

- Professionalising teaching by supporting teachers in developing communities of practice and enhancing their professionalism.
- Improving the learning outcomes and life chances for all learners.

2. Features of the PLC Sessions.

- The main resources for the weekly teacher Sessions are the teacher version of the Handbook and the PLC Coordinator version of the Handbook.
- ➤ Both versions are written to provide information to guide the 11 weekly PLC Sessions that are linked directly to the National Teachers' Standards.
- > The PLC Coordinator version of the Handbook have prompts for leading the PLC Session.
- ➤ The teacher version of the Handbook contains activities for teachers and guidance for what they will do during the Session.
- The weekly PD Sessions are of 50-minute duration in primary schools and 60-minute duration in Junior High Schools.

PLC Session 1: Gender Equality and Social Inclusion

Focus: the bullet points provide the frame for what is to be done in the session. The writer should use the bullets to guide what they write for the PLC Coordinators and teachers to do or say during each session. Each bullet needs to be addressed	Guidance Notes on Teacher Activity during the PLC Session. What teachers will do during each stage of the session.	Time in session
1. Introduction to the Handbook	1.1 Participate in the icebreaker activity as appropriate. 1.2 Read the introduction to the Handbook below. Introduction: The philosophy of teacher education in Ghana is to prepare teachers imbued with professional skills, attitudes and values as well as the spirit of inquiry, innovation and creativity. This philosophy underpins the National Teachers' Standards, which specify, for the first time, what teachers are expected to know, understand and be able to do to continually improve their own learning as well as the learning of those they teach. The Standards set out, in three domains, the knowledge, understanding, skills and values all teachers must possess to enable them to adapt to changing conditions in the teaching profession. The Standards help teachers to achieve high quality learning outcomes for all learners, particularly those who are vulnerable, those with various forms of physical or learning impairment and high achieving learners. The domains intersect with one another to develop a teacher competent enough to teach in a way to effect learning in Ghanaian schools. The Standards are supporting Ghana to meet Goal 4 of the Sustainable Development Goals for 2030, which is "to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote life-long learning	10 mins

opportunities for all". The standards cover several cross-cutting issues in teaching and learning and provide guidelines for teachers to enable them to embed these cross-cutting issues in their work.

The Standards apply to all practicing teachers in schools, and the National Teaching Council use them to assess the work of teachers in different contexts including the extent to which teachers meet their professional development needs. Metropolitan, municipal, and district education officers, school improvement support officers, teacher unions, head teachers and mentors in schools also use the Standards as a guide to inform their work.

Purpose of Handbook:

The purpose of this Handbook is to equip teachers with the knowledge, understanding and skills to teach to the National Teachers' Standards.

The Handbook aims at assisting teachers to know how to use the National Teachers' Standards in planning, teaching, and assessing lessons in ways that will improve the learning outcomes of learners.

The strategies introduced in the Handbook will help teachers to equip learners with 21st-century transferable skills that will develop in learners a sense of equity, inclusion, collaboration, innovation, and accountability to make them responsible citizens who are always guided by integrity. The strategies should also help learners to improve their self-awareness and build self-esteem and leadership skills.

The Handbook covers the following topics:

- 1. Stand-alone session on Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI)
- Stand-alone session on Information and Communications Technology and 21st century skills
- 3. Social and Emotional Learning (SEL)

- 4. Introduction to the National Teachers' Standards (NTS)
- 5. Professional development
- 6. Community of practice
- 7. Knowledge of educational framework and curriculum
- 8. Knowledge of learners
- 9. Managing the learning environment
- 10. Teaching and learning
- 11. Assessment

2. Introduction to session

2.1. Read the purpose, introduction to Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI), the learning outcome (LOs) and the learning indicators (LIs) below.

15 mins

Purpose:

To educate teachers to have a clear understanding of GESI matters so they will be able to integrate these into both the teaching and learning process and other aspects of school life as this will encourage learners to do same during learning.

Introduction to GESI:

Communities all over the world consist of diverse individuals and social groupings that have different needs, strengths, opportunities and concerns as a result of differences in culture, gender, ability as well as economic and social status. As a teacher, it is important to understand the uniqueness of these diverse groups in the classroom and ensure that every individual is supported to access quality education.

GESI in schools is being championed towards promoting equal opportunity for females and males generally and those who find themselves in disadvantaged groups in the classroom.

Overview of GESI and related concepts:

In addition to the purpose stated above, this session seeks to expose teachers in basic schools to the concepts of GESI and related matters such as gender, equality, equity, etc., to enable them to appreciate issues of stereotyping and work

towards challenging these and particularly traditional gender roles.

The session seeks to help teachers to deal with their own unconscious biases so they can attend to the diverse needs of all learners in the classroom and the school generally.

Note:

The LOs in the Handbook describe what teachers will be able to do by the end of the session

Learning Indicator (LI): This is the practical evidence that learning has taken place. It may include verbal responses, practical activities, or products

- LO 1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of concepts related to GESI (NTS 1c, 3f).
- LI 1.1 Explain the term GESI.
- LI 1.2 List at least four terminologies associated with GESI.
- LI 1.3 Explain any four terminologies associated with GESI.
- LO 2: Demonstrate knowledge, understanding and application of GESI concepts in basic schools (NTS 2e, 2f, 3c, 3d, 3f, 3g, 3k and 3o).
- LI 2.1 Analyse GESI concepts that are relevant to the school environment including the classroom. LI 2.2. Analyse how to address GESI issues that are relevant to the school environment including
- 2.2 State at least four terminologies associated with GESI (NTS 1c, 3f).

E.g.

a) Gender

the classroom.

- b) Equity
- c) Gender Equality, etc.
- 2.3 In pairs/groups explain any four terminologies associated with GESI listed in Activity 2.2. (NTS 1c, 3f).

E.g.

a) Stereotypes:

Certain characteristics are ascribed to specific gender. For instance, boys are braver than girls, and girls are good cooks

To address this issue, cite instances where girls have demonstrated bravery and boys have been good cooks

b) Negative perceptions:

Persons with special education needs are low achievers

To address this, cite an instance where an individual with special education needs has excelled at various levels of life. For instance, Farida Bedwei (who suffers from cerebral palsy) is a software engineer from Ghana. Also, Dr. Henry Seidu Danaa (visually impaired) was a lawyer and a minister of chieftaincy in Ghana, etc.

3.2 Ask teachers to identify and share GESI responsive practices that can help make the learning environment conducive and non-threatening (NTS 3c, 3e).

E.g.

- a) Providing suitable seating arrangements to meet the learning needs of all learners
- b) Not using negative expressions or language that can demean or exclude learners
- c) Avoiding labelling learners based on their background, or physical appearance, etc.
- 3.3 Identify at least three ways of teaching GESI responsive lessons (NTS 3k, 3p).

E.g.

- a) Giving equal opportunities for playing leadership roles to all learners
- b) Giving differentiated tasks to learners, etc.

		3.4 Identify at least three ways of making	
		assessment GESI responsive	
		(NTS 3k, 3p).	
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		E.g.	
		a) Provide constructive feedback to both male	
		and female learners	
		b) Give male and female learners equal	
		opportunity to ask and answer questions,	
		etc.	
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4.	Evaluation and review	4.1 Identify and share with the larger group any	10 mins
	of session:	outstanding issues relating to the session for	
		clarification (NTS 1a, 3l, and 3n).	
•	Identifying and		
	addressing any	4.2 Individually reflect, write and share what you	
	outstanding issues	have learned from the session with the larger	
	relating to the lesson/s	group (NTS 1a, 3l, and 3n).	
	for clarification		
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		4.3 Identify a colleague to observe your lesson to	
•	Noting that teachers	provide feedback on how you have used GESI in	
	need to identify	your lesson (NTS 1a. 3l and 3n).	
	colleagues to observe		
	lessons and report at	4.4 Read session 2 from the PLC Handbook in	
	the next session	preparation for the next session.	
		4.5 Come to the next session on ICT (i.e., Session	
		2) with your phones, laptops, and other ICT	
		devices.	
		4.6 You may come along (to the next PLC session)	
		with areas you find challenging in your teaching	
		for a discussion (NTS 3a, 3e).	
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PLC Session 2: Information and Communications Technology (ICT)

1.1. Review the previous session by writing one thing you learned in the session and share it with a colleague. 1.2 Read the purpose, Learning Outcomes (LOs) and Learning Indicators (LIs) of the session. Purpose: Teachers in the 21st century are facing new challenges because of the expanding possibilities of ICT integration in every aspect of the school curriculum. Irrespective of the level at which a teacher operates, ICTs have the capabilities to bring several benefits to the teacher and their learners. The benefits include shared learning resources, shared learning spaces and promotion of cooperative and collaborative learning. ICTs also provide a base for autonomous learning. As indicated in the LOs and LIs below, this session is intended to;	Focus: the bullet points provide the frame for what is to be done in the session. The writer should use the bullets to guide what they write for the PLC Coordinators and teachers to do or say during each session. Each bullet needs to be addressed	Guidance Notes on Teacher Activity during the PLC Session. What teachers will do during each stage of the session.	Time in session
 a) help teachers plan and teach learner-centred lessons using ICT b) provide teachers access to and use of ICT tools for assessment for learning, assessment as learning and assessment of learning c) introduce teachers to the use of ICT for the development of 21st century skills d) guide teachers in the use of ICT software and hardware for teaching and learning. LO 1: Demonstrate the use of basic ICT tools for planning lessons (NTS 3a, 3c). 		you learned in the session and share it with a colleague. 1.2 Read the purpose, Learning Outcomes (LOs) and Learning Indicators (LIs) of the session. Purpose: Teachers in the 21st century are facing new challenges because of the expanding possibilities of ICT integration in every aspect of the school curriculum. Irrespective of the level at which a teacher operates, ICTs have the capabilities to bring several benefits to the teacher and their learners. The benefits include shared learning resources, shared learning spaces and promotion of cooperative and collaborative learning. ICTs also provide a base for autonomous learning. As indicated in the LOs and LIs below, this session is intended to; a) help teachers plan and teach learner-centred lessons using ICT b) provide teachers access to and use of ICT tools for assessment for learning, assessment as learning and assessment of learning c) introduce teachers to the use of ICT for the development of 21st century skills d) guide teachers in the use of ICT software and hardware for teaching and learning.	10mins

- LI 1.1 Mention and describe at least three basic ICT tools that can be used in planning a lesson.
- LI 1.2 Perform basic lesson planning tasks using an ICT tool.
- LO 2: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the basic ICT tools and their impact on teaching, learning and assessment (NTS 3g, 3h, 3j, 3k, 3n, and 3p).
- LI 2.1 Mention and describe at least three basic ICT tools and how to use them in teaching, learning and assessment.
- LI 2.2 Analyse the impact of ICT on teaching, learning and assessment.
- 1.3 Mention at least three basic ICT tools and browsers and what they are used for (NTS 3a, 3f, 3j).

E.g.

- a) Desktop computers for preparation of documents
- b) Laptops for preparation and presentation of lessons, etc.
- 1.4 Distinguish between computer software and hardware by mentioning at least two of each (NTS 3e, 3i, 3j).

Software

E.g.

Office Professional, for instance, Windows XP, etc.

Hardware

E.g.

Flat screen monitor, etc.

1.5 Share your experiences of the integration of ICT into your lessons and the impact of ICT on your teaching (NTS 3a, 3j).

E.g.

 a) Open Educational Resources (OERs) i.e., open courseware, learning models, streaming videos, online tutorials, open access journals, digital

		learning objects, all improve lesson	
		presentations and make them more interesting	
		b) The use of projector and laptops for lesson	
		presentation saves the time for writing on the	
		board and extends quality time on activities to	
		enhance learning, etc.	
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		1.6 Discuss in pairs/groups how to search for	
		information using ICT (NTS 3a).	
		Information using fer (W15 5a).	
		E.g.	
		a) Mozilla Firefox helps to provide a wide range of	
		educational information through the appropriate	
		search engine	
		b) ResearchGate provides access to academic	
		writings, etc.	
2.	Planning for	2.1 In pairs/groups, share your views on the ICT	15 mins
	teaching, learning	tools you intend to use when planning lessons (NTS	
	and assessment	3a, 3j).	
	activities for the		
	lesson/s making	E.g.	
	links to the basic		
	school curriculum	In planning a lesson, a teacher can use any of the	
		following materials and electronic devices to	
		develop structured learning activities:	
		a) Resources including printers/photocopiers,	
		printed task sheets, links to videos, slides,	
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		memory sticks, calculators (to cater for the	
		learning needs of different learners)	
		b) Different presentation modes including	
		PowerPoint presentation, projecting	
		electronic diagrams and charts, audio	
		recorded tasks (to save time used in writing	
		on the board and extend time on task)	
		c) Different assessment methods including	
		completing task sheets, using printed	
		marking schemes for self and peer	
		assessment, answering audio recorded	
		questions, using calculators to check	
		answers, etc.	
		2.2 Discuss gaparal ICT Apperfor tooching Januarian and	
		2.2 Discuss general ICT Apps for teaching, learning and	
		assessment and give examples of how they are used	
		(NTS 3a, 3j).	
		E.g.	
		a) Turnitin is used to check plagiarism	

		 b) Grammarly- is used to check sentence structure etc. 2.3 Discuss the appropriate ICT tools to support learners with Special Educational Needs (SEN) when planning, teaching and learning (NTS, 3f, 3o). E.g. a) Google Podcast is used to teach the visually impaired learners by listening to audio/voice instructions b) Braille- used by the visually impaired to write etc. 	
3.	Teaching, learning, resources and	3.1 Discuss in pairs/groups and come out with at least three strategies on how ICT can be integrated in (your)	15mins
	assessment	specific subject areas (NTS 3i, 3j).	
		 E.g. a) The use of computer simulation in science teaching, and assessment of practical lessons b) In mathematics, Excel spreadsheet can be used to present data, draw charts and assess learning c) The use of computers and ICT applications such as CorelDraw and Publisher to teach Basic Design and Technology, etc. 	
		3.2 Mention at least three 21st century skills and ICT tools that can be integrated during teaching and	
		learning to develop these skills in learners (NTS 3j).	
		 E.g. a) Building communication skills with the use of ICT tools such as computers, projectors to do PowerPoint presentations b) Building collaborative skills through the use of electronic media, for instance, group activities through the use of WhatsApp c) The following links can be used to access information on 21st century skills: i. Collaborative problem solving https://youtu.be/cnkKHL dyGE 	
		ii. Creativity	

iii.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qV7DiTFdtvw

Effective written and oral communication

	https://www.youtubo.com/watch?v_DEhAAN_VLD	
	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D5hMN_XkP	
	QA	
	iv. Information and media literacy	
	https://youtu.be/bjYhmTC3lrc	
	v. Critical thinking	
	https://youtu.be/y7iMEH7jGFk	
	https://youtu.be/88DoGrqEuJk	
	vi. Leadership	
	<u>https://youtu.be/-NF10F6bX_q</u>	
	vii. Personal responsibility and initiative	
	<u>https://youtu.be/nRE131ErclM</u>	
	3.3 Model a teaching activity using any ICT tool(s) of	
	your choice (EXTENSION ACTIVITY).	
4. Evaluation and	4.1 Reflect and write what you have learned in the	10 mins
review of session:	session (NTS 1a, 1b).	
 Identifying and 		
addressing any	4.2 Share what you have written with the larger group	
outstanding issues	(NTS 1a,1b).	
relating to the		
lesson/s for	4.3 Identify a colleague to observe your lessons and	
clarification	provide feedback to you.	
 Noting that 	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
teachers need to	4.4 Remember to come along with your NTS guide and	
identify critical	read Session 3 from the PLC Handbook in preparation	
friends to observe	for the next session.	
lessons and give	To the next session.	
feedback	4.5 You may come along with areas you find	
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	plan.	

PLC Session 3: Social and Emotional Learning (SEL)

Focus: the bullet points provide the frame for what is to be done in the session. The writer should use the bullets to guide what they write for the PLC Coordinators and teachers to do or say during each session. Each bullet needs to be addressed	Guidance Notes on Teacher Activity during the PLC Session. What teachers will do during each stage of the session.	Time in session
1. Introduction to new session	1.1 Write one thing you learned in the previous session and share with a colleague. 1.2 Read the purpose, introduction to Social and Emotional Learning (SEL), the Learning Outcomes (LOs) the Learning Indicators (LIs) below. Purpose: The purpose of this session is to guide teachers to; a) have a clear understanding of SEL competencies b) take SEL competencies into account in the teaching and learning process c) implement SEL in other aspects of school life d) engage teachers on how to encourage learners to take SEL into account in their learning. Introduction to SEL Social and emotional learning refers to the process through which learners learn to understand and manage emotions; set and achieve positive goals; feel and show empathy for others; establish and maintain positive relationships; and make responsible decisions (Weissberg, et al., 2015). Teaching involves addressing learners' emotional, social and behavioural needs. With the right support, learners learn to articulate and manage their own emotions. They are able to deal with conflict and solve problems if they are given the appropriate guidance. Also, learners are able to understand things from other people's perspective and communicate in	15 mins

appropriate ways if teachers make a deliberate effort to encourage them to do so.

These social and emotional skills are essential for learners' development. They support effective learning and are linked to positive outcomes in later life. Social and emotional learning can enhance mental health and well-being, positive learner behaviour and academic performance.

- LO 1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of concepts related to SEL (NTS 2e, 2f, 3c, 3d, 3f, 3g and 3k).
- LI 1.1 Explain the term SEL.
- LI 1.2 List and explain at least four competencies associated with SEL.
- LO 2: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of SEL in basic schools (NTS 2e, 2f, 3c, 3d, 3f, 3g and 3k).
- LI 2.1 Mention and explain at least two benefits of the SEL competencies listed in LI 1.2.
- LI 2.2 Discuss how to promote SEL competencies in the school environment including the classroom.
- 1.3 In pairs/groups, explain the term SEL in your own words (NTS 2c, 2e).

E.g.

Social and Emotional Learning refers to the process through which learners learn to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve positive goals, etc.

1.4 List and explain at least three competencies associated with SEL (NTS 2e, 2f).

E.g.

a) Self-awareness:

Ability to consider and understand one's emotions, thoughts, values and experiences, and how these can influence one's actions

Self-management:
 Ability to regulate and control one's emotions, thoughts and behaviour, etc.

		1.5 In pairs/groups list and explain at least two	
		benefits of any of the competencies of SEL (NTS 2e, 2f,	
		3c, 3f, 3g, 3k and 3l).	
		E.g.	
		a) Self-awareness:	
		Helps to identify one's strengths and limitations	
		h) Colf managament:	
		b) Self-management: Helps to control one's impulses, etc.	
		Theips to control one 3 impulses, etc.	
		1.6 Discuss how you will promote SEL competencies in	
		your classroom and the school as a whole (NTS 3c).	
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		E.g.	
		a) Self-awareness: Expand learners' emotional	
		vocabulary and support them to express emotions	
		b) Self-management:	
		Teach learners to use self-calming strategies and	
		positive self-talk to help deal with intense emotions	
		c) Social awareness: Use stories to discuss others'	
	O	emotions and perspectives, etc.	15
۷.	Overcoming SEL- related	2.1 Reflect individually, share their ideas with a	15 mins
	misconceptions,	colleague and then with the larger group (i.e. think- pair share) possible barriers to applying	
	perceptions, and	concepts of SEL to teaching and learning and how to	
	other challenges in	address them (NTS 2f, 3m).	
	the school	(
	environment	<i>E.g.</i>	
	including the	Misconception:	
	classroom	a) Many people think that reserved and shy learners	
		are academically weak	
		b) Many people think that reserved and shy learners	
		are the most talented learners	
		To add and this to about a control of the days	
		To address this, teachers can use whole-class	
		dialogue, questions, think-pair-share in their lesson	
		which will encourage reserved learners to participate fully lessons etc.	
		participate july lessons etc.	
		2.2 Identify at least four ways of making assessment	
		SEL responsive	
		(NTS 3k, 3n, 3o and 3p).	
		<i>E.g.</i>	
		a) Provide constructive feedback to all learners	
		b) Give male and female learners equal opportunity	
		to ask and answer questions	

		c) Use self and peer assessment activities, etc.	
		2.3 Write and share at least four SEL responsive practices that can help make the learning environment conducive and non-threatening (NTS 3a, 3b, 3c, 3e, 3f and 3g)	
		and 3g).	
		E.g. a) Provide suitable seating arrangements to meet all types of learners' needs	
		b) Avoid negative expressions or language that can	
		demean or exclude learners	
		c) Avoid labeling learners based on their background	
		and physical appearance, etc.	
3.	Evaluation and	3.1 Identify and share with the larger group any	10 mins
	review of session:	outstanding issues relating to the session for clarification (NTS 1a).	
•	Identifying and		
	addressing any	3.2 Individually reflect, write and share what you have	
	outstanding issues	learned from the session with the larger group	
	relating to the	(NTS 1a, 1b).	
	lesson/s for	3.3 Identify a colleague to observe your lesson and	
	clarification	provide feedback on how you have used SEL in your lesson.	
•	Noting that		
	teachers need to	3.4 Read session 4 of the PLC Handbook and come	
	identify colleagues	along with both your NTS Guide and a sample lesson	
	to observe lessons	plan in preparation for the next session.	
	and report at the		
	next session	3.5 You may come along with areas you find	
		challenging in your teaching (NTS 3a).	

PLC Session 4: Introduction to the National Teachers' Standards (NTS)

Focus: the bullet points provide the frame for what is to be done in the session. The writer should use the bullets to guide what they write for the PLXC Coordinators and teachers to do and say during each session. Each bullet needs to be addressed	Guidance Notes on Teacher Activity during the PLC Session. What teachers will do during each stage of the session.	Time in session
Introduction to	1.1 Read the purpose, Learning Outcomes (LOs) and	10 :
session	Purpose: The purpose of the session is to introduce the NTS and expose teachers to how they can align the specific standards in the NTS with their lessons. LO 1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the domains and sub-domains of the NTS (NTS 1b, 1d, 1f and 1g; NTECF pp. 20-22 and 27-30). LI 1.1 State the three domains of the NTS and align them with their sub-domains. LI 1.2 Explain at least one of the sub-domains under any of the three domains. LO 2: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of how the NTS can guide the planning, teaching and assessment of lessons in basic schools (NTS 3a, 3k, 3l, 3n and 3p). LI 2.1 State at least two areas of a lesson where the NTS can be applied in teaching, learning and assessment.	10 mins

	LI 2.2 State and explain how the two main purposes of assessment in the NTS can be applied in lessons.	
Give regard for the domains and subdomains of the NTS, etc.	1.3 Mention the domains in the NTS and align them with their sub-domains (NTS 1b, 1d, 1f and 1g). E.g. a) Professional Values and Attitudes (PVA) i. Professional development ii b) Professional knowledge (PK) i. Knowledge of Educational frameworks and	10 mins
	curriculum ii c) Professional Practice (PP). i. Managing the learning environment ii. Teaching and learning iii 1.4 Use think-pair-share (involving an individual thinking about an issue and sharing their views with a partner and both of them sharing the views they have put together with the larger group) to explain the subdomains and present your explanations on charts for a gallery walk.	
	 E.g. a) PVA i. Professional development is a process by which teachers maintain and enhance their knowledge, skills and experiences gained as they work beyond any initial training ii. Community of practice is a group of people who share concern and passion for something they do and learn how to do it better as they interact regularly b) PK i. Knowledge of Educational frameworks and curriculum involves the familiarity of the teacher with educational policies, programmes, the curriculum across the 	

	ii. Knowledge of learners concerns itself with the ability of the teacher to have knowledge about the characteristics of their learners and needs at the various grades c) PP i. Managing the learning environment is		
	about creating a safe and conducive learning environment for learners at all times		
	ii. Teaching and learning involve the ability of the teacher to plan and deliver a variety of teaching strategies that encourage learners' participation and critical thinking		
	iii. Assessment is when the teacher integrates a variety of purposes of assessment (formative assessment - assessment as learning and assessment for learning; summative assessment - assessment of learning) into teaching to support learning		
	1.5 State the areas of your lessons where NTS can be applied (NTS 3a,3e,3f, 3k, 3l, 3n and 3p).		
	E.g. a) Planning b) Delivery, etc.		
	1.6 State the two main purposes of assessment in the NTS using think-pair-share (NTS 3k, 3l, 3n and 3p).		
	E.g. a) Formative assessment i. assessment as learning ii b)		
3. Planning for	3.1 Refer to appendices 4.1 and 4.2 for a sample		
teaching, learning	lesson plans in Science as a guide and tease out the		
and assessment	LOs and the LIs in your lesson plan (NTS 3a, 3e, 3g and		
activities for the	3j).		
lesson/s making links to the basic school	3.2 Explain how the NTS can holp to promote the		
curriculum	3.2 Explain how the NTS can help to promote the delivery of lessons in basic schools (NTS 3e, 3f, 3g, 3h, 3i and 3j).		

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	E.g. NTS 3e: Employ a variety of instructional strategies that encourage learner participation and critical thinking. (This standard can help teachers use different learning resources and teaching methods to cater for the needs of all learners in a class) NTS 3f: Pay attention to all learners, especially girls and learners with Special Educational Needs, ensuring their progress. (This standard will encourage the teacher to make a conscious effort to plan and teach inclusive lessons), etc.	
	3.3 Explain how the NTS can help to promote the effective use of assessment in the classroom (NTS 3e, 3f, 3g, 3h, 3i and 3j).	
4. Evaluation and review of session:	 E.g. NTS 3k: Integrate a variety of assessment modes into teaching to support learning. NTS 3l: Listen to learners and give constructive feedback NTS 3m: Identify and remediate learners' difficulties or misconceptions, referring learners whose needs lie outside the competency of the teacher NTS 3n: Keep meaningful records of every learner and communicates progress clearly to parents and learners, etc. 3.4 Model a teaching activity using any ICT tool(s) of their choice (EXTENSION ACTIVITY). 4.1 Reflect individually and write what you have learned in the session (NTS 1a, 1b). 	10 mins.
 Teachers need to identify critical friends to observe lessons and give 	4.2 Share what you have written with the larger group (NTS 1a).4.3 Identify a colleague to observe your lessons in	
feedback Teacher s need to identify and address any outstanding issues relating to the lesson/s for clarification	relation to PLC Session 4 and provide feedback to them (NTS 1a, 1e). 4.4 Remember to come along with your NTS guide and read Session 5 from the PLC Handbook in preparation for the next session.	

4.5 You may come along with areas you find challenging in your teaching and also a sample lesson plan (NTS 3a, 3e). Appendix 4.1 See sample lesson plan on Science in appendices 4.1 and 4.2 a) Strand 1: Diversity of Matter b) Sub-strand: Materials c) Content Standard: B7.1.1.1 Recognize materials as important resources for providing human needs d) Indicator(s) B7.1.1.1 Classify materials into liquid, solid and gas e) Performance indicator: learner can recognize materials as important resources for providing human needs. f) Core competencies: E.g. Collaborative problem solving, Leadership, critical thinking, communication, digital literacy, creativity and innovation Key words/Vocabulary: resources, solid, liquid, gas, water vapour **g) Phase 1: Starter** (preparing the brain for learning) Engage learners in naming and describing materials assembled from the environment in terms of texture, appearance, colour, smell and shape h) Phase 2: Main (new learning including assessment) i. Ask learners to Group the materials into liquids, solids and gases and give reasons for the grouping *ii.* Put learners in groups or in pairs for them to discuss the differences between liquid, solid and gas. (Initiate the discussion by using question(s). Ensure that when students are discussing the topic, they should talk extensively about the issues bringing their view points). iii. Perform activities to demonstrate the presence of air (gas). For example, heating water in a

receptacle and tie the open end of a plastic bag to the mouth of the receptacle to form a balloon. Let the learners observed the plastic bag and explain why the plastic bag ballooned. Caution: Ensure that the hot water does not pour on the learners. Any other appropriate activity can be performed by the learners.

Homework/project work/community engagement suggestions

Let learners do the following as homework:

- a) Visit industries within the locality to identify the different types of liquids, solids and gases.
- **b)** Identify materials at home and classify them into solids, liquids and gases.
- c) Find out why water is visible; and air is not

Phase 3: Plenary/Reflections (Learner and teacher)

Allow one learner from each group to tell the class what they have learned. Encourage learners not to repeat already mentioned responses.

Cross-curriculum links/ Cross-cutting issues *E.g.*

Subjects like Career Technology and Physical and Health Education use solids and liquids in their activities. Therefore, cross check with teachers of these subjects to see if solids and liquids are treated before you facilitate learning of them.

Potential misconceptions/student learning difficulties *E.g.*

The misconception that air supports burning should be addressed. **Note** that it is the oxygen component of air that supports burning and not the whole air.

Resources/Equipment

Water, cooking oil, sand, gravel, vinegar, soft drink, water vapour, source of heat, liquid medicine any others available

Appendix 4.2

Sample lesson plan for Basic 6

- a) **Strand 1:** Diversity of Matter
- b) **Sub-strand**: Materials

 c) Content Standard: B6.1.2.1 Recognize materials as important resources for providing human needs

d) Indicator(s)

B6.1.2.1.2: Investigate the uses of metals in everyday life and link the uses to their properties

e) **Performance indicator:** Learners understand that the uses of metals depend on their properties and that different metals are used for different purposes

f) Core competencies:

E.g.

Personal Development and Leadership; Digital Literacy; Critical Thinking and Problem Solving; Creativity and Innovation; Cultural Identity and Global Citizenship

Key words/Vocabulary: metal, malleable, ductile

g) Phase 1: Starter (preparing the brain for learning)

Metals are among the most important materials on earth. Many of the things we use in the home are made of metals.

Enter the class with a ringing bell and ask learners which substances make sounds like the bell.

h) Phase 2: Main (new learning including assessment)

- *i.* Teacher's displays different objects made from metals and engage learners in groups to write
- ii. Learners discuss and come out with uses of metals by observing the objects displayed in class or from a video, (these include farm tools, jewellery, ornaments, cars, bridges, metallic spoons).
- iii. Link the use of the metal to its property, e.g., copper is used to make wires because it ductile, aluminium is used to make roofing sheets because it is malleable.
- iv. Learners present their ideas to class for discussion.

Homework/project work/community engagement suggestions

Let learners do the following as homework:

- *i)* Visit industries within the locality to identify the different types of liquids, solids and gases.
- *ii)* Identify materials at home and classify them into solids, liquids and gases.
- iii) Find out why water is visible; and air is not

Assessment

Give an example of a metal and what it is used for and explain why it is used for that purpose.

Phase 3: Plenary/Reflections (Learner and teacher)

Teacher facilitates the group discussions by chipping in from time to time since this topic will seem a little more difficult for most learners.

Teacher sums up the learning outcomes.

Cross-curriculum links/ Cross-cutting issues *E.g.*

Subjects like Career Technology, Creative Arts and Physical and Health Education use materials like metals in their activities.

Resources/Equipment

Water, cooking oil, sand, gravel, vinegar, soft drink, water vapour, source of heat, liquid medicine.

Appendix 4.3 Sample Lesson Plan for K2

Date: xxxxxxxxxxx	Strand: K2.6 All Around Us	
Day: xxxxxxxx		
Class: KG2	Sub-Strand: K2.6.3 Water	
Class size: xxxxxxxxx		
Content Standard:	Indicator:	
K2.6.5.1	 K2.6.3.1.1, discuss where we get water from its 	
Demonstrate	importance to living things and how to care for the	
understanding that	sources.	
water is an important	 K2.6.3.1.7, measure, estimate and compare the capacity 	
natural resource that	of different containers of water.	
helps all living things,		
human plants and		

Performance Indicator:

animals.

- 1. Learners can identify some sources of water, it's use and how they can take care of the sources.
- 2. Learners can measure, estimate and compare the capacity of different containers of water in a playful way.

Core Competencies/Values:

- 1. Communication and Collaboration
- 2. Personal Development and Leadership
- 3. Critical Thinking and Problem Solving

Key words: Water, sources, use, care, well, rain, stream, river. Ref.MoE(2019)Kindergarten Curriculum pp.166-167

Phase/Duration	Learners activities	Resources
Phase 1: Starter	Sing related song e.g.	poster, conversational
(preparing the brain	 "if all the rain drops were 	poster, bottles,flipchart,
for learning)	lemon drops and candy	Audio-visuals e.g.Tv
	drops"	set, mobile
	"it's raining, it's pouring, the	phone,Labtop
	old man is snoring"	
	3. "rain rain go away, come	
	again another	
	day"	
Phase 2: Main (new	CIRCLE TIME (30MINS)	Conversational
learning including	 a. From the song you just sang, 	poster, mobile phone,
assessment)	tell what you think the song is	Audio-visuals.
	about.(expected answer: rain)	
	b. In pairs (if possible boys and	
	girls), observe the	
	conversational poster	
	displayed and discuss activities	Markers, piece of
	on it.	card/cardboard
	c. With your partner, dictate a	
	story out of the activities on	
	the poster/watch a short video	
	on the sources of water.	

d. Dictate a story from the pictures or video as the teacher write on a card to be read every day of the week.
 (The Language Experience Approach, LEA)

GROUP ACTIVITIES (OUTDOOR, 60mins)

Group one (Outdoor)

- a. Pick a smaller and bigger containers/ bottles and estimate how many times the smaller one will fill the bigger one.
- Fill the smaller container and empty it into the big container and find out how many of the smaller one filled the bigger one.
- c. Fill the two containers and estimate their weight, by weighing them in your palm or by lifting them with both hands. Use the words *heavy* or *light* to describe the weight of the filled containers.

Group two

- a. Fill an empty bottle with water and with the help of your teacher, punch a hole on the bottle top.
- Turn the bottle upside down and use it to write the lettersounds you have learnt so far on the ground.

Group three

- a. Play the obstacle race game which allows you to fill empty bottles with water at the end of the race to determine which one you will be first.
- b. In a large group, discuss with your partner what you use water for in your daily life.
- c. Mention two uses of water each to plants and animals.

Outdoor Group one

Difference sizes of empty bottles/containers, Water

Group two

Bottles, water, nails

Group three

Materials for the game

GROUP ACTIVITIES	Group one (Indoor)	Indoor
INDOOR (60MINS)	Table-top activities	Group one
	Draw and colour two sources of	Pencils, crayons, sheets
	water.	of paper.
	Group two	Group two
	Draw and colour yourself using water.	Pencils, crayons, sheets
		of paper.
	Group three	Group three
	Match the names of the sources of	a. Word cards on which the names
	water to their corresponding pictures.	of the following
		sources of water
		are written: rain,
		well, river, pond,
		borehole and
		steam.
		b. Pictures of
		sources of water.
PHONICS (30MINS)	PHONICS	
	Depending on the Phonic approach	
	being used in your area.	
LEARNING CENTRE	Learning Centres	Learning Centres
(30MINS)	1. A set-up station for different	Centre materials
,	uses of water for play.	
	2. Home including kitchen	
	3. Art	
	4. Book	
	5. Clinic/hospital	
	6. Music (calabash in water a	
	musical instrument)	
STORY SHARING	Story sharing	
STUNT SHAKING	Story sharing Facilitator shares a story related to	
	the theme (water).	
ASSESSMENT	Assessment	
	Ask reflect-connect-apply questions	
	a. Did you enjoy the lesson?	
	Why?	
	b. Draw and colour a use of	
	water in the school.	
	c. Mention two ways by which	
	you use water in the home.	

Phase 3:	a. Sing related songs to the	
Plenary/Reflections	lesson.	
(Learner and teacher)	b. What have you learnt today	
	that you are going to share	
	with your family?	

PLC Session 5: Professional Development (PD)

Focus: the bullet points provide the frame for what is to be done in the session. The writer should use the bullets to guide what they write for the PLC Coordinators and teachers to do and say during each session. Each bullet needs to be addressed	Guidance Notes on Teacher Activity during the PLC Session. What teachers will do during each stage of the session.	Time in session.
1. Introduction to session	 1.1 Participate in the icebreaker and read the purpose, Learning Outcomes (LOs) and Learning Indicators (LIs) of the session. Purpose: The purpose of the session is to help teachers engage in lifelong learning through professional development. It also seeks to expose teachers to how they can develop their leadership skills. LO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of Continuous Professional Development (CPD) (NTS 1a, 1b, NTECF Pillar 3: p. 28). LI 1.1 Define CPD (NTS 1a). LI 1.2 State reasons why CPD is important to the teacher (NTS 1a, 1b). LI 1.3 Discuss the different ways of carrying out self-directed learning through libraries, internet and others (NTS 1b). LO 2: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of leadership qualities in the school setting (NTS 1c,1d, 1f, NTECF Pillar 3: p. 28). LI 2.1 State at least two qualities of a good leader in the school setting (NTS 1c,1d and 1f). LI 2.2 State at least three roles of a leader in the school setting (NTS 3f, 3g, 3h and 3i). 	10 mins

1.2 Use thought-shower to come out with the definition of CPD to the best of your knowledge (NTS 1a, 1b and 2a).

E.g.

Continuous professional development is the process by which members of a profession maintain and improve their knowledge and skills to remain competent in their chosen profession for the benefit of themselves, clients and the wider profession.

(https://qhanapsychologycouncil.org.qh/wp-content/uploads/fdownload/forms/CPD%2OPoints.pdf).

1.3 Use think-pair-share (thinking about the subject on your own, comparing your ideas with that of a colleague and sharing with whole group) to examine at least three benefits of (NTS 1b, 1c,1f, 2a, 2b and 2g).

E.g.

- a) Helps participants to develop additional skills, knowledge and understanding of relevant issues
- b) Corrects misconceptions, etc.
- 1.4 In pairs/groups, discuss at least four ways of carrying out self-directed learning (NTS 1b, 2a and 2c).

E.g.

- a) Using the internet for research
- b) Gaining knowledge from peers
- c) Going to the library to study, etc.
- 1.5 In pairs/groups, state at least four qualities of a good leader in the school (NTS 1c, 1f, 1g, 3b, 3c, 3f and 3g).

- a) Delegates duties
- b) Focuses on developing others
- c) Should be democratic, etc.

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	1.6 Use think-pair-share to come out with at least three roles of a school leader (NTS 1c, 3b, 3c, 3h and 3j).	
	E.g.a) Monitoring and supervision of teaching and learningb) Coaching and mentoring, etc.	
Give regard for	1.7 Identify at least four possible	10 mins
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misconceptions and	misconceptions and stereotypes in learning	
stereotypes, GESI, SEL, ICT, 21 st century skills, etc.	various subjects such as mathematics (NTS 3m).	
	E.g.	
	a) Mathematics is for learners with very high IQ	
	b) Mathematics is for boys and not for girls	
	c) Mathematics is not suitable for learners with	
	Special Educational Needs (SEN), etc.	
	1.8 Discuss how these misconceptions about	
	teaching and learning in a subject such as	
	mathematics can be addressed (NTS 3f, 3i, 3l,	
	3m and 3p).	
	E.g.	
	a) Teaching mathematics should be made	
	practical and interesting	
	b) Female teachers should be encouraged to	
	teach mathematics, etc.	
	teach mathematics, etc.	
	1.9 Identify at least four activities that promote	
	Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) and	
	Social and Emotional Learning (SEL)	
	responsiveness in the classroom (NTS 3a, 3c).	
	E.g.	
	a) Pay attention to all learners especially girls	
	and learners with Special Educational Needs	
	(SEN) by ensuring they are making progress	
	b) Employ teaching strategies appropriate for	
	mixed ability, multi-lingual and multi-age	
	classes	
	c) Ensure equal participation of all learners	
	during role play, etc.	
	1.10 Identify at least two ways of incorporating	
	ICT into your lessons taking into consideration	
	different learning styles (NTS 3i, 3j).	
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E.g.

Surfing Open Educational Resources and other Internet sources for information, etc.

1.11 Discuss at least four possible strategies you would adopt to develop 21st century skills in your learners (NTS 3a, 3b, 3c and 3d).

Note:

Communication skills

E.q.

- a) Group discussion
- b) Presentation, etc.

Collaboration

E.g.

- a) Group discussion
- b) Hands-on activities, etc.

Observation and enquiry skills

E.g.

- a) Project/research
- b) Role-play, etc.

Creativity and innovation

E.g.

- a) Project/research
- b) Role-play, etc.

Personal development

E.g.

- a) Role-play
- b) Presentation, etc.

Cultural identity and global citizenship

E.g.

Providing opportunities for teachers to engage in discussions on national and international issues through the use of:

- a) Group work
- b) Presentation, etc.

Critical thinking and problem solving

- a) Hands-on activities
- b) Appreciation, etc.

2.	Planning for teaching, learning and assessment activities for the lesson/s making links to the relationship between the Basic School Curriculum and the NTS	2.1 Discuss samples of their lesson plans based on Pre-Tertiary Curriculum (Standards-based curriculum) in your respective subjects and link them to the NTS (NTS 3a, 3e, 3g and 3j). Refer to Appendix 5.1 for a sample lesson plan in mathematics Basic 4. Refer to Appendix 5.2 for a sample lesson plan in mathematics Basic 7. 2.2 Tease out the learning outcomes and learning indicators from your sample lesson plan.	10 mins
		E.g. LO: Demonstrate understanding of perimeter of regular and irregular shapes (NTS 2c, 3i) LI 1 Estimate perimeters using referents for centimeter or meter	
		LI 2 Measure and record perimeters for regular and irregular shapes in "cm" and "m"	
3.	Teaching, learning, resources and assessment	 3.1 Identify at least five activities that promote GESI and SEL responsiveness in your sample lesson plans (NTS 3c, 3e, 3f and 3g). E.g. a) Classroom arrangement that facilitates interaction between all learners b) Mixed-ability/gender group activities c) Positive feedback to all learners especially SEN learners, etc. 3.2 Identify at least four resources that can be used to deliver the (NTS 3j, 3k). E.g. d) Cut-out shapes e) Projectors f) Exercise books, etc. 3.3 Discuss how the lesson plan is linked to the use of formative assessment tools and practices for assessment for learning and assessment as learning (NTS 3k, 3l and 3m). 	10 mins

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		E.g. a) Assessment as:	
		Ask learners to reflect on what they have	
		learned	
		b) Assessment for:	
		Learners estimate the lengths of their desks	
		3.4 Model a sample activity in the sample lesson	
	e diagramatica re	(EXTENSION ACTIVITY).	40
4.	Evaluation and review of session:	4.1 Reflect individually and write what you have	10 mins
	or session:	learned in the session (NTS 1a, 1b).	
0	Identifying and	4.2 Share what you have written with the larger	
	addressing any	group (NTS 1a, 1b).	
	outstanding issues		
	relating to the lesson/s	4.3 Identify a colleague to observe your lessons	
	for clarification	in relation to PLC Session 5 and provide	
		feedback to you (NTS 3I).	
0	Noting that teachers		
	need to identify critical	4.4 Remember to read Session 6 of your PLC	
	friends to observe	Handbook and come along with both your NTS	
	lessons and report at next session	Guide and a sample lesson plan in preparation for the next session (NTS 3a).	
	next session	Tor the next session (1113 3d).	
		4.5 You may come along with areas you find	
		challenging in your teaching and also a sample	
		lesson plan (NTS 3a).	
Ар	pendix 5.1	Sample lesson plan in mathematics (Basic 4).	
		An average of an author for the division Const.	
		An example of an outline for teaching Geometry	
		and Measurement from the Standard Based Curriculum	
		Carricalani	
		a) Strand 3: Geometry and Measurement	
		b) Sub-strand 3: Measurement (Perimeter and	
		Area)	
		c) Content Standard: B4.3.3.1: Demonstrate	
		understanding of perimeter of regular and	
		irregular shapes	
		d) Indicators: B4.3.3.1.1: Estimate perimeter	
		using referents for centimeter or metre, B4.3.3.1.2: Measure and record perimeter	
		for regular and irregular shapes in	
		centimeter and meter	
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- e) Performance indicator: Learners can estimate perimeter using referents for centimeter or metre.
- f) Core competencies: Problem solving skills, critical thinking, collaborative learning and personal development
- **g) T.L.R.(s):** Mathematical set, ruler, learner's desk
- h) Reference: MOE (2019) Mathematics Curriculum for primary schools (4-6), p. 39
- i) Phase 1/Starter: Engage learners in the 'double-up game'. E.g. teacher call out 3 and learners must call out the double (2x) of 3
- j) Phase 2/Main:
 - i. Engage learners to compare a math set and an exercise book to find out which one has the largest perimeter
 - ii. Engage learners to measure with a ruler and calculate the actual perimeter and compare their answers
 - iii. Learners use graph sheet/10cm x 10cm grid to explore the area of irregular cutout shapes
 - iv. Give regular/irregular shapes with side lengths and ask learners to sum up the side lengths to obtain the perimeter

Assessment: Learners to practise with more examples

k) Phase 3/Reflection: Review lesson with learners by giving them a task to solve in their workbooks.

Appendix 5.2

Sample lesson plan in mathematics (Basic 7).

An example of an outline for teaching Number from the Basic School Curriculum

- a) Strand 1: Number
- b) Sub-strand 4: Ratio and Proportion
- c) Content Standard: B7.1.4.1: Demonstrate understanding of the concept of ratios and its relationship to fractions and use it to solve problems that involve rates, ratios, and proportional reasoning
- d) Indicator: B7.1.4.1.3: Make tables of equivalent ratios (written as common

- fractions) relating quantities that are proportional
- e) Performance Indicator: Learners can use ratio language to describe relationship between two quantities
- f) Core competencies: Problem solving skills, critical thinking, collaborative learning and personal development
- a) T.L.R.(s): Table of Equivalent Ratio, etc.
- g) Reference: MOE (2021) Mathematics Curriculum for Basic 7-10(CCP), pp. 22-23
- h) Phase 1/Starter: Revise with learners on the previous lesson.

Call volunteer learners to the board to solve sample questions.

Introduce the lesson by sharing performance indicators.

- i) Phase 2/Main: In pairs/groups guide learners to use application of proportion in solving problems in mathematics.
 - i. Find the total ratio. The ratio x:y gives you (x+y). For instance, 2:3 gives you (2+3)
 - **ii.** Find what one part is. Thus, the part corresponding to x, y or z. Each share corresponding to x can be found by using the fraction = $\frac{x}{x+y}$. Similarly, = $\frac{y}{x+y}$
 - *iii.* Find the total ratio. The ratio x:y:z gives you (x+y+z). For instance, 2:3:4 gives you (2+3+4)

E.g.

i. Question:

A woman shares her money between her son Qwasi and daughter Fadila in the ratio 1:2 respectively. If the amount to shared is GH\$\cup\$120.00. What is Fadila's share?

Solution:

- First write down their ratios;
 Qwasi: Fadila = 1:2
- Find their total ratio 1+2 =3
- Now find their individual fractions: $Qwasi = \frac{1}{2} \text{ and Fadila } = \frac{2}{2}$

- \circ The amount to be shared = GH¢120.00
- Find two-third of the amount to be shared

Fadila's share =
$$\frac{2}{3} \times GH$$
¢120
Fadila's share = GH ¢80.00

ii. Question:

Bayuo, Adoley and Jantuah shared an amount of money in the ratio of their ages. Bayuo is 36 years old, Adoley is 48years and Jantuah is 24years old. If Jantuah received GH¢24000, how much money did they share?

Solution:

First write down their ratios;
 Bayuo: Adoley: Jantuah = 36:48:24

Names	Equivalent Ratios			
Вауио	36	18	9	3
Adoley	48	24	12	4
Jantuah	24	12	6	2

- Using Table of Equivalent Ratio, their equivalent ratio will be = 3:4:2
- Find their total ratio3+4+2 = 9
- Now find what one part is: Jantuah = 24000 that is 2:24000. Let **a** be the amount shared. Bayuo's share = $\frac{3}{9}a$, Adoley's share = $\frac{4}{9}a$ and Jantuah's share = $\frac{2}{9}a$ Bayuo's share = $\frac{3}{9} \times a$ = 24000 $a = \frac{9 \times 24000}{3} = GH (72000)$

Learners go ahead to find Jantuah's and Adoley's share

Assessment: Learners practice with more examples

- A man shares his money between his sons Dapilah and Kwaku in the ratio 2:3. If Dapilah's share is 100, find the amount shared and Kwaku's share.
- ii. A green paint is mixed from blue and yellow paint in the ratio 3:5. How much of

- each colour is needed to make 40liters of his green paint?
- j) Phase 3/ Reflection: Use peer discussion and effective questioning to find out from learners what they have learnt during the lesson. Take feedback from learners and summarize the lesson

PLC Session for Topic 6: Community of Practice

Focus: the bullet points provide the frame for what is to be done in the session. The writer should use the bullets to guide what they write for the PLC Coordinators and teachers to do and say during each session. Each bullet needs to be addressed	Guidance Notes on Teacher Activity during the PLC Session. What teachers will do during each stage of the session.	Time in session
1. Introduction to session	 1.1 Read the purpose, Learning Outcomes (LOs) and Learning Indicators (LIs) of the session. Purpose: The purpose of this session is to support teachers to become aware of and be guided by the Code of Conduct that regulates the teaching profession and the need to actively participate in activities of their community of practice. LO 1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of how the teacher is guided by the Code of Conduct in their development as a professional teacher (NTS 1d). LI 1.1 List at least five dos and five don'ts in the Code of Conduct in the professional development of a teacher. LI 1.2 Discuss at least three dos and three don'ts in the Code of Conduct pertaining to the professional development of the teacher. LI 1.3 Discuss at least three implications/penalties prescribed by the Code of Conduct. LO 2: Collaborate positively with colleagues, learners, parents, SMC, PTA and wider public as part of community of practice (NTS 1e, 1g). 	10 mins

LI 2.1 Discuss the need for teachers to actively participate and sensitize stakeholders in school meetings, PTA, SMC, etc., appropriately.
LI 2.2 Enumerate and analyse at least two benefits of knowing the teacher's community of practice and the background of learners.
1.2 Use think-pair-share (think on your own, compare ideas and share with the whole group) to list at least five items in the teacher's Code of Conduct in their professional development (NTS 1d).

E.g.

Regarding the dos, a teacher shall;

- a) prepare relevant and adequate lesson notes
- b) set and mark adequate amount of exercises, etc.

Regarding the don'ts, a teacher shall not;

- a) make derogatory remarks in exercise books of a learner
- b) make a pupil/student copy exercises/notes on the chalkboard/white board while he/she is present or absent, etc.
- 1.3 In pairs/groups discuss at least three dos and don'ts in the Code of Conduct pertaining to the professional development of the teacher (NTS 1d).

E.g.

Derive and discuss at least three dos and three don'ts in the Code of Conduct stated in Activity 1.2

1.4 In pairs/groups discuss at least three implications/penalties prescribed by the Code of Conduct (NTS 1d).

E.g.

Warning, forfeiture of salary, stoppage of increment, suspension with loss of pay, deferment of increment, etc.

misconceptions and stereotypes, GESI, ICT, 21 st century skills, etc.	stereotypes in learning various subjects such as English language (NTS 3m). E.g. a) English language is not meant to be studied b) English language is a subject for women,	
Give regard for	Knowing the learner's background; a) helps to structure lessons to meet the needs of learners b) informs the choice of activities to select for the lessons, etc. 1.7 Identify possible misconceptions and	10mins
	E.g. Knowing the community of practice; a) enhances community cooperation b) helps to identify qualified resource persons, etc.	
	1.6 Use thought-shower (generate new ideas and discuss them) to enumerate and analyse at least two benefits of knowing your community of practice, background of learners and encouraging parents to support their wards in education (NTS 1g, 1f and 2f).	
	E.g. Participation helps to; a) contribute positively to PTA and SMC meetings b) engage in community sensitization, etc.	
	1.5 Discuss the need to actively participate and sensitize stakeholders in school meetings, PTA, SMC, etc., appropriately (NTS 1e).	

E.g.

- a) English language lessons should be activity-based
- b) Learners should be introduced to reading at their early stages of mental development, etc.
- 1.9 Identify at least three activities that promote GESI and SEL responsiveness in the classroom (NTS 2e, 2f, 3f, 3g, 3h, 3i, 3j, 3k, 3l, 3m, 3n and 3o).

E.g.

- a) Encourage mixed sex groupings
- b) Ensure equal participation of both males and females during role play, dialogues and so on
- c) Involve learners in decision making processes in the classroom, etc.
- 1.10 Identify at least three ways of incorporating ICT into your lessons taking into consideration different learning styles (NTS 3j).

E.g.

- a) Surfing Open Educational Resources and other Internet sources for information
- b) Using ICT tools to conduct assessment tasks, etc.
- 1.11 Discuss at least three possible strategies you would adopt to develop 21st century skills in your learners (NTS 3a, 3b, 3c and 3d).

Note:

Communication skills

E.g.

- a) Group discussion
- b) Role-play, etc.

Collaboration

- a) Group discussion
- b) Project/research, etc.

		Observation and enquiry skills	
		E.g.	
		a) Group discussion	
		b) Project/research, etc.	
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		Creativity and innovation	
		E.g.	
		a) Group discussion	
		b) Project/research, etc.	
		Personal development	
		E.g.	
		a) Group discussion	
		b) Project/research, etc.	
		by Projective Scarcin, etc.	
		Global citizenship	
		E.g.	
		Providing opportunities for teachers to engage	
		in discussions on national and international	
		issues through the use of:	
		a) Groupwork	
2	Diamaina for tooching	b) Project/research, etc.	10
2.	Planning for teaching,	2.1 Discuss samples of your lesson plan based	10mins
	learning and	on the Pre-Tertiary Education Curriculum	
	assessment activities	(Standards-based curriculum) in your respective	
	for the lesson/s making	subjects and link them to the NTS (NTS 3a, 3e,	
	links to the relationship between the Basic	3g and 3j).	
		Defer to Appendices 6.1 for Desig F and 6.2 for	
	School Curriculum and	Refer to Appendices 6.1 for Basic 5 and 6.2 for	
	the NTS	Basic 7 for sample lesson plans on English	
		language.	
		2.2 Tease out the LOs and the LIs from the	
		sample lesson plan. (NTS 3a, 3e, 3g and 3j)	
		E.g.	
		LO: Apply the knowledge of verbs in	
		communication	
		LI 1 Use subject verb agreement appropriately in	
		speech	
		LI 2 Use subject verb agreement appropriately in	
		writing	
3.	Teaching, learning,	3.1 Identify at least two activities that promote	
	resources and	GESI and SEL responsiveness in your sample	
	assessment	lesson plans (NTS 3c, 3e, 3f and 3g).	

		E.g. Learners complete sentences with verbs in pairs (males and females), etc. 3.2 Identify at least three resources that can be used to deliver the lesson (NTS 3j). E.g. a) sentence cards b) word cards, etc. 3.3 Discuss how the session is linked to the use of formative assessment purposes and practices for assessment for learning and assessment as learning (NTS 3k, 3l and 3m).	
		E.g. a) Assessment as; the review of subjects and verbs in simple sentences by individual learners b) Assessment for; writing the correct forms of verbs to	
		agree with subjects, etc. 3.4 Model a sample activity in the	
		sample lesson (EXTENSION ACTIVITY).	
4.	Evaluation and review	4.1 Reflect individually and write what you have	10 mins
"	of session:	learned in the session (NTS 1a, 1b).	
0	Identifying and	4.2 Share what you have written with the larger	
	addressing any	group (NTS 1a, 1b).	
	outstanding issues		
	relating to the lesson/s	4.3 Identify a colleague to observe your lesson	
	for clarification	in relation to PLC Session 7 and provide feedback to you.	
0	Noting that teachers		
	need to identify critical	4.4 Remember to read Session 8 of the PLC	
	friends to observe	Handbook and come along with both their NTS	
	lessons and report at next session	Guide and a sample lesson plan in preparation for the next session.	
		4.5 You may come along with areas you find challenging in your teaching (NTS 3a).	

5. Appendix 6.1

(E.g. sample lesson plan in English language: Refer to English Language curriculum: B5 pg. 112)

An example of an outline for teaching conversation/everyday discourse.

- a) Strand: Grammar and Usage at Word and Phrase Levels
- b) Sub-strand: Verb
- c) Content Standard: B5.3.5.1: Apply the knowledge of verbs in communication
- d) Indicator: B5.3.5.1.2. Use subject verb agreement appropriately
- e) Performance Indicator:

Learners can construct simple sentences in which subjects agree with their verbs

f) Core Competencies:

Communication and Collaboration, Personal Development and Leadership, Creativity and Innovation, Critical Thinking and Problem-Solving

g) Key words:

First person, second person, third person, agreement, etc.

h) Resources:

Sentence cards and word cards.

i) Phase 1: Starter

Review subjects and verbs in simple sentences.

Learners pick sentence cards and identify the SV elements in them. e.g.

- i. Ama gave Kofi a pencil.
- ii. I like mangoes.
- iii. He came here yesterday.
- iv. I hate dogs.

Invite learners to write their own sentences on the chalkboard/whiteboard and identify the SV elements in them.

j) Phase 2: New Learning

Show sentence cards to learners and ask them which ones are correct or wrong. Ask for their reasons.

- i. We eats food every day.
- ii. Ajuba has a nice mobile phone.
- iii. They goes to school.
- iv. We wash our uniforms.

- v. She have a new book.
- vi. My father have a car.

Use examples to introduce and explain subject-verb agreement.

E.g.

- i. You have a nice smile.
- ii. He has a nice smile.

The verb must always agree with its subject: Singular subject agrees with singular verb and plural subject agrees with plural verb Present sentences for learners (in pairs; mixed-gender) to complete with the appropriate verb.

- i. He ... (am, is) going to school.
- ii. Ama ... (has, have) a black pen.Present sentences for learners (in pairs) to complete with the appropriate subjects.
- i. is going to hospital.
- ii. The have money.

Give more examples for learners to practice

Assessment:

Write the correct form of each of the underlined verb so that it agrees with its subject.

- i. Yaw <u>go</u> to school early.
- ii. Maame Attaa <u>pound</u> fufu every evening.
- iii. I <u>has</u> money in my purse.
- iv. Kofi have finished his work.
- v. She sing at church

k) Phase 3: Reflection

What have we learned today? Expected answers

- a) A sentence must have a subject and a verb.
- b) The subject must agree with the verb.

6. Appendix 6.2

(E.g. sample lesson plan in English language: refer to English Language curriculum: B7 pg. 12) An example of an outline for teaching Grammar.

- a) Strand: Grammar usage
- **b) Sub Strand:** Types of pronouns (personal pronouns)
- c) Content Standard: B7.3.1.1: Apply the knowledge of pronouns and their functions in Communication.
- d) Indicator: B7.3.1.1.6. Use pronouns accurately to link ideas in everyday discourse
- e) Performance Indicator:

Learners can use personal pronouns accurately to link ideas in everyday discourse

f) Core Competencies:

Communication and Collaboration, Personal

Development and Leadership, Creativity and

Innovation, Critical Thinking and Problem-Solving

- **g) Key words:** Pronouns, personal, possessive, reciprocal, reflexive, repetition
- **h) Resources:** Tape recorder, short story on manila card, and sentence card.
- i) Phase 1: Starter

Revise learner's knowledge on previous lesson.

Share performance indicators with learners.

j) Phase 2: New learning

Learners listen attentively to a recorded audio on a short story and write the nouns in that story.

Paste the short story on the manila card on the board which contains repetitions of nouns.

E.g.

Awo and Ama are friends. Awo and Ama live at Pakro with Awo and Ama's parents. Pakro is a big town. One day Mr. Nti decided to visit Awo and Ama's parents. Mr. Nti brought a lot of gifts for Ama. Ama was so overjoyed that Ama run to inform Ama's friend.

Learners read the story aloud in pairs (male/female).

Ask learners questions on their opinions of the story.

Expected answer:

Repetition makes the story boring. Ask learners what can be done to avoid the repetition of the nouns.

Through discussion introduce the concept of pronoun.

Pronouns are words used in place of nouns

Ask learners which pronouns can be used to replace the repeated nouns in the short story.

Expected answers:

She, they, he, their, her
Introduce the types of pronouns to
learners and discuss personal pronouns
with them

Personal, possessive, reciprocal, reflexive, etc.

Personal pronouns are categorized by person. There are three-person categories:

1. First person:

Singular – I, me

Plural - we, us

2. Second person:

singular – you

plural – you

3. Third person:

Singular - He, she, it,

Plural – they, them, her, him,

Use examples of the personal pronouns in sentences to bring out the understanding.

- 1. He gave me a pen.
- 2. I normally eat in the morning.
- 3. She was not with us yesterday.
- 4. We are late for school.

Ask learners in groups to replace the underlined nouns with personal pronouns on the sentence cards shown them.

- 1. Abena visited Kweku and Akuvi.
- 2. Fati and Osei are friends.

- 3. The teacher punished the whole class.
- 4. My dog likes big bones.
- 5. <u>Kodua and Ataa</u> are playing.
- 6. Esi and I are travelling to Wa next week.

Assessment

Ask learners to write five sentences and identify the personal pronouns in them.

k) Phase 3: Reflection

Use peer discussion and effective questioning to find out from learners what they have learnt during the lesson.

Take feedback from learners and summarize the lesson.

PLC Session 7: Knowledge of Educational Frameworks and Curriculum

Focus: the bullet points provide the frame for what is to be done in the session. The writer should use the bullets to guide what they write for the PLC Coordinators and teachers to do and say during each session. Each bullet needs to be addressed	Guidance Notes on Teacher Activity during the PLC Session. What teachers will do during each stage of the session.	Time in session
Introduction to new session	1.1 Share the findings of a lesson observed with the whole group.1.2 Read the purpose, Learning Outcomes (LOs)	15 mins
	and Learning Indicators (LIs) of the session.	
	Purpose: The purpose of the session is to help teachers demonstrate understanding of the knowledge of educational frameworks and curriculum in the NTS.	
	LO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the structure of the Standards-Based Curriculum (SBC) (NTS 2b, 2c and 2d).	
	LI 1.1 List the components of the SBC.	
	LI 1.2 State at least two challenges with the implementation of the SBC.	
	LO 2: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of subject matter for the effective classroom delivery (NTS 2b, 2c, 3a 3d and 3e).	
	LI 2.1 List the strands of any subject of the SBC.	
	LI 2.2 Mention four structures of the SBC.	
	LI 2.2 State at least five strategies that can be used to facilitate the implementation of the content of any subject.	

1.3 In groups/pairs discuss and come out with the components of the SBC and share with the whole group (NTS 2b, 2c and 2d). E.g. a) Structure b) Content, etc. 1.4 Use think-pair-share (think individually, share with a colleague and together share with the whole group) to come out with the structure of the SBC (NTS 2a, 2b and 2d). E.g. a) Strands b) Sub-strands c) Core competencies d) Indicators, etc. 1.5 Use think-pair-share to state four challenges with the implementation of the SBC and then share with the larger group (NTS 2b). E.g. a) Lack of textbooks b) Inadequate training on the SBC, etc. 1.6 In groups/pairs, state the strands of any subject such as science in the SBC (NTS 2b, 2c, 3a, 3d and 3e). E.g. a) Diversity of matter b) Cycles c) Systems, etc. 1.7 Mention five strategies that can be used to facilitate the teaching of the subject (NTS 2b, 2c, 3a, 3c, 3d, 3e, 3i, and 3j). E.g. a) Groupwork b) Discussions c) Radio reporting, etc.

1.8 Identify possible misconceptions and

such as science (NTS 2c, 2d and 2e).

stereotypes in the learning of various subjects

Give regard for

misconceptions and

stereotypes, GESI, ICT, 21st century skills, etc.

E.g.

- a) Science is difficult to learn
- b) Science is meant for males
- c) It is extremely difficult to manipulate science apparatus, etc.
- 1.9 Discuss with teachers how these misconceptions about the teaching and learning of various subjects such as science can be addressed (NTS 2c, 2d and 2e).

E.g.

- a) Adopt the right strategies. For instance, making the teaching of science more practical
- b) Provide career guidance to learners
- c) Engage role models to interact with the learners on the benefits of science, etc.
- 1.10 Identify strategies and activities that promote GESI responsiveness in the classroom (NTS 3a, 3c).

E.q.

- a) Use non-discriminatory practices within the learning environment
- b) Use mixed-ability groupings
- c) Use gender responsive pedagogies, etc.
- 1.11 Identify two ways of incorporating ICT in your lessons taking into consideration different learning styles (NTS 3i, 3j).

E.q.

Surfing Open Educational Resources and other Internet sources for information, etc.

1.12 Discuss at least three possible strategies you would adopt to develop 21st century skills in your learners (NTS 3a, 3b, 3c and 3d).

Note:

Communication skill

- a) Group discussion
- b) Role-play, etc.

		Collaboration	
		E.g.	
		a) Discussion in groups /pairs	
		b) Project/research, etc.	
		b) Project/research, etc.	
		Observation and enquiry skills	
		E.g.	
		a) Group discussion	
		b) Project/research, etc.	
		Creativity and innovation	
		E.g.	
		a) Group discussion	
		b) Project/research	
		c) Role-play, etc.	
		Personal development	
		E.g.	
		a) Group discussion	
		b) Project/research	
		c) Role- play, etc.	
		Cultural identity and Global citizenship:	
		Providing opportunities for teachers to engage	
		in discussions on national and international	
		issues through the use of;	
		E.g.	
		a) Group discussion	
		b) Project/research	
		c) Role-play, etc.	
2.	Planning for teaching,	2.1 Discuss samples of your lesson plans based	20 mins
	learning and	on the SBC in your respective subjects and link	
	assessment activities	them to the NTS	
	for the lesson/s making	(NTS 3a, 3e, 3g and 3j).	
	Links to the relationship		
	between the Basic	Refer to Appendices 6.1 and 6.2 for a sample	
	School Curriculum and	lesson plan in science	
	the NTS		
		2.2 Tease out the LO and LIs from the sample	
		lesson plan.	
		E.g.	
		LO: Recognise that different parts of the human	
		body work interdependently to perform a	
		specific function	
<u></u>			

	LI 1.1 Identify the external human body parts by	
	their appropriate names (e.g., eyes, ears,	
	mouth, nose, legs, hands, shoulders, knees,	
	fingers, toes and chest)	
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	LI 1.2 State the function of at least two parts of	
	the human body.	
	•	40 :
3. Teaching, learning,	3.1 Identify at least four strategies and activities	10 mins
resources and	that promote SEL and GESI responsiveness in	
assessment	your sample lesson plans (NTS 3c,3e,3f, 3g).	
	E.g.	
	a) Mixed - grouping	
	b) Classroom arrangement that facilitates	
	interaction among all learners, etc.	
	g a sur	
	3.2 Identify four resources that can be used to	
	deliver the sample lesson.	
	deliver the sumple lesson.	
	E.g.	
	a) Pictures/flashcards of parts of the	
	human body	
	b) An outline drawing of the human body,	
	etc	
	3.3 Discuss how the session is linked to the use	
	of formative assessment tools and practices, for	
	example, assessment for learning and	
	assessment as learning (NTS 3k, 3l and 3m).	
	E.g.	
	a) Self-assessment- assessment as learning,	
	for instance peer-assessment	
	b) Assessment for learning, for instance	
	portfolio building	
	c)	
	3.4 Model a teaching activity in your sample	
	lesson (EXTENSION ACTIVITY).	

4.	Evaluation and review	4.1 Reflect and write what you have learned in	10 mins
	of session:	the session (NTS 1a).	
0	Identifying and	4.2 Share what you have written with the larger	
	addressing any	group (NTS 1a).	
	outstanding issues	8.247	
	relating to the lesson/s	4.3 Identify a colleague to observe your lessons	
	for clarification	in relation to PLC Session 7 and provide	
	ior ciarrication	·	
		feedback to them.	
0	Noting that teachers		
	need to identify critical	4.4 Remember to read session 8 of the PLC	
	friends to observe	Handbook and come along with both your NTS	
	lessons and report at	Guide and a sample lesson plan in preparation	
	next session	for the next session.	
		4.5 You may come along with areas you find	
		challenging in your teaching.	
5.	Appendix 7.1	See appendices 6.1 and 6.2 for a <u>sample lesson</u>	
••	, ppendix 712	plan in Science	
		An example of an outline for teaching the	
		human body system in the 2019 Science	
		1	
		standards-based curriculum *	
		a) Strand: Systems	
		b) Sub-strand: The human body system	
		c) Content Standard: B1.3.1.1 Recognize that	
		different parts of the human body work	
		interdependently to perform a specific	
		function	
		d) Indicator: B1.3.1.1.1 Identify the external	
		human body parts by their appropriate	
		names (e.g., eyes, ears, mouth, nose, legs,	
		hands, shoulders, knees, fingers, toes and	
		chest)	
		e) Lesson: 1	
		f) Performance Indicator: Learners can identify	
		the human body parts with their appropriate	
		names and understand the interdependency	
		of the parts.	
		g) CoreCompetencies/Values: Personal	
		Development,	
		Leadership, Digital Literacy, Critical Thinking	
		and Problem Solving.	
		Creativity and Innovation	
		h) Keywords: External, eyes, ears, mouth, nose,	
		legs, hands, shoulders, knees, fingers, toes	
		and chest	

- i) References: Science curriculum for B1- B3, pg.
- j) Starter: learners sing a song involving the parts of the body and show actions. E.g., "my head, my shoulders, my knees, my toes"
- k) Phase 1:

Have the learners stand and form a circle, sing the following words, have them use body actions to do the movements in the song. Teacher models, and leads the movements throughout the song. E.g., "my head, my shoulders, my knees and toes" or "show me your head, show me your eyes"

I) Phase 2: Main (new learning including assessment)

- i) Have learners get into pairs and identify external parts of the human body on each other.
- Teacher uses videos; charts/pictures to guide learners identify the external parts of the human body
- iii) Put learners into groups and give each group flash cards of parts of the human body.
- iv) Asks learners in their groups to arrange the flash cards of body parts to form the human body on a cardboard.
- v) Ask each group to display their work for discussion.
- vi) Ask each learner to draw an outline of the human body, put in the eyes, ears, mouth, nose, and chest, and use a colour of their choice to colour their drawing.
- vii) Learners display their work for discussion
- viii) Learners build a human body using clay or blue tack.

Assessment

Why is it good to have all the parts of the human body working well?

I) Phase 3: Plenary/Reflections (Learner and teacher): Teacher moves round the groups to find out the progress learners are making with respect to the task given them and where necessary ask questions to guide them

	Teacher facilitates the presentations and	
	sum up the learning outcomes.	
	m) Resources: Pictures/ flashcards of parts of	
	the human body, an outline drawing of the	
	human body, pencils, crayons, erasers, cello	
	tape, broadsheets of paper	
6. Appendix 7.2	a) Strand: Systems	
	b) Sub-strand: Materials	
	c) Content Standard: Show an understanding	
	of the concept of food, the process of	
	digestion and appreciate its importance in	
	humans	
	d) Indicator(s) B7.3.1.1.1 Explain the concept	
	of food and the needs for humans to eat	
	e) Performance indicator: Learner can explain	
	the concept of food and the needs for	
	humans to eat.	
	f) Core competencies:	
	E.g.	
	Collaborative problem solving, Leadership,	
	creativity and innovation, critical thinking,	
	communication, digital literacy	
	g) Key words/Vocabulary: Carbohydrates,	
	proteins, fats and oils, fibre, vitamins	
	h) References: Science curriculum for B7, pg	
	i) Phase 1: Starter (preparing the brain for	
	learning)	
	Let learners discuss what food is and	
	mention the nutrients such as proteins,	
	vitamins, carbohydrate (starch and sugars),	
	minerals etc.	
	j) Phase 2: Main (new learning including	
	assessment)	
	k) Engage learners to identify food nutrients in	
	common food substances such as cassava,	
	bread, groundnuts, beans, meat etc.	
	<i>I)</i> Put learners in groups or in pairs for them to	
	discuss the importance of food.	
	m) Let learners compare and contrast the	
	appearance of people in pictures who have	
	been starved with those who well.	
	n) Ask learners to do group presentation based	
	on their comparisons.	

Homework/project work/community engagement suggestions

Let learners do the following as homework:

- a) Explain what food is.
- **b)** Identify food nutrients in the following: meat, orange, yam, "kontomire", water and palm oil.
- *c)* Write down four importance of food.
- **d)** Identify the minerals on the following brands of bottled water (Standard, Voltic, Verna, Bell Aqua,)

NB: The minerals are listed on the labels of the bottle water

Phase 3: Plenary/Reflections (Learner and teacher)

Allow one learner from each group to tell the class what they have learnt. Encourage learners not to repeat already mentioned responses.

Cross-curriculum links/ Cross-cutting issues

E.g.

Career technology: Learners will use their knowledge in nutrients to draw meals menu based on food nutrient requirement of persons

Potential misconceptions/student learning difficulties

E.g.

The misconception that water is not food must be cleared; its nutrients are the minerals found in it

Resources/Equipment

Pictures of real food items e.g. meat, palm oil, cassava, animal fat etc. Charts of classes of food nutrients, Pictures of lean and fat people

PLC Session 8: Knowledge of Learners

Focus: the bullet points provide the frame for what is to be done in the session. The writer should use the bullets to guide what they write for the PLC Coordinators and teachers to do and say during each session. Each bullet needs to be addressed	Guidance Notes on Teacher Activity during the PLC Session. What teachers will do during each stage of the session.	Time in session
1. Introduction to session	 1.1 Read the purpose, learning outcomes (LOs) and learning indicators (LIs) of Session 8 for this unit. Purpose: This session aims at equipping the teacher with the required knowledge of the developmental stages of learners and their implications for teaching and learning. LO 1: Demonstrate understanding of how learners develop and learn in different contexts and apply this in teaching (NTS 2e). LI 1.1 List the developmental stages of learners (NTS 2e). LI 1.2 Explain the developmental stages of learners (NTS 2e). LI 1.3 Explain at least three types of learning styles (NTS 2b, 2c, 2e, 2f, 3a and 3d). LO 2: Identify and respect learners' culture, linguistic, socio-economic and educational background in planning and teaching (NTS 2f). LI 2.1 Mention at least three socio-economic backgrounds of learners (NTS 2f). LI 2.2 Classify the learner's educational background (NTS 2f, 3a). LI 2.3 Explain the effect of learner's cultural and linguistic background on planning and teaching (NTS 2f, 3a and 3g). 	10 mins

1.2 In pairs / groups, list the develop-mental stages of learners (NTS 2e).
stages of learners (NT3 2e).
E.g.
Piaget's developmental stages:
a) Sensory motor b) Pre-operational
c)
d)
<i>uy</i>
1.3 In pairs/groups, explain the developmental
stages of learners in your class (NTS 2e).
E.g.
Piaget's developmental stages-
a) Sensory motor stage: Between 0-2 years.
Learners learn through sensory
experiences. Learners develop language
at a later stage
b) Pre-operational: Between 2-7 years.
Learners are egocentric and cannot do
complex task. They learn through
imitation
c)
d)
1.4 List and explain at least three types of
learning styles in your classroom (NTS 2b, 2c, 2e,
2f, 3a and 3d).
E.g.
a) Auditory: Learning through hearing. It
involves explanations, group discussions
and reading. These learners prefer
reading out aloud to themselves
b) Exploratory: learners explore and
experiment to uncover relationships, etc.
1.5 Use think-pair-share to discuss at least three
socio-economic backgrounds of your learners
(NTS 2f, 3a and 3g).
E.g.
a) Living with single parent:
A child living with one parent who takes
care of them
b) Child labour: The exploitation of children
through any form of work that denrives

them of their childhood, interference with their ability to attend regular school and is mentally, physically and morally harmful, etc. 1.6 Classify your learners' performance in their previous class for planning, teaching and grouping them according to their performances (NTS 3f, 3g, 3h and 3j). E.q. a) High achiever: A learner who gets high marks and good grades consistently over a long period of time b) Average achiever: A learner who scores average grades consistently over a long period of time and keeps pushing forward to better opportunities c) 1.7 In pairs/groups, discuss at least three effects of learner's cultural and linguistic backgrounds on planning and teaching (NTS 2f, 3a and 3g). E.g. There is a demand on the teacher to gather and use a) appropriate Teaching and Learning Resources (TLRs) b) appropriate assessment activities to cater for learners' backgrounds, etc. Give regard for 1.8 Mention at least three possible 10 mins misconceptions and misconceptions and stereotypes in learning stereotypes, GESI, ICT, 21st various subjects such as mathematics (NTS 3m). century skills, etc. E.g. a) Boys are better in mathematics than girls b) Mathematics is not creative, etc. 1.9 Mention at least three ways these misconceptions about teaching and learning (e.g., in mathematics classroom) can be addressed (NTS 3m).

E.g.

- a) Give equal opportunities to both boys and girls in solving mathematics problems
- b) Use hands-on activities to help learners explore and construct their learning, etc.
- 1.10 Mention at least three activities that promote GESI and SEL responsiveness in the classroom (NTS 3a, 3b, 3c, 3d, 3e and 3f). *E.g.*
 - a) Use mixed-gender and mixed-ability groupings and allow self-reflection
 - b) Use patient with stutterers, etc.
- 1.11 Identify at least two ways of Incorporating ICT into your lessons taking into consideration different learning styles (NTS 3i, 3j).

E.g.

Surfing Open Educational Resources and other Internet sources for information, etc.

1.12 Discuss at least three possible strategies you would adopt to develop 21st century skills in your learners (NTS 3a, 3b, 3c and 3d).

Note:

Communication skills

E.g.

- a) Games/play
- b) Group discussion, etc.

Collaboration skills

E.q.

- a) Group discussion
- b) Project/research, etc.

Observation and enquiry skills

E.g.

- a) Group discussion
- b) Project/research, etc.

Creativity and innovation skills

E.g.

a) Group discussion

Personal development skills	
E.g.	
a) Games/play	
b) Project/research, etc.	
Global citizenship skills	
E.g.	
Providing opportunities for teachers to engage	
in discussions on national and international	
issues through the use of:	
a) Groupwork	
b) Role-play, etc.	
	mins
learning and on the Pre-tertiary curriculum (Standards- based	
assessment activities curriculum) in line with a particular subject and	
for the lesson/s making link them to the NTS (NTS 3a, 3e, 3g and 3j). Links to the	
relationship between Refer to Appendix 8.1 (BS1-BS6)	
the Basic School Refer to Appendix 8.2 (BS 7-BS9)	
Curriculum and the	
NTS 2.2 Tease out the LOs and LIs from the sample	
lesson plan.	
E.g.	
From Appendix 8.1	
LO: Demonstrate understanding of addition and	
subtraction of algebraic expression	
LI 1 Add and subtract algebraic expressions	
LI 2 Create algebraic expressions from real life	
situations	
LI 3 Solve word problems involving algebraic	
expressions	
·	mins
resources and least two activities that promote GESI and SEL	
assessment responsiveness (NTS 3a, 3b, 3c, 3e, 3f and 3g).	
E.g.	
Using mixed-ability and mixed- gender	
groupings, etc.	
3.2 In pairs/groups, identify at least three	
resources that can be used to deliver the lesson	
(NTS 3j, 3k).	

		E.g.	
		a) Phones/laptops	
		b) Projectors, etc.	
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		3.3 Discuss how the lesson plan is linked to the	
		use of formative assessment tools (assessment	
		'for' and assessment 'as') and practices NTS 3k,	
		, .	
		3l and 3m).	
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		E.g.	
		a) Assessment as:	
		i. Giving self-reflective class exercise on	
		algebraic expression, etc.	
		b) Assessment for:	
		i. Learners in groups, work on more	
		examples on algebraic expressions, etc.	
		3.4 Model teaching activity in the sample lesson	
		(EXTENSION ACTIVITY).	
4.	Evaluation and review	4.1 Reflect individually and write what you have	10 mins
	of session:	learned in the session (NTS 1a, 1b and 3e).	
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0	Identifying and	4.2 Share your reflections with the larger group	
	addressing any	(NTS 1a, 1b).	
	<u> </u>	(N13 1a, 1b).	
	outstanding issues	4.2 Identifica calleggio to absence vacin laccon	
	relating to the lesson/s	4.3 Identify a colleague to observe your lesson	
	for clarification	in relation to PLC Session 8 and provide	
		feedback to your lesson (NTS 3I).	
0	Noting that teachers		
	need to identify critical	4.4 Remember to read Session 10 of the PLC	
	friends to observe	Handbook and come along with both NTS Guide	
	lessons and report at	and a sample lesson plan in preparation for the	
	next session	next session (NTS 3a).	
		4.5 You may come along with areas you find	
		challenging in your teaching (NTS 3a).	
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5. Appendix 8.1

An example of an outline for teaching algebraic expressions from the Standards-Based Curriculum (*Teachers would be guided to tease out the LOs and the LIs from the sample lesson)

- a) Strand: Number
- b) **Sub-Strand:** Counting, Representation, Cardinality & Ordinality from 0 to 10,000 in equivalent ways using the place value concept.
- c) **Content standard:** Count and estimate quantities from 0-10,000 (B3.1.1.1).
- d) Indicator: Describe numbers and the relationship between numbers from 0 to 10,000 in equivalent ways using the place value concept (B3.1.1.1.3).
- e) Core Competences:
 - i. Collaboration
 - ii. Observation and enquiry skillsiii. Critical thinking and problem solving
- f) **Reference:** Mathematics Curriculum for B1-B3, pg. 43
- g) **Key Vocabulary:** Place value, number wheel, relationship, equivalent
- h) Teaching learning Resources(TLRs):
 - i. Phones/Laptops
 - ii. Projectors
 - iii. Number wheel
 - iv. Place value chart
 - v. Multi--base block
- i) Phase 1(Starter): Guide leaners to skip count in twos, threes, tens, and so on backward and forward.
- *j)* Phase 2 (Tasks/activities):
 - i) Demonstrate a combination of bundles of sticks and loose ones or multi-base blocks to learners and ask them to identify and mention their values. E.g.
 - 1. 3 bundles of bundles, 4 bundles and 2 units representing three hundred and forty-two (342)
 - 2. 4 flats, 5 longs and 9 cubes representing four hundred and fiftynine (459)
 - ii. Guide learners to identify the relationship between ones, tens and hundreds using bundles of sticks and

loose ones or multi-base blocks E.g. 1. How many hundreds and ones are in 2. How many tens and ones are in 45 iii. Show a video on how to play the number wheel game for learners to appreciate. iv. Guide learners in groups to play a game by casting marbles on the number wheel and represent the outcome on the place value chart. E.g. Move round to observe Hundre Tens Ones the learners' ds activities and provide support where necessary v. Guide learners to write the expanded forms of given numbers between 0 and 10,000. E.g. 1. Write the expanded form of 7,209 Write the expanded form of 5,634 *j)* Assessment: Learners to solve problem. Write the place values of the underlined digits in 1. **8**97 2. 4**5**,201 3. 20,0<u>4</u>2 k) **Phase 3 (Plenary/Reflection):** Recap the lesson by asking learners to come out with what they have learned from the lesson 6. Appendix 8.2 An example of an outline for teaching algebraic expressions from the 2020 Common Core Programme curriculum (Teachers would be guided to tease out the LOs and the LIs from the sample lesson) a) Strand: Algebra b) Sub-Strand: Algebraic expressions c) **Indicator**:

- i. Group Algebraic expressions of like terms correctly
- ii. B7.2.2.1.2 Perform addition and subtraction of algebraic expressions
- d) Core Competences:
 - i. Collaboration
 - ii. Observation and enquiry skills
 - iii. Critical thinking and problem solving
 - iv. Personal development, etc.
- e) **Reference:** Mathematics Curriculum for B1-B3, pg. 43
- f) **Key vocabulary:** like terms, expression, algebra
- g) **Teaching Learning Resources(T.L.R)**:
 - i. Phones/Laptop
 - ii. Projector
 - iii. Pictures of market scene
- h) **Phase 1(Starter):** Project videos or pictures of market scenes and ask learners to tell items they would want to buy from the market while their partner provides the algebraic expression orally
- i) Phase 2 (Tasks/activities):
 - Ask learners to identify the terms and group like terms in given algebraic expressions

$$4x+7y-3x + 8z + y - 3z$$

$$= 4x-3x+7y+y+8z-3z$$

Let learners peer review their work

ii. Guide learners to add / subtract like terms within a given algebraic expression

$$4x+7y-3x + 8z + y - 3z$$

$$= 4x-3x+7y+y+8z-3z$$

$$= x + 8y + 5z$$

Move round to observe the learners' activities and provide support where necessary

iii. Guide learners to sum two or more algebraic expressions

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- 1. Find the sum of 3a +2b -5a + 4b and 7b-6a+b-9a +1
- 2. Subtract 7x-6y+5x-2y from 2x+6y-5y+3x
- j) Assessment:

Solve the algebraic problems

- 1. Find the sum of 2m + 3n + 9m 3n, 13m 12n 5m + 7 and 2m-5n+19m-4n
- 2. Subtract 4a -3b-16b+13a from 9+4a-16b-3a+b
- k) **Phase 3 (Plenary/Reflection):** Recap the lesson by asking learners to come out with what they have learned from the lesson

PLC Session 9: Managing the Learning Environment

Focus: the bullet points provide the frame for what is to be done in the session. The writer should use the bullets to guide what they write for the PLC Coordinators and teachers to do and say during each session. Each bullet needs to be addressed	Guidance Notes on Teacher Activity during the PLC Session. What teachers will do during each stage of the session.	Time in session
1. Introduction to session	 1.1 Describe how the previous PLC impacted your lessons and to read the purpose, Learning Outcomes (LOs) and Learning Indicators (LIs) of this session. Purpose: This session aims at equipping the teacher with the requisite knowledge and skills for managing the learners' learning environment so as to understand and apply the appropriate content, pedagogy, teaching learning resources, motivations and all needed inputs that ensure effective teaching and learning. LO: Demonstrate the ability to create a safe learning environment taking into consideration GESI and SEL issues (NTS 1b,1d,1e,2e,2f,3a,3b,3c,3d,3e and 3f). LI 1.1 Describe a safe learning environment, taking into consideration GESI and SEL issues. LI 1.2 Mention at least three learning resources found in a GESI and SEL responsive classroom. LI 1.3 Analyse at least two challenges in managing a GESI and SEL responsive classroom. 1.2 Describe at least three ways to ensure a safe GESI and SEL responsive environment in the classroom (NTS 2e, 2f, 3c, 3d, 3e, 3f and 3g). 	10 mins

E.g.

- a) Provide suitable seating arrangements to meet all types of learners needs
- b) Establish guidelines for the setting and implementation of classroom rules to protect all learners, etc.
- 1.3 In pairs/groups, mention at least three activities that promote GESI and SEL responsiveness in the classroom (NTS 3a, 3b, 3c and 3n).

E.g.

- a) Using mixed- gender and mixed-ability groupings
- b) Using different methods in a lesson to maximize understanding, etc.
- 1.4 In pairs/groups, analyse at least three GESI and SEL responsive resources and demonstrate how they are used in lessons (NTS 3c, 3d, 3e, 3f and 3j).

E.g.

- a) Games: Integrate games or play to foster friendly environment and help children control their anger and manage disappointments
- b) Screen magnifier: Use screen magnifier to enlarge font texts for learners with visual impairment as this will help them to shorten the time they will spend on tasks without such aids, etc.
- 1.5 Analyse at least three challenges in managing GESI and SEL responsive classrooms (NTS 2f, 3c, 3d, 3f and 3g).

E.g. Managing GESI and SEL responsive classrooms is:

a) Tedious because one will have to focus on content alongside learners' socioculture, religion, anger, disappointment and linguistic background

	b) Challenging as a result of unavailability	
	of appropriate resources. Also meeting	
	social and emotional needs is not easily	
	predictable for advance preparation, etc.	
Give regard for	1.6 Mention at least three possible	
misconceptions and	misconceptions and stereotypes in learning	
stereotypes, GESI, ICT, 21st	various subjects such as mathematics (NTS 3m).	
century skills, etc.		
	E.g.	
	a) It is bad to count your fingers during	
	mathematics lesson	
	b) You must always know how you got the	
	answer, etc.	
	1.7 Discuss how these misconceptions about	
	teaching and learning in various subjects such as	
	mathematics can be addressed (NTS 3m).	
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	E.g.	
	a) Allow learners to explore different	
	strategies of solving problems including	
	finger counting.	
	b) Use instrumental learning such as	
	mental drills to foster speed and	
	memorization of facts and formulae, etc.	
	1.8 Identify at least three ways of incorporating	
	ICT into your lessons	
	taking into consideration different learning	
	styles (NTS 3i, 3j).	
	E.g.	
	a) Surfing Open Educational Resources and	
	other Internet sources for information	
	b) Teaching using different presentation	
	formats including PowerPoint, Microsoft	
	Excel, Microsoft Word, etc.	
	1.9 Using think-pair-share, discuss at least three	
	possible activities you would adopt to develop	
	21st century skills in your learners (NTS 3a, 3b,	
	3c and 3d).	
	Note:	
	Communication skill	
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a) Games/play

E.g.

	b) Presentation, etc.	
	Collaboration	
	E.g.	
	a) Group discussion	
	b) Hands-on activities, etc.	
	Observation and enquiry skills	
	Observation and enquiry skills <i>E.g.</i>	
	a) Project/research	
	b) Hands-on activities, etc.	
	,	
	Creativity and innovation	
	E.g.	
	a) Group discussion	
	b) Project/research, etc.	
	Leadership and Personal development	
	E.g.	
	a) Hands-on activities	
	b) Project/research, etc.	
	Cultural identity and global citizenship	
	Providing opportunities for teachers to engage	
	in discussions on national and international	
	issues through the use of:	
	E.g.	
	a) Group discussion	
	b) Project/research, etc.	
2. Planning for teaching,	2.1 Discuss samples of your lesson plans based	10 mins
learning and	on the Pre-tertiary curriculum (Standards- based	
assessment activities for the lesson/s making	curriculum) (NTS 3a, 3e, 3g and 3j).	
Links to the	Refer to Appendix 9.1 (BS1-BS6)	
relationship between	Refer to Appendix 9.2 (BS7-BS9)	
the Basic School	There's to Appendix 3.2 (557 553)	
Curriculum and the NTS	2.2 In pairs or groups, tease out LOs and LIs	
	from your sample lesson plan.	
	E.g.	
	From Appendix 9.2	
	LO: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding	
	of data collection	
	LI 1 Develop a question form	
	LI 2 Collect data using appropriate tools	

3. Teaching, learning,	3.1 Identify from your sample lesson plans at	10 mins
resources and	least three activities that promote GESI and SEL	10 1111113
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assessment	responsiveness (NTS 3c, 3e, 3f and 3g).	
	E.g.	
	i. The use of mixed-gender groups	
	ii. Sharing roles fairly across all gender	
	and abilities, etc.	
	3.2 Identify at least three GESI and SEL	
	responsive resources that can be used to deliver	
	the lesson.	
	E.g.	
	a) Camera	
	b) Braille for the visually challenged, etc.	
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	3.3 Discuss how the lesson plan is linked to the	
	use of formative assessment tools (assessment	
	'for' and assessment 'as') and practices (NTS 3k,	
	3I and 3m).	
	E.g.	
	a) Assessment for:	
	Giving class exercises on positioning and	
	transformation, etc.	
	h) Accomment as	
	b) Assessment as:	
	i. Giving project works and learners	
	building their portfolios, etc.	
	3.4 Model an activity in the	
	sample lesson plan, taking into consideration	
	GESI, SEL, ICT and 21st century competencies	
	(EXTENSION ACTIVITY).	
4. Evaluation and review	4.1 Reflect and write what you have learned in	10 mins
of session:	the session (NTS 1a, 1b and 3e).	
	(22, 22 3 35).	
 Identifying and 	4.2 Share what you have written with the larger	
addressing any	group (NTS 1a, 1b).	
outstanding issues	0 - F (··· · / - · / ·	
relating to the lesson/s	4.3 Identify a colleague to observe your lessons	
for clarification	in relation to PLC Session 9 and provide	
	feedback to them (NTS 3I).	
 Noting that teachers 	recaback to them (NTO SI).	
need to identify critical	4.4 Remember to read Session 10 of the PLC	
friends to observe		
	Handbook and come along with both the NTS	
lessons and report at	Guide and a sample lesson plan in preparation	
next session	for the next session (NTS 3a)	

	4.5 You may come along with areas you find	
	challenging in your teaching and a sample	
	lesson plan (NTS 3a).	
5. Appendix 9.1	An example of an outline for teaching	10
	understanding positions / transformation from	mins
	the Common Core Programme curriculum	
	(Teachers would be guided to tease out the LOs	
	and the LIs from the sample lesson).	
	a) Strand: Geometry and Measurement	
	b) Sub-strand: Positions / Transformation	
	c) Content Standard: B4.3.2.1 Describe the	
	position of objects in space using the	
	cardinal points	
	d) Indicator:	
	i. Tell sitting position with respect to that	
	of a friend in the classroom using	
	columns and rolls.	
	ii. B4.3.2.1.1- Tell the position and motion	
	of objects in space using the cardinal	
	points, North, South, East and West	
	e) Core Competences:	
	i. Collaboration	
	ii. Observation and enquiry skills	
	iii. Critical thinking and problem solving	
	iv. Personal development	
	v. Justification of ideas, etc.	
	f) Reference: Mathematics curriculum for B4-	
	B6, pg. 38	
	g) Key Vocabulary: position, transformation,	
	cardinal points, North, South, East and	
	West	
	h) Teaching Learning Resources:	
	i. Graph/grid sheets	
	ii. Graph board	
	iii. Classroom tables	
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	action song "Posi, Posi, Position; to the right	
	Posi - Posi, Posi, Position; to the left Posi -	
	Posi, Posi, Position"	
	j) Phase 2 (Tasks/Activities):	
	i. Guide learners to identify the columns	
	and rows in the classroom arrangement	
	or on a grid paper (columns are the	
	vertical and rows the horizontal	
	arrangement).	
	ii. Ask learners to describe their sitting	
	positions in terms of columns and rolls.	

- iii. Guide learners in their mix-gender and mixed-level groups to describe their sitting with respect to that of their friends in the classroom using columns and rolls.
- iv. Provide learners in groups with graph sheets and guide them to identify positions of points on the graph using the cardinal points: North, South, East and West
- v. Guide learners in pairs/ groups to describe positions of points on the graph using coordinates of the point.

k) Assessment:

Learners to

- (1) describe the positions of points P and Q in the plane in terms of coordinates.(2) draw on a graph sheet the x-y axes and plot the points A(2,3) and B(-4, 1)
- I) Phase 3 (Plenary/Reflection): Recap the lesson by asking learners to come out with what they have learned from the lesson.

6. Appendix 9.2

An example of an outline for teaching understanding Data collection from the 2018 basic school curriculum (Teachers would be guided to tease out the LOs and the LIs from the sample lesson).

- a) Strand: Handling Data
- b) Sub-strand: Data
- c) Content Standard: B7.4.1.1 Select, justify, and use appropriate methods to collect data (quantitative and qualitative), display and analyze the data (grouped/ungrouped) presented in frequency tables, line graphs, pie graphs, bar graphs or pictographs and use these to solve and/or pose problems

d) **Indicator**:

- State at least three methods of collecting data.
- ii. B7.4.1.1.2- Design and administer a questionnaire for collecting data to answer questions and record the results.

e) Core Competences:

- i. Collaboration
- ii. Observation and enquiry skills
- iii. Critical thinking and problem solving

- iv. Personal development, etc.
- f) **Reference:** Mathematics curriculum for B7-B9, pg. 71
- g) **Key Vocabulary:** Questionnaire, form, data, survey, administer
- h) **Teaching Learning Resources(T.L.R)**:
 - i. Phones or camera
 - ii. Sample question form, etc.
- i) Phase 1 (Starter): Learners put themselves together based on their birthday and write as many additional information about their group as possible for discussion.
- j) Phase 2 (Tasks/Activities):
 - Ask learners to state the methods they would use to collect data from their school or home environment.
 - ii. Ask learners to think about any information that will be appropriate to be collected using questionnaire, compare with a partner and then share with the whole class.
 - iii. Guide learners in their mix-gender groups to develop question forms for collecting real information from the school environment.
 - iv. Guide learners in their groups to share roles fairly across all gender and abilities and then administer the questionnaire in the school environment as you go round taking pictures of the various groups.
 - v. Guide learners to report on collected data and suggest some ways that the data could be used.
 - vi. Ask learners to appreciate the pictures taken with your phone
- k) Assessment: Learners to draw any appropriate graph of your choice using the data collected when you go home and submit during the next day's lesson.
- Phase 3 (Plenary/Reflection): Recap the lesson by asking learners to come out with what they have learned from the lesson.

PLC Session 10: Teaching and Learning

Focus: the bullet points provide the frame for what is to be done in the session. The writer should use the bullets to guide what they write for the PLC Coordinators and teachers to do and say during each session. Each bullet needs to be addressed	Guidance Notes on Teacher Activity during the PLC Session. What teachers will do during each stage of the session.	Time in session
1. Introduction to new session	 1.1 Read the purpose, Learning Outcomes (LOs) and Learning Indicators (LIs) of the session. Purpose: The purpose of this session is to equip teachers with relevant skills that will bring about meaningful learning through the use of multiple pedagogical strategies and a variety of teaching and learning resources. LO 1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of teaching strategies that bring about meaningful learning (NTS 3e, 3g). LI 1.1 State at least three teaching strategies that can be used in teaching at the basic school level. LI 1.2 Analyse at least three benefits of using different teaching strategies in a lesson at the basic school level. LO 2: Explain relevant concepts clearly using a variety of teaching and learning resources to make learning meaningful (NTS 3g, 3i) LI 2.1 Mention at least three teaching and learning resources used in teaching at the basic school level. 	10 mins

- LI 2.2 Analyse at least three benefits of using teaching and learning resources at the basic school level.
- LI 2.3 Discuss at least three ways of improvising teaching and learning resources.
- 1.2 Brain-write (reflecting and writing) at least three teaching strategies used to teach a lesson at the basic school level (NTS 2e, 3a, 3e and 3g).

E.g.

- a) Think-pair-share
- b) Demonstration, etc.
- 1.3 In groups/pairs analyse at least three benefits of using different teaching strategies at the basic school level (NTS 2e, 3a, 3e and 3j).

E.q.

- a) Motivates learners because using different teaching strategies would provide opportunities for learners with different learning styles to understand the lesson better
- b) Enables both learners and teachers to stay focused on the appropriate task as each learner is comfortable with a particular strategy and is likely to work for longer periods. This means teachers also will work for longer periods to provide appropriate feedback, etc.
- 1.4 Use think-pair-share to come out with at least three teaching and learning resources used at the basic school level (NTS 3e, 3j).

E.g.

- a) Radios
- b) Geoboards, etc.
- 1.5 Analyse at least four benefits of teaching and learning resources (NTS 3e, 3i and 3j).

E.q.

 a) Arouse and sustain learners' interest in the lesson and this will enhance understanding

b) Make learning easy and interesting and as a result, increase participation and improve learning outcomes, etc. 1.6 Use questions and answers to identify at
improve learning outcomes, etc.
1.6 Use questions and answers to identify at
least two ways of improvising resources in
teaching and learning (NTS 3e, 3i and 3j).
E.g.
a) Substitution:
Use of a laptop in place of a television
set, etc.
b) Modification:
Modifying empty plastic bottle into a
beaker and a funnel c) Construction:
Use of straws and balloons to model
the respiratory system
Give regard for 1.7 Identify possible misconceptions and 10 mins
misconceptions and stereotypes in teaching and learning various
stereotypes, GESI, ICT, 21 st subjects such as English language (NTS 3h, 3m).
century skills, etc.
E.g. a) Female teachers are associated with the
teaching of English language
b) Fluent English speakers are brilliant, etc.
1.8 Discuss how these misconceptions and
stereotypes about teaching and learning various
subjects such as English language can be
addressed (NTS 3h, 3m).
E.g.
a) Emphasizing that teaching English
language requires training irrespective of
gender
b) Teaching English language should be
made simple, clear and easy, etc.
1.9 Identify activities that promote
GESI and SEL responsiveness in the classroom
(NTS 3a, 3c).
E.g.
a) Encourage self-reflection b) Encourage peer teaching and learning
c) Use field trips

- d) Use presentation and group work, etc.
- 1.10 Identify at least three ways of incorporating ICT into their lessons taking into consideration different learning styles (NTS 3i, 3j).

E.g.

- a) Surfing Open Educational Resources and other Internet sources for information
- b) Teaching using different presentation formats including PowerPoint, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Word in teaching, etc.
- 1.11 Discuss at least three possible strategies you would adopt to develop 21st century skills in your learners (NTS 3a, 3b, 3c and 3d).

Note:

Communication skills

E.g.

- a) Group discussion
- b) Presentation, etc.

Collaboration

E.g.

- a) Project/research
- b) Hands-on activities, etc.

Observation and enquiry skills

E.g.

- a) Project/research
- b) Hands-on activities, etc.

Creativity and innovation

E.g.

- a) Project/research
- b) Role-play, etc.

Personal development

E.q

- a) Presentation
- b) Project/research, etc.

	Cultural identity and global citizenship	
	E.g.	
	Providing opportunities for teachers to engage	
	in discussions on national and international	
	issues through the use of:	
	a) Role-play	
	b) Group discussion, etc.	
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2. Planning for teaching,	2.1 Discuss samples of your lesson plans based	
learning and	on the Pre-tertiary curriculum (Standards-based	
assessment activities	curriculum) and link them to the NTS (NTS 3a,	
for the lesson/s making	3e, 3g and 3j).	
Links to the		
relationship between	Refer to Appendix 10.1 for a sample lesson plan	
the Basic School	in English language for basic 7	
Curriculum and the NTS		
	Refer to Appendix 10.2 for a sample lesson plan	
	in English language for basic 4	
	2.2 Tease out the earning outcomes and	
	learning indicators from the sample lesson plan	
	(NTS 2b, 2c and 2f).	
	E.g.	
	LO: Demonstrate knowledge, understanding	
	and skills in academic writing	
	LI 1 State at least two features to consider	
	during academic writing	
	LI 2 Identify and select at least three key ideas	
	from the text.	
3. Teaching, learning,	3.1 Identify activities that promote GESI and SEL	10 mins
resources and	responsiveness in your sample lesson plans (NTS	
assessment	3c, 3e, 3f and 3g).	
	F.	
	E.g.	
	a) Even distribution of questions during the	
	lesson	
	b) Using mixed-ability grouping, etc.	
	3.2 Identify the resources that can be used to	
	deliver the lesson (NTS 3e, 3i and 3j).	
	E.g.	
	a) Word cards	
	b) Sentence cards etc.	

		3.3 Discuss how the session is linked to the use	
		of formative assessment. For example,	
		assessment for learning and assessment as	
		learning (NTS 3k, 3l and 3m).	
		rearring (1413 3K, 31 and 3M).	
		E.g.	
		Assessment as: Learners select a topic and write	
		at least five new words they have learned, etc.	
		3.4 Model a sample activity in the	
		sample lesson (EXTENSION ACTIVITY).	
4.	Evaluation and review	4.1 Reflect and write what you have learned in	10 mins
	of session:	the session (NTS 1a, 1b).	
0	Identifying and	4.2 Share what you have written with the larger	
	addressing any	group (NTS 1a, 1b).	
	outstanding issues		
	relating to the lesson/s	4.3 Identify a colleague to observe your lessons	
	for clarification	in relation to PLC Session 10 and provide	
		feedback to them.	
0	Noting that teachers		
	need to identify a	4.4 Remember to read Session 11 of the PLC	
	colleague to observe	Handbook and come along with both your NTS	
	lessons and report at	Guide and a sample lesson plan in preparation	
	next session	for the next session.	
		4.5 You may come along with areas you find	
		challenging in your teaching (NTS 3a).	
5.	Appendix 10.1	An example of a lesson plan for teaching English	
		Language from the Basic School Curriculum, BS7	
		a) Strand: Writing b) Substrand: tout tunes and numerous	
		b) Sub-strand: text types and purposes	
		c) Content Standard B7.4.2.2: Apply writing skills to specific life situations	
		d) Indicator B7.4.2.2.1: Take notes for	
		academic and other purposes	
		e) Resources: Word cards, laptop, projector	
		f) Performance Indicator: Learners can write	
		short paragraphs to describe incidents	
		g) Core Competencies: Communication and	
		Collaboration, Personal Development and	
		Leadership, Creativity and Innovation,	
		Critical Thinking and Problem-Solving	
		h) References: English Language Curriculum	
		Pg. 29	
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i) Starter: Revise with learners on the previous lesson. Share learning indicators with learners and introduce the lesson

j) New learning:

- Ask learners to select a topic and brainwrite to generate ideas using the word card
- ii. Put learners into groups to organize the points for the development of paragraphs
- iii. Assign learners individually to develop the points into outlines and then into a draft and let them do self and peerediting before finally presenting the final work
- iv. Ask learners to present their finished work in groups using the laptop and projector
- Using a laptop and projector, do a presentation and guide learners to take notes for academic and other purposes
- vi. Ask learners to write notes while listening to the teacher
- vii. Ask learners to identify and record:
 Source of information (title, author, date etc.), headings to help you identify the key points, examples, names, new ideas, triggers to make your notes more memorable such as mnemonics, color or drawings)
- viii. Guide learners to identify and select key ideas from a text
- ix. Let learners organize ideas from the information gathered and make connections
- Edit/Proofread the writing for sense or meaning and effect (emotional reaction).
- xi. Record in other media and present the write-up to the whole class
- **k) Assessment**: Select a topic and write at least five new words they have learned

I) Reflection:

 Use peer discussion and effective questioning to find out from learners what they have learned during the lesson.

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	ii. Take feedback from learners and summarize the lesson.
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6. Appendix 10.2	An example of an outline for teaching writing
	from the Basic School Curriculum, BS4 a) Strand: Grammar usage at word and phrase
	levels
	b) Sub-strand: Nouns
	c) Content Standard B4.3.1.1: Apply knowledge
	of different types of nouns in communication
	d) Indicator: B4.3.1.1.2: Identify and use proper
	nouns
	e) Resources: Word cards, sentence cards,
	sample sentence on manila card, globe or
	map
	f) Performance indicator: identify and use
	proper nouns, use simple sentences clearly
	and correctly
	g) Core competencies: communication and
	collaboration, personal development and
	leadership, critical thinking and problem
	solving
	h) References: B4-B6 English Language
	Curriculum, p.33
	i) Starter: Ask learners to mention and write
	on the board, their full names and where
	they come from
	Ask learners the following; some important
	places in their community, the names of their pets and mention things inside and
	outside the classroom
	j) New learning:
	i. Let learners read simple sentences
	having names of cities and countries
	from the sentence card
	ii. Put learners into groups to identify the
	names of cities and countries on a globe
	or map
	iii. Learners form sentences with names of
	other cities and countries
	iv. Ask learners identify proper nouns from
	paragraphs/passages
	v. Put learners in groups to identify proper
	nouns using the word cards
	k) Assessment: Give learners task for them to
	identify and underline proper nouns in
	sentences on the board

) Reflection:	
i. What have we learned today?	
ii. Ask learners to summarize the main	
points of the lesson	

PLC Session 11: Assessment

Focus: the bullet points provide the frame for what is to be done in the session. The writer should use the bullets to guide what they write for the PLC Coordinators and teachers to do and say during each session. Each bullet needs to be addressed	Guidance Notes on Teacher Activity during the PLC Session. What teachers will do during each stage of the session.	Time in session
1. Introduction to session	 1.1 Read the purpose, Learning Outcomes (LOs) and Learning Indicators (LIs) of the session. Purpose: The purpose of this session is to help teachers demonstrate understanding of how to administer assessment effectively and use feedback to improve teaching and learning. LO 1: Demonstrate knowledge,	10mins

1.1 Use available resources to search for the meaning of assessment (internet, Standardsbased Curriculum, dictionary, etc.) (NTS 3k).

E.g.

Assessment is a process of collecting and evaluating information about learners and using the information to make decisions to improve teaching and learning (Standards-based curriculum pg. xiii).

1.3 List any two purposes of assessment (NTS 3I, 3m, 3n and 3o).

E.g.

Formative assessment - assessment as learning and assessment for learning

1.4 Analyse the two purposes of assessment listed in Activity 1.3 (NTS 3I, 3m, 3n and 3o).

E.g.

- a) Formative assessment Assessment as: It relates to engaging
 learners to reflect on the expectations of their learning
- b) Summative assessment -Assessment of: It describes the levels learners have attained in their learning
- 1.5 State at least four appropriate methods of assessment in the classroom (NTS 3k,3l, 3m, 3n, 3o and 3p).

E.q.

- a) Homework
- b) Project, etc.
- 1.6 Discuss how at least three of the methods in Activity 1.5 can be used to improve teaching and learning in the classroom (NTS 3k,3l, 3m, 3n, 3o and 3p).

E.g.

 a) Homework: Learners are assigned tasks to be completed outside the school to foster independent learning

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	b) Project: Learners are given a task/problem to engage in as a	
	group/individual to supplement and apply	
	classroom studies, etc.	
Give regard for	1.7 Identify at least five possible misconceptions	10mins
misconceptions and	and stereotypes in learning various subjects	
stereotypes, GESI, ICT, 21 st	such as English language (NTS 3m).	
century skills, etc.	F. 0	
	E.g. a) English language is not meant to be	
	studied	
	b) English language is a subject for women,	
	etc.	
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	1.8 Discuss how these misconceptions about teaching and learning various subjects such as	
	English language in the classroom can be	
	addressed (NTS 3m).	
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	E.g. a) English lessons should be activity-based	
	b) Learners should be introduced to reading	
	at their early stages of mental	
	development, etc.	
	1.9 Identify at least three activities that promote	
	GESI and SEL responsiveness in the classroom (NTS 2e, 2f, 3f, 3g, 3h, 3m, 3n and 3o).	
	E.g.	
	a) Encourage mixed-gender groupings	
	b) Ensure equal participation of both males	
	and females during role play, dialogues,	
	etc.	
	1.10 Identify at least three ways of	
	incorporating ICT into your lessons taking into	
	consideration different learning styles (NTS 3j).	
	E.g.	
	a) Surfing Open Educational Resources and	
	other Internet sources for information,	
	etc.	
	1.11 Discuss activities you would adopt to	
	develop 21 st century skills in your learners	
	(NTS 3a, 3b, 3c and 3d).	

	Note:	
	Communication skills	
	E.g.	
	a) Group discussion	
	b) Role-play, etc.	
	Collaboration	
	E.g.	
	a) Group discussion	
	b) Project/research, etc.	
	Observation and enquiry skills	
	E.g.	
	a) Group discussion	
	b) Project/research, etc.	
	Creativity and innovation	
	E.g.	
	a) Group discussion	
	b) Project/research, etc.	
	Personal development	
	E.g.	
	a) Group discussion	
	b) Project/research, etc	
	Cultural identity and global citizenship	
	E.g.	
	Providing opportunities for teachers to engage	
	in discussions on national and international	
	issues through the use of:	
	a) Groupwork	
	b) Project/research, etc.	
2. Planning for teaching, learning and assessment activities for the lesson/s	2.1 Discuss samples of your lesson plans based on the Pre-Tertiary Curriculum (Standards-based curriculum) in your respective subjects	10 mins
making links to the	and link them to the NTS	
relationship between the	(NTS 3a, 3e, 3g and 3j).	
Basic School Curriculum		
and the NTS	Refer to Appendices 11.1 and 11.2 for sample	
	lesson plans on English language.	
	2.2 Tease out the learning outcomes and	
	learning indicators from the sample lesson plan	
	(NTS 3a, 3e, 3g and 3j).	
	(11.5 5d) 5c, 5g and 5j).	
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		E.g.	
		LO: Demonstrate the use of appropriate	
		language orally in specific situations	
		LI 1 Give accurate direction to familiar places	
		LI 2 Describe important places in the community	
		(landmarks)	
3.	Teaching, learning,	3.1 Identify at least two activities that promote	10 mins
•	resources and	GESI and SEL responsiveness in your sample	10 111113
	assessment	lesson plans (NTS 3c, 3e, 3f and 3g).	
	assessment	lesson plans (1415 5c, 5e, 51 and 5g).	
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		E.g.	
		In pairs (a boy and a girl) learners direct a	
		friend who is visiting them, etc.	
		3.2 Identify at least three resources that can be	
		used to deliver the lesson (NTS 3j).	
		E.g.	
		a) word cards	
		b) mobile phones, etc.	
		3.3 Discuss how the session is linked to the use	
		of formative assessment methods and practices	
		for assessment for learning and assessment as	
		learning (NTS 3k, 3l and 3m).	
		E.g.	
		Assessment as: In pairs (a boy and a girl)	
		learners direct a friend who is visiting them	
		for the first time from the lorry station to	
		their school	
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		Assessment for:	
		3.4 Model a sample activity in the	
		sample lesson (EXTENSION ACTIVITY).	

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4. Evaluation and review	4.1 Reflect individually and write what you have	10 mins
of session:	learned in the session (NTS 1a, 1b).	
 Identifying and 	4.2 Share what you have written with the larger	
addressing any	group (NTS 1a, 1b).	
outstanding issues		
relating to the lesson/s	4.3 Identify a colleague to observe your lessons	
for clarification	in relation to PLC Session 11 and provide	
	feedback to you.	
 Noting that teachers 	,	
need to identify critical		
friends to observe		
lessons and report at		
next session		
5. Appendix 11.1	Example of a sample lesson plan in English	
3. Appendix 11.1		
	language: Refer to English Language curriculum:	
	B7 pg. 2)	
	An example of an outline for teaching	
	Conversation/everyday discourse.	
	a) Strand: Oral language	
	b) Sub-strand: Conversation/everyday	
	discourse	
	c) Content Standard: B7.1.1.1: Demonstrate	
	use of appropriate language orally in	
	specific situations	
	d) Indicator:	
	B7.1.1.1.4. Listen to and give accurate	
	direction to familiar places	
	e) Performance Indicator:	
	Learners can use appropriate registers and	
	landmarks in giving directions	
	f) Core Competencies:	
	Communication and Collaboration,	
	Personal	
	Development and Leadership, Creativity	
	and	
	Innovation, Critical Thinking and Problem-	
	Solving	
	g) Key words: land marks	
	(mosque, hospitals, church, railways, chief	
	palace) register (behind, in front,	
	adjacent, opposite) google map	
	h) Phase 1: Starter	
	In pairs (a boy and a girl), direct a friend	
	who is visiting you for the first time from	
	the lorry station to your school.	

Expected answers from learners; get down from the car at the station, 'go aaaaa', stop, walk small and you see the waakye seller, then go straight, straight and straight

i) Phase 2: New Learning

- Through whole class discussion, use word cards to treat the appropriate register and landmarks
- ii. Model giving simple directions to places in the school and important places in the community or environment using appropriate register and important landmarks for instance, turn left or right, go straight, negotiate the curve, adjacent, opposite, backwards, behind the Presbyterian church/hospital, meters away from the mosque/shrine
- iii. Show pictures of important places (land marks) in the community to provide situations for learners to practice giving directions
- iv. In pairs, have learners role-play giving and obeying or following commands/instructions for instance, a stranger meets you at the school gate, direct them to the chief's palace, Central Mosque
- v. Use smart phone to demonstrate that Google maps can also be used to show directions, etc.

Assessment

Have learners sketch and give the direction to the nearest land mark

j) Phase 3: Reflection

Use peer discussion and questioning to find out from learners what they have learned during the lesson

Appendix 11.2

Example of a sample lesson plan in English language: Refer to English Language curriculum: B2 p. 53

An example of an outline for teaching Comprehension

- a) Strand 2: Reading
- **b)** Sub Strand: Comprehension (Baby Birds)
- c) Content Standard: B2.2.7.2: Use knowledge skills and techniques of reading to understand and interpret text
- **d)** Indicator: B2.2.7.2.4. Read levelappropriate texts with little support
- e) Performance Indicator: Learners can read level-appropriate texts with comprehension and answer questions
- f) Core Competencies: Critical Thinking and Problem Solving, Communication and Collaboration,
- **g) Key words:** Cracked, beak, tapped, broke, little, hole, nest, worm
- h) Phase 1: Starter

Display the picture of the egg and the cracked egg on the board and ask learners to think-pair-share what they have observed
Ask learners to predict what the passage is going to be about

i) Phase 2: New learning
Treat the key words using the word

Let learners use the words to form simple sentences.

Write pre-reading questions to guide learners in their reading

- 1. Where do birds live?
- What do birds eat?
 Teacher plays a recorded audio of the passage.

Learners answer the pre-reading questions.

Have learners read the passage in groups.

Learners read the passage silently. Ask while reading questions to enhance learners' understanding of the text.

1. Which animal did the baby bird first meet?

 What did the cow promise to give the baby bird?
 Have learners answer questions based on the passage.

Assessment

- 1. Which animal did the baby bird first
- 2. What did the cow promise to give the baby bird?
- 3. Who helped the baby bird to help find his mother?

Phase 3: Reflection

Let learners tell their friends the moral lessons they have learned from the story. Let learners retell the story to the class