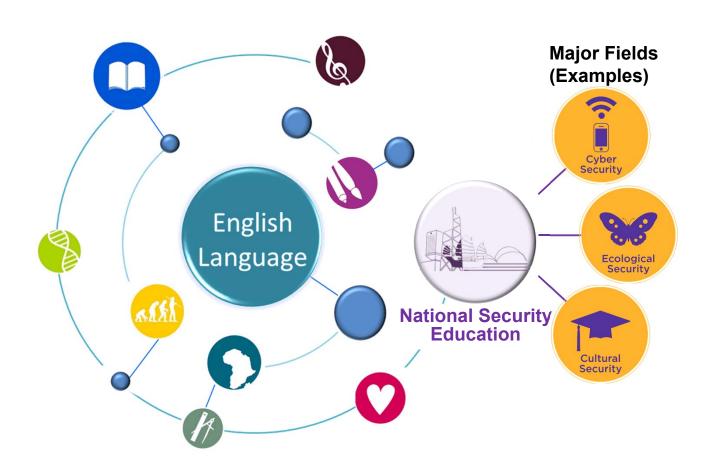
# IMPLEMENTING NATIONAL SECURITY EDUCATION IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE CURRICULUM

# Integrating Cross-curricular Domains into the English Language Curriculum to Connect Students' Learning Experiences



#### Suggested Modules and Units for the Junior and Senior Secondary Levels

- Getting along with Others
  - Friendship and Dating
  - Sharing, Co-operation, Rivalry
- Study, School Life and Work
  - Study and Related Pleasure/Problems
  - Experiments and Projects
  - Occupations, Careers and Prospects
- Cultures of the World
  - Travelling and Visiting
    - Customs, Clothing and Food of Different Places
- Wonderful Things
  - Successful People and Amazing Deeds
  - Great Stories
  - Precious Things

- Nature and Environment
  - Protecting the Environment
  - Resources and Energy Conservation
  - Biodiversity
  - Animal Protection
- The Individual and Society
  - Crime
  - Human Rights (personal rights, civic rights, respect)
- Communicating
  - The Media and Publications
  - The Internet
- Technology
  - Changes Brought about by Technology
- Leisure and Entertainment
  - The World of Sports
  - "Showbiz"

Module	Unit	Topic
Nature and Environment	Protecting the Environment	Wildlife Conservation

#### **Content Objectives**

To explore concepts related to ecological security and new security domain, e.g.

- biodiversity
- conservation
- the impact of human activities on the ecology and environment

#### **Language Objectives**

To develop language knowledge and skills, e.g.

- listening, speaking, reading/viewing and writing skills
- text structures (i.e. a video, an article, a time line)
- the use of simple past and present perfect tenses to talk about past events



#### A Video on "Preserving Pandas"



Previewing  Find out how much students know about preservation of giant pandas.

Whileviewing

- · Play the video.
- Engage students in finding out what happened to the giant pandas' natural habitats and the preservation work.

Post - viewing

- Use the article "Panda's Rise Shows Biodiversity Improving" as a follow-up to engage students in finding out more about the development of panda preservation.
- Get students to discuss and provide suggestions on how the preservation work of giant pandas can be sustained.

An Article on

"Panda's Rise Shows
Biodiversity Improving"

https://www.chinadaily.com.cn/a/ 202107/09/WS60e78417a310ef a1bd660ab5.html

and understand the use of simple past and present perfect tenses. 1,596 pandas <u>lived</u> in the wild. 2003 Since 2006, the number of pandas in captivity <u>has increased</u>. About nine of them survived after being released into the wild 2013 1,864 pandas <u>lived</u> in the wild. The panda population in the wild has risen to about 1,800.

Guide students to organise key events using a time line

#### A Video



#### **Language Focuses**

- Language skills development
- The use of simple past tense and present perfect tense to talk about past events.

#### **Ecological Security**

- Identify the various measures taken by the government to preserve the giant pandas and the positive impacts brought by the effort.
- Discuss the importance of and our role in conserving endangered animals in the country.

**An Article** 

An Article on

"Panda's Rise Shows
Biodiversity Improving"

#### **Extended Learning Activities**

An experiential learning activity on "Conservation" at the Ocean Park

To explore more on the conservation of giant pandas and other endangered animals in Hong Kong

Writing an article on an endangered animal that students encountered in the activity

To include fun facts, history and conservation development about the endangered animals

https://www.oceanpark.com.hk/en/education-conservation/conservation/conservation-matters

Module	Unit	Topic
Cultures of the World	Customs, Clothing and Food of Different Places	Cultural Heritage Preservation

#### **Content Objectives**

To explore concepts related to the cultural security domain, e.g.

- cultural heritage preservation
- harmony among ethnic groups
- the impact of cultural diversity and creativity on the people

#### **Language Objectives**

To develop language knowledge and skills, e.g.

- listening, speaking, reading/viewing and writing skills
- text structures (e.g. features of a news article)
- strategies on presenting opinions with supporting evidence



Module: Cultures of the World

■Unit: Customs, Clothes and Food of Different Places

Topic: Intangible Cultural Heritage in China

Reading
Nation expands intangible cultural heritage item list

http://english.www.gov.cn/news/pressbriefings/202106/11/content\_WS60c2aba4c6d0df57f98db126.html

#### **Learning Elements – English Language Education**

#### Identifying the features of a news article

- Headline: Give a brief overview of why the following topic is newsworthy (e.g. Nation expands intangible cultural heritage item list)
- Introductory paragraph: Try to answer Who? What? Where? When? Why? and How? in the introduction.
- Structure: Use the "Inverted Pyramid" structure, with key information given at the beginning and subsequent information provided in order of diminishing importance.

#### **Learning Elements – National Education**

- Understanding the importance and benefits of cultural preservation from different perspectives/aspects, for example,
  - socially promoting cultural diversity and creativity
  - <u>economically</u> bringing economic benefits (e.g. making Mongolian embroidery helps alleviate poverty, promoting cultural heritage tourism)
  - nationally enhancing unity and harmony among ethnic groups, safeguarding cultural security

#### **Extended Learning Activities**

#### 1. Video "3D Tech to Preserve Ancient Art"

(https://chinacurrent.com/education/article/2021/11/23015.html)

Learning activities: Students suggest one piece of ancient art they would like to preserve using the latest technologies.

Learning elements: Understanding the importance of heritage protection.

#### **Extended Learning Activities**

#### 2. Gallery Walk

Learning activities: Students research information about an intangible cultural heritage

item (ICH) in China from one of the ICH categories (e.g. Traditional

Arts, Traditional Handicraft Skills, Folk Customs) (Suggested website:

https://www.culturalheritagechina.org/ ) and prepare a gallery walk

presentation about their ICH item.

Learning elements: Understanding the social and economic importance of the ICH to the

people.

#### **Extended Learning Activities**

#### 3. A visit to a Heritage Trail in Hong Kong

(Suggested website: Antiques and Monuments Office <a href="https://www.amo.gov.hk/en/heritage-trails/index.html">https://www.amo.gov.hk/en/heritage-trails/index.html</a>)



#### Learning activities

Students research and visit one of the Heritage Trails in Hong Kong. After the visit, they share their observations and reflections on the visit through different modes (e.g. pictures with captions, videos, PPT slides)

#### Learning elements

Understanding the history of Hong Kong and the importance of treasuring one's heritage.

# Thank you