Share the Learning

OLE.5

TIME

30 minutes, once a cycle, or as required

OVERVIEW

As students acquire knowledge and skills in curriculum-based learning experiences, ongoing learning experiences (OLEs), or information and communication technologies (ICT) learning experiences, they share their learning with their classmates, teachers, and/or parents once a week, or more often as appropriate. The sharing process

- aims to motivate and excite students as they share their unique learning discoveries
- provides an opportunity for teachers to identify students who can become mentors to other students
- allows students to practise oral-presentation skills in an informal setting

Share the Learning sessions may be student initiated or teacher directed. They may occur at a set time or at unique teachable moments throughout the day or week. Students keep a Share the Learning Journal and participate in a Share the Learning Centre. The journal helps students reflect on and recognize the progress of their learning (metacognition).

Note: Share the Learning experiences may be used for diverse purposes, such as sharing newly acquired ICT tips and skills or sharing learning discoveries with key pals using email (see ICT.3: Riddle This). Learning may also be shared during weekly Speak Ye! Hear Ye! sessions (see OLE.7: Speak Ye! Hear Ye!).

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Through this learning experience (LE), students will achieve specific learning outcomes (SLOs) in various subject areas. Consider the intent of this LE and your choice of instructional and assessment strategies to determine which SLOs students may achieve, in addition to those identified.

English Language Arts

Consider the intent of this LE and your choice of instructional and assessment strategies to determine which SLOs students may achieve, in addition to those identified below:

- 4.2.1 Appraise Own and Others' Work Share own stories and creations at appropriate
 times during revision and use criteria to provide feedback for others and to revise and
 assess own work and presentations.
- 4.4.1 Share Ideas and Information Share information on a topic with class members in a planned and focused group session using a variety of strategies [such as interactive dialogues, demonstrations, dramatizations, audio-visual and artistic representations...].
- 4.4.2 Effective Oral Communication Use appropriate volume, phrasing, intonation, non-verbal cues [such as body language, facial expression...], and presentation space to enhance communication.
- 4.4.3 Attentive Listening and Viewing Demonstrate critical listening and viewing skills and strategies [such as recognizing main idea and details, identifying inference...] and show respect for presenter(s) through appropriate audience behaviours [such as giving non-verbal encouragement, responding to emotional aspects of the presentation...].

Science

Consider the intent of this LE and your choice of instructional and assessment strategies to determine which SLOs students may achieve, in addition to those identified below:

 SLOs related to Scientific Inquiry or the Design Process in Cluster 0: Overall Skills and Attitudes.

ICT LITERACY SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

Consider the intent of this LE and your choice of instructional and assessment strategies to determine which skills and competencies students may achieve, in addition to those identified below:

- basic operating skills
- communicating electronically
- concept mapping

SUGGESTED LEARNING RESOURCES

Software

as required

Print

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BLMs

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TBLMs

- TBLM OLE.4#5: Assessing Active Listening
- TBLM OLE.5#1: Assessment Rubric for Oral Presentation

SUGGESTIONS FOR INSTRUCTION

Preparation and Set-up

- Students write or email their parents to tell them that they will be bringing their Share the Learning Journals home once a week to share with them. Decide which day would be suitable, so that students can plan towards that goal.
- Send a separate letter to parents explaining Share the Learning experiences and making suggestions on how they can respond to their child's Share the Learning Journal.

Activating Strategies

- Discuss a topic, within a current unit of study, in which most students have a comfortable knowledge base. Point out that class discussions are enhanced when everyone is able to contribute some prior knowledge of the topic.
- Students make a list of topics or skills about which they think they know more than most students in the class.
- Review oral-presentation skills with students. Discuss the appropriate use of each skill. Even
 for informal presentations, students should be aware of basic oral-presentation skills such
 as practising proper enunciation, adjusting level of voice, making eye contact (consider
 cultural appropriateness), and so on.
- Select several students to share some interesting facts about their unique topics or skills, while classmates provide feedback using BLM OLE.5#3: Oral-Presentation Checklist.
- Remind students to keep their BLM OLE.5#2: Share the Learning Journal at their fingertips so that they can keep track of their learning discoveries every time they are introduced to a new topic in class, watch a video, or listen to a guest speaker.

Acquiring Strategies

- Use a situation, such as introducing new software, as an opportunity for students to share what they have learned.
- Introduce students to concept-mapping software (see ICT.6: Inspired) or to graphics software, by asking which students have prior knowledge about or skills at using the software.
- Students who have prior knowledge of the software share their impressions of its usefulness or demonstrate one technical tip.
- Give all students some time to browse through the software and create a simple product for their current unit of study (or use the Acquiring Strategies in ICT.6: Inspired).
- Discuss the different tools in the toolbar and give student volunteers an opportunity to explain their use and share other tips they may have discovered while browsing through the software.

OR

Watch a video supporting a current unit of study as a sharing experience. Use BLM OLE.5#4: A Viewer's Discussion Guide for Narrative and Informational Films/Videos to guide students' discussion and to focus their learning.

Applying Strategies

- As students' skills become evident, students can act as mentors or peer tutors.
- Students make journal entries using BLM OLE.5#2: Share the Learning Journal as they
 discover new learning. They use their journals to prepare for sharing sessions and take
 home their journals each week.
- Once a week, students may individually, in collaborative groups, or in pairs, share a
 significant learning discovery from the previous week. Alternatively, students may share a
 learning discovery with their key pals by writing an email. Use flexible groupings to
 encourage and facilitate sharing. Sharing sessions may include teacher-led conferences,
 paired sharing, email messages, and learning centre groups. Students prepare for a wholeclass presentation using BLM OLE.5#3: Oral-Presentation Checklist.

Variations/Extensions

• Students write an end-of-term reflection on their learning (metacognition). These responses can be shared during parent/teacher/student conferences and placed in their electronic portfolios (see OLE.10: Electronic Collection).

SUGGESTIONS FOR ASSESSMENT

- Read students' Share the Learning Journals to learn what interests them, to assess their participation in the sharing process, to appraise the development of their skills and determine when they can be used in class, and to identify questions that need to be answered.
- Use TBLM OLE.4#5: Assessing Active Listening to monitor the listening behaviour of students during Share the Learning presentations.
- Use TBLM OLE.5#1: Assessment Rubric for Oral Presentation to assess the students' oral presentation skills.

CONNECTION TO INVENTIONS, INNOVATIONS, AND DISCOVERIES

 As students become more comfortable speaking in front of the class, they improve their speaking skills and gain ease in front of an audience. This will help them when they create their promotional videos about their inventions. As students are called upon to help a peer with practical skills, they learn about the value of collaboration and group work. Many inventions are the result of teams of co-workers collaborating and sharing.

LEARNING CENTRE CONNECTION

- A Share the Learning Centre can be set up at any time throughout the year to focus on skills that students need to acquire or to share any learning acquired during curriculum-based conceptual study.
- Students use BLM OLE.5#1: Share the Learning Centre for learning centre instructions.

BLM OLE.5#1: Share the Learning Centre

Overview

• Students email their peers, parents, teachers, elders, or key pals to share their learning.

Resources

- BLM OLE.5#2: Share the Learning Journal
- ICT.3: Riddle This (Email)

Task

 Decide on a learning discovery (a piece of information or a newly acquired skill) to write about and to share.

Collaborative Goal

Set up a group schedule and a timeframe to access the computer to send the email.

What to Do with the Results of This Learning Centre

• File email replies in the Personal OLE Binder or Electronic OLE Binder along with the Share the Learning Journal entry that prompted it.

BLM OLE.5#2: Share the Learning Journal

Name _		Week of		
days. Se	wn the most extrelect one learning the Learning prese	raordinary thing or the best tip or skill you learned each day for five g discovery from the five you recorded and make notes to prepare for a entation.		
Date	Topic	Notes		
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		Question		
		Question		
		Question		
		Question		
		Question		
Notes o	n what to preser	nt this week, and why.		

— look at audience members?

BLM OLE.5#3: Oral-Presentation Checklist

Name	Date	
Use this checklist to decide whether you are ready to sha whether some points need your attention. When you have column, tell your teacher you are ready to give your oral p	e attended to the Nee	
Presentation Components	Ready	Needs Attention
Content	·	
Is my presentation organized?		
Does it have a beginning, a middle, and an end?		
Have I read the presentation to ensure that		
— all content is relevant to the topic?		
— no further editing is needed?		
Have I made sure that the vocabulary is		
— specific to the topic?		
— used appropriately?		
 Have I planned something special to make my present creative and unique? 	tation	
• Have I prepared visuals (e.g., poster, photographs) that	at	
— enhance my presentation?		
— show what they are supposed to show?		
Delivery		
Do I need		
— cue cards?		
— a pointer?		
— handouts?		
Have I read my presentation, and reminded myself to		
— speak clearly and enunciate well?		
— use interesting tones of voice?		
speak at a normal speed?		
— pause at appropriate places?		
speak loud enough so all can hear? he arthurington about interest, and amile?		
— be enthusiastic, show interest, and smile?		

Date

BLM OLE.5#4: A Viewer's Discussion Guide for Narrative and Informational Films/Videos

Name Date					
A Viewer's Discussion Guide for Narrative Films/Videos					
The following general questions are suggested as a guide for discussing a film or video. The questions may be adapted to use with specific material.					
Title:					
 Who was (were) the main character(s) in the film/video? When did the story happen? Where did it take place? What was the problem or goal? How was the problem solved or the goal reached? What was your favourite part? Why? Would you recommend this film/video to others? Why? Why not? How would you rate this film/video? Circle one number below. 					
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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 6 9 10					
Date Parent's/Guardian's Signature					
A Viewer's Discussion Guide for Informational Films/Videos					
The following general questions are suggested as a guide for discussing a film or video. The questions may be adapted to use with specific material.					
Title:					
 What did you already know about the topic before you viewed the film/video selection? What three interesting facts did you learn? What was the most interesting fact? Why was it most interesting? What would you still like to learn about the topic? Would you recommend this film/video to others? Why? Why not? How would you rate this film/video? Circle one number below. 					

A Viewer's Discussion Guide for Narrative and Informational Films/Videos: Adapted from Grades 5 to 8 English Language Arts: A Foundation for Implementation (Manitoba Education and Training BLM-73).

Parent's/Guardian's Signature

TBLM OLE.5#1: Assessment Rubric for Oral Presentation

Name		

Observe each student over time to get a profile of the student's oral-presentation skills.

		Date	Date	Date	Date	Date		
Con	Content							
Organization	 Is logically or creatively organized. Is organized. Demonstrates limited organization and structure. 							
Preparation	 Shows detailed preparation. Shows evidence of preparation (cue cards/audiovisual equipment). Shows minimal evidence of preparation. 							
Material	 Material is consistent with the topic. Material, for the most part, is relevant to the topic. Material is irrelevant to the topic or inappropriate. 							
Language	 Language is appropriate and interesting. Language is appropriate. Language is inappropriate. 							
Creativity	 Shows considerable creativity. Shows some creativity. Shows limited creativity. 							
Visuals	 Visuals are effective and add to the presentation. Visuals are appropriate. Visuals have limited effectiveness. 							
Deli	very							
Speech	 All words are spoken clearly. Many words are spoken clearly. Many words are not spoken clearly. 							
Volume	 Volume is loud enough to be heard easily. Volume is inconsistent. Volume is too low. 							
Interest	 Displays enthusiasm for the topic. Displays interest in the topic. Exhibits minimal interest in the topic. 							
Eye Contact	 Makes effective eye contact. Makes some eye contact. Makes no eye contact. (Consider cultural appropriateness.) 							