

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Primary 1 and 2

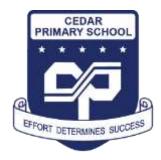


What is STELLAR?

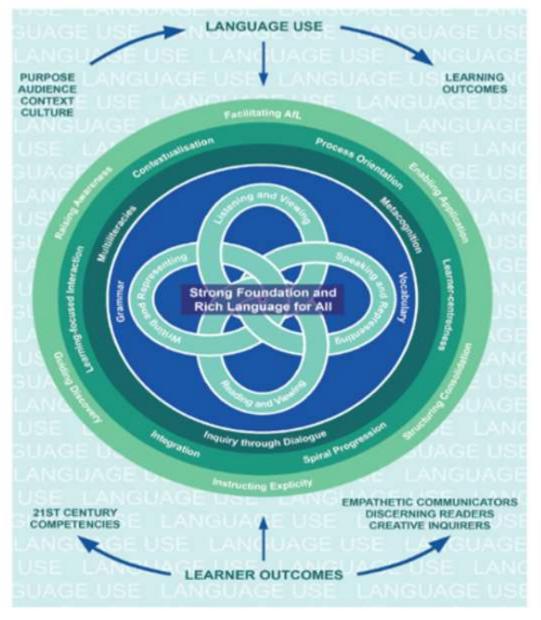
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Strategies for **English** Language Learning and Reading

- Teaching and learning of English using more speaking and listening activities
- Children learn reading and writing using rich and interesting books, with discussions led by the teacher



Areas of Language Learning



- Listening & Viewing
- Reading & Viewing
- Speaking & Representing
- Writing & Representing
- Grammar
- Vocabulary



An Overview

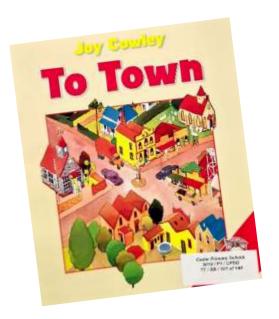
Language Learning Area	STELLAR	School-based Curriculum
Reading & Viewing	Shared Book Approach (SBA)Extensive Reading (ER)	Library (fortnightly)Structured Reading Programme (SRP) (fortnightly)
Writing & Representing	 Modified Language Experience Approach (MLEA) Class, Group and Individual Writing 	PenmanshipJournal (6,6,6,3)SLS
Speaking & Representing	Role-playingDramatisation	Current Affairs (Tiny Red Dot)
Listening & Viewing	 Recognition of sounds and words in context through phonics instruction Embedded in all key strategies 	
Grammar	Whole-Part-Whole ApproachExplicit teaching of grammar in meaningful context using Big Books	
Vocabulary	Text-Based Approach • Big Books	Working with WordsSpelling (in context)

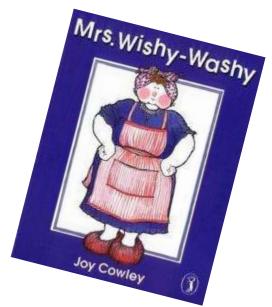


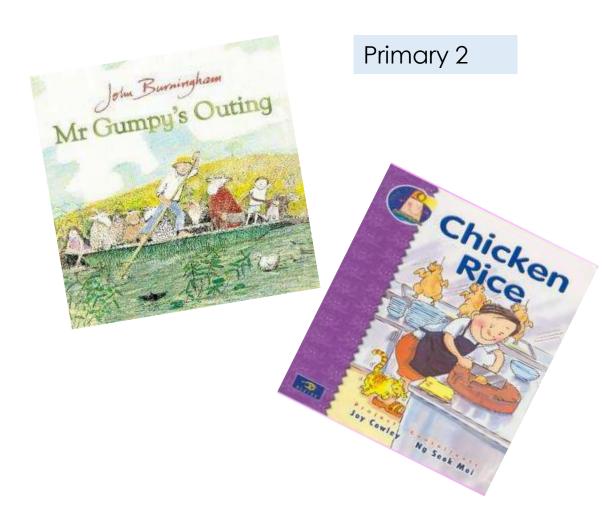
Shared Book Approach (SBA)

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The teacher introduces and shares a Big Book with the children.







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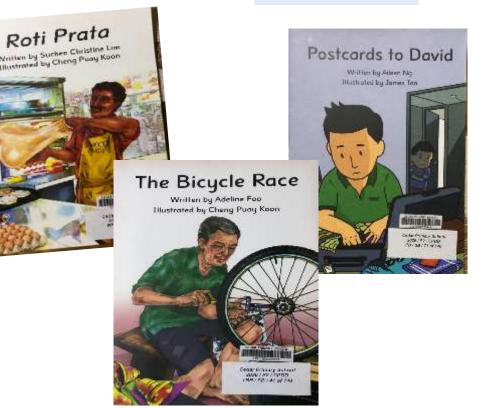
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21CC (civic, global & cross-cultural literacy) – Exposure to diverse literature



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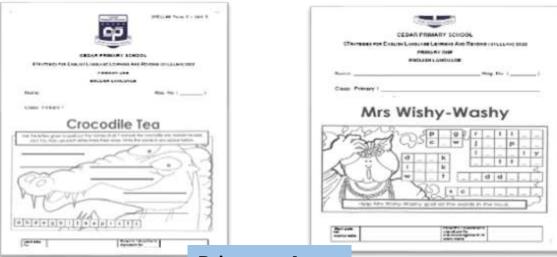




Shared Book Approach 2

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The teacher then explicitly teaches word identification and reading skills, vocabulary, grammar, language structures and the concepts of print.





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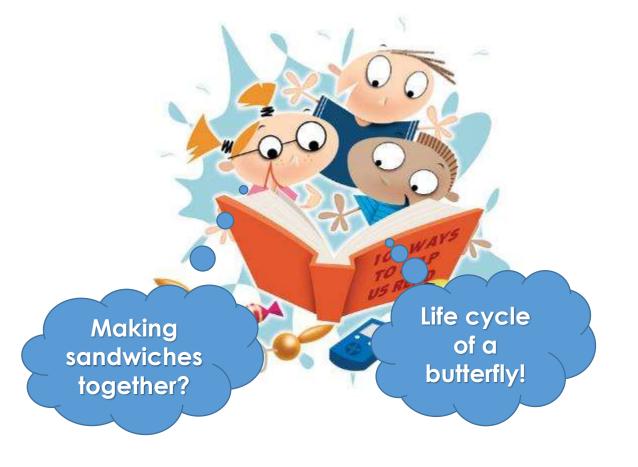
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Modified Language Experience Approach (MLEA)

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Modified Language Experience Approach, commonly known as MLEA, simply means having a shared experience and talking and writing about it.





Modified Language Experience Approach (MLEA)

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The purpose of this shared experience is to provide the context and content for students to think, talk and write about.



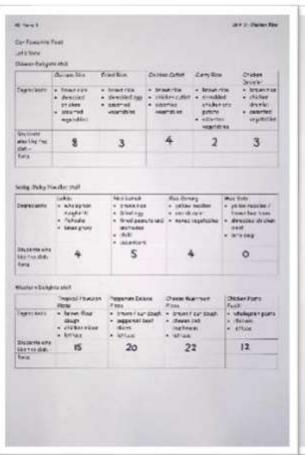




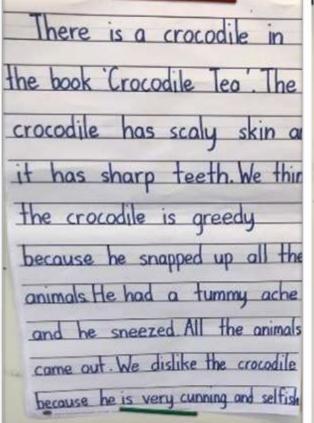


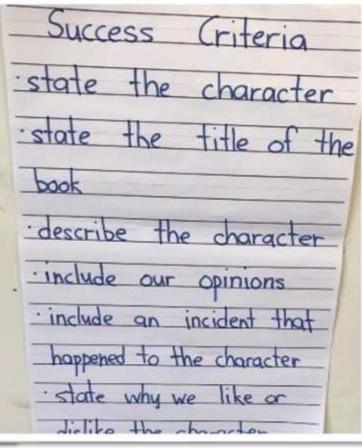


Class Writing











Group Writing





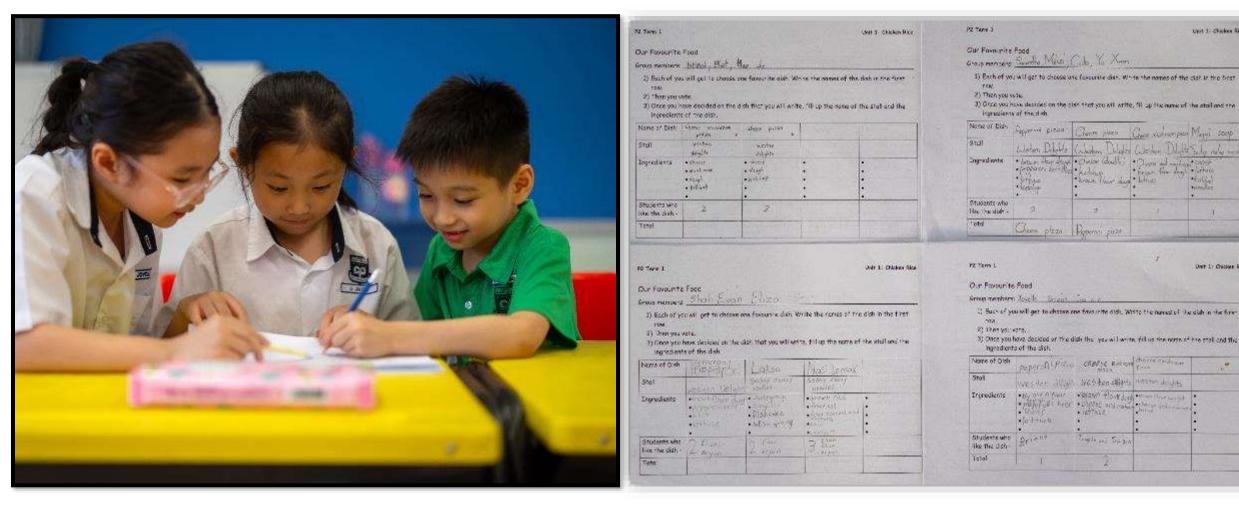


Group Writing

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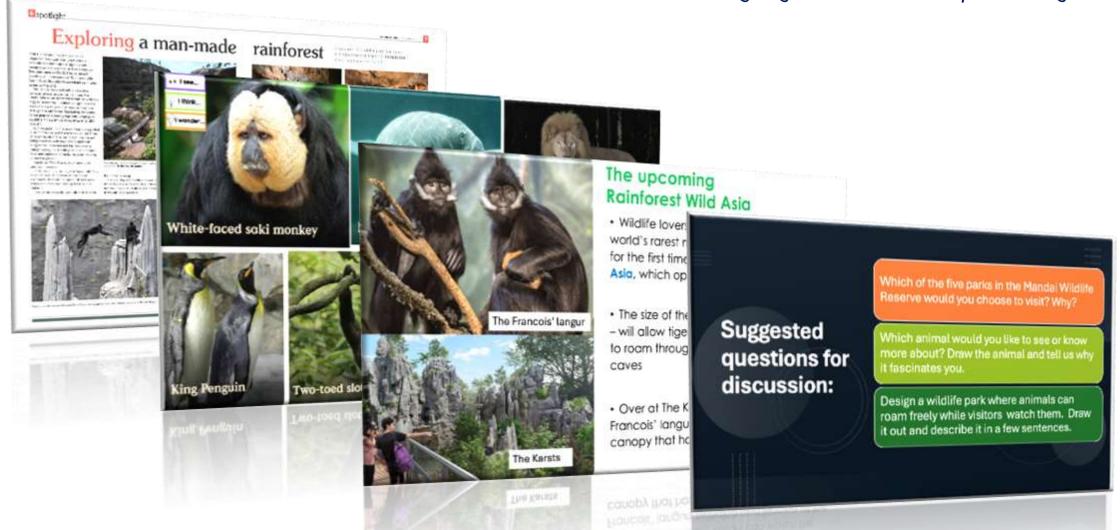
Unit 1: Chicken Size

Dart 1: Chicken Rice





Tiny Red Dot





Listening, Reading & Viewing

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Activities in the library



SRP





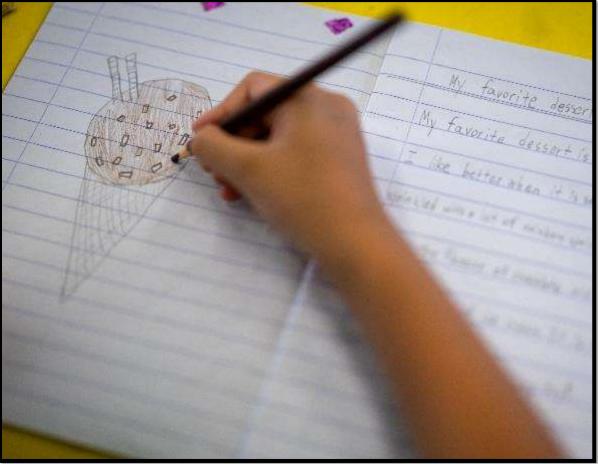
Speaking, Writing & Representing

- Penmanship
- Journal (21 entries for the year)
- Lessons using Edtech tools
- Spelling in context



Journal Writing







Lessons using EdTech tools









Spelling in context





P1 EL Learning Outcomes in Holistic Development Profile (HDP)	Examples (Evidence of Learning)
1. Listen attentively and follow simple instructions.	Observations, Learning Sheets
2. Speak clearly to express their thoughts, feelings and ideas.	Class/Group discussions, personal conversations
3. Follow communication etiquette such as taking turns, and using appropriate eye contact and volume in conversations or discussions.	
4. Demonstrate basic word recognition skills (e.g. know the letters of the alphabet; able to pronounce words accurately).	Shared Book Lessons, High Frequency Words Word Study Lessons
Read aloud Primary 1 texts (e.g. STELLAR texts) with accuracy, fluency and expression.	Observations during SBA, Oral Reading Passages, Learning Sheets
6. Understand Primary 1 texts (e.g. STELLAR texts) and are able to identify simple aspects of fiction (e.g. main characters and setting).	
7. Demonstrate writing readiness and handwriting skills such as letter formation, placement, sizing and spacing.	Learning Sheets
8. Write a simple paragraph of at least 3 sentences to recount appropriately	Writing Activities

sequenced events.

(Learning Sheets)

P2 Learning Outcomes (EL) in HDP	Examples (Evidence of Learning)
1. Listen attentively and identify relevant information.	Observations, Learning Sheets
2. Speak clearly to express their thoughts, feelings and ideas.	Class/Group discussions, personal conversations
3. Build on others' ideas in the conversations or discussions respectfully.	
4. Read multi-syllabic words accurately.	Shared Book Lessons, High Frequency Words Word Study Lessons
5. Read aloud Primary 2 texts (e.g. STELLAR texts) with accuracy, fluency and expression.	Observations during SBA, Oral Reading Passages, Learning Sheets
6. Understand Primary 2 texts (e.g. STELLAR texts) and are able to identify the big ideas in the texts and recall sequence of main events.	

7. Apply basic spelling strategies using knowledge about phonic elements and spelling rules.

8. Write short paragraphs to recount appropriately sequenced events, describe details, and use tenses and connectors accurately.

Writing Activities (Learning Sheets)

Spelling Practices

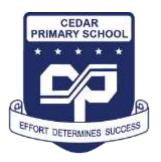


Tips to engage your child



- Aim to build vocabulary together.
- Read, watch, listen together.
- Explore different genres.
- Nurture your child's interests.
- Tune in to English radio stations.
- Sing with your child.





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• Provide authentic learning experiences.



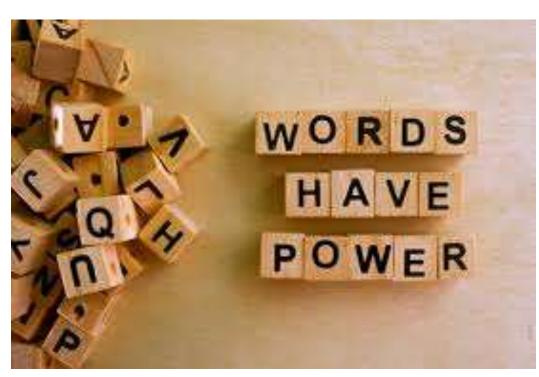






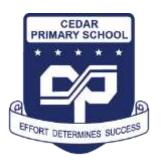
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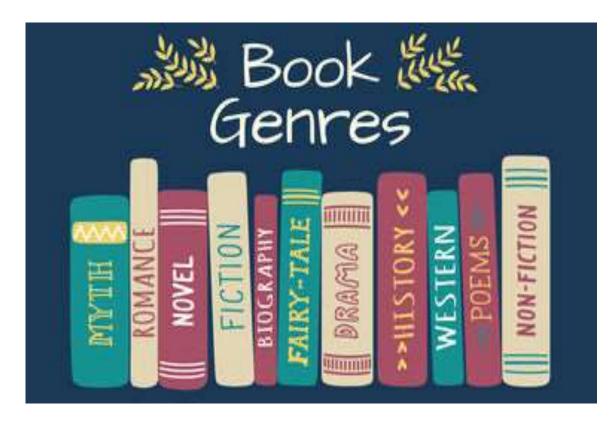


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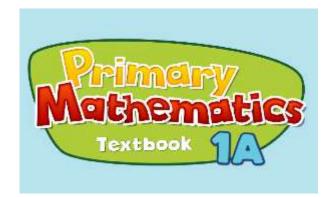
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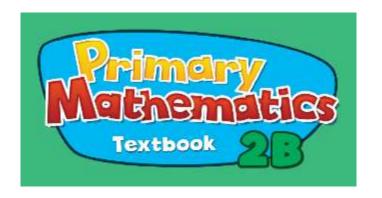


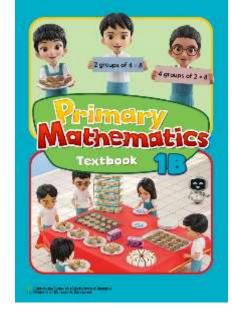




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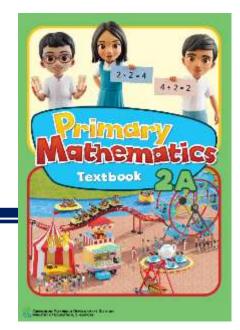






Using the Mathematics textbook to support the development of 21st Century Competencies

Primary 1 and 2 2025





Content

- Mathematics curriculum and key focus
- Features of the Mathematics textbook
- Metacognition
- Using ideas in the Mathematics textbook to encourage thinking and discussion

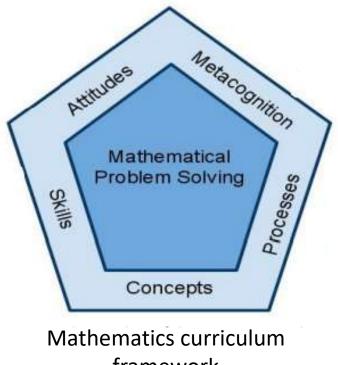


Mathematics curriculum and key focus

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Primary education is a stage where students:

- acquire basic numeracy
- develop logical reasoning and problemsolving skills
- are equipped with a tool for everyday life
- build their confidence and interest in the subject which will shape their attitude towards the subject



framework



Mathematics curriculum and key focus

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- 1. To develop critical mathematical processes that support the development of **21**st century competencies.
- 2. To develop a greater awareness of the **big ideas** in Mathematics that will deepen students' understanding and appreciation of Mathematics.
- 3. To give greater emphasis to the development of **metacognition** to promote self-directed learning and reflection.

MOE Primary Mathematics 2021 syllabus https://www.moe.gov.sg/-/media/files/syllabus/2021-pri-mathematics-1-to-3.ashx

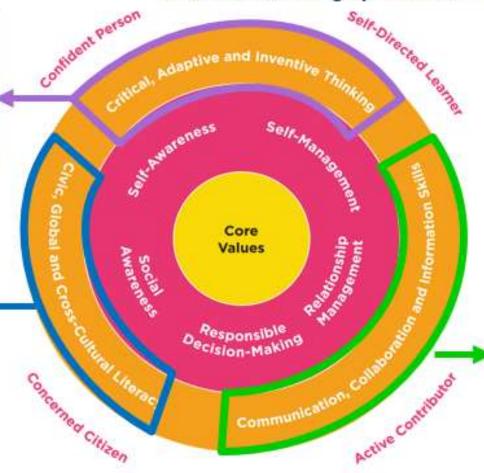


Emerging 21st Century Competencies

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- ✓ Solve word problems
- ✓ Make decisions
- ✓ Justify claims
- ✓ Derive different strategies

✓ Solve real-life problems such as savings, GST, postage rates



- ✓ Discuss / Share how to solve the problem
- ✓ Collaborate with one another
- ✓ Use Math vocabulary



Mathematics curriculum and key focus

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Metacognition

- is thinking about thinking.
- opportunities for students to reflect on the problem-solving process
- to think aloud and explain the process
- helps them develop their reasoning skills



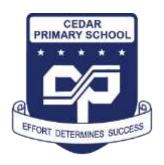


Metacognition

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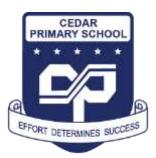
- Children who practise metacognition:
 - "are those who are aware of what they do and do not know,
 - understand their knowledge
 - can monitor their learning
 - are skilled in regulating, controlling and updating their knowledge
 - use it as a means of improving their learning."

(Akturk & Sahin, 2011; Georghiades, 2004)



Textbooks based on the 2021 syllabus

- ➤ Have fewer practice exercises
- ➤ Have specific tasks on reasoning and making connections to the real world
- > Emphasise metacognition



Features of the Mathematics textbook

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Chapter Opener & QR Code

de & Let's Try

Learning Task
& Let's Try

Around Us

→ Thinking Alou

What Have I Learnt?

Make connection to the real-world; and get students to share their prior knowledge. Link to the
Student
Learning Space
(SLS) activities
to reinforce
learning.

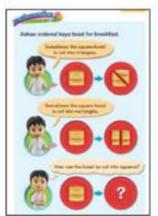
Worked example and a practice question for each concept. Make learning relevant by making connections between what was learnt to real-world.

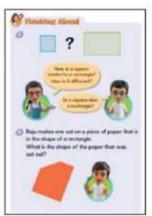
Provide opportunities for students to reason, think creatively and critically.

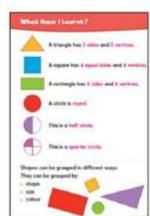
Provide a summary of concepts and skills in the chapter.











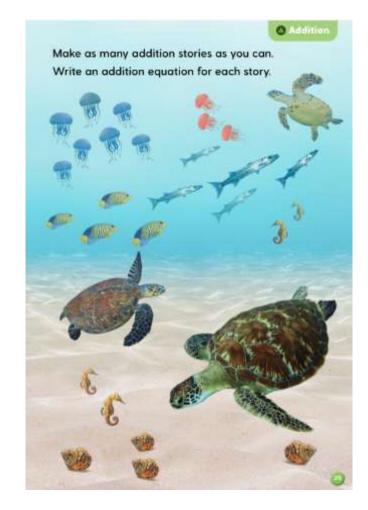


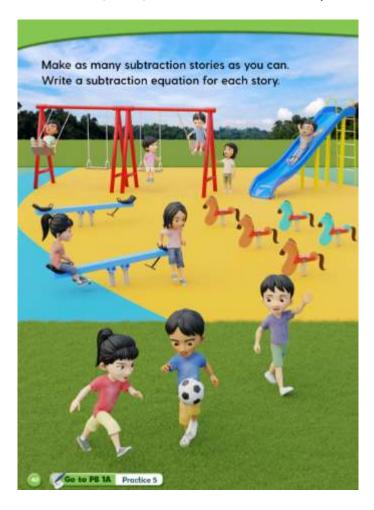
Metacognition

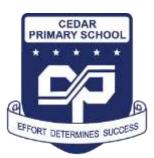
- ✓ Metacognition, or thinking about thinking, refers to the awareness of, and the ability to control one's thinking process, in particular the selections and use of problem-solving strategies.
- ✓ It includes the monitoring and regulation of one's own learning.
- ✓ It also includes the awareness of one's affective responses towards a problem.
- ✓ When one is engaged in solving a non-routine or open-ended problem, metacognition is required.



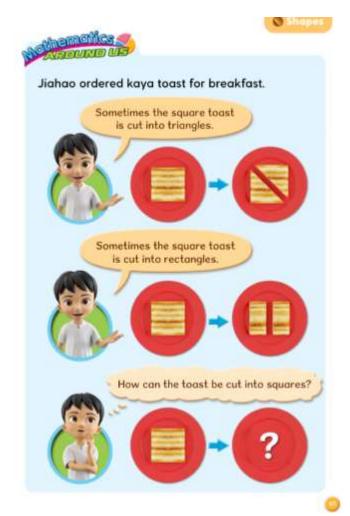
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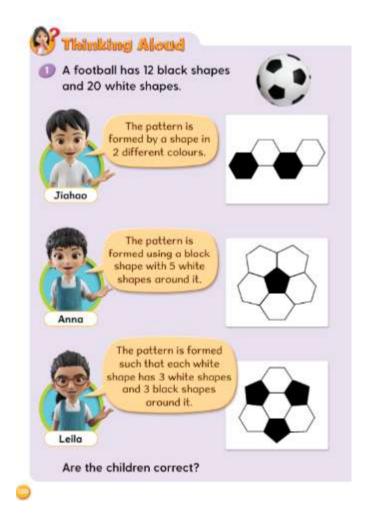


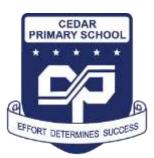




Can you see it?

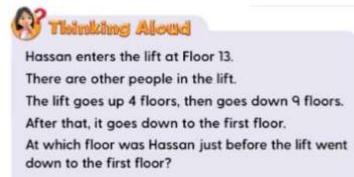






Let's do this step by step









What to consider?

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Does the 20 people include the driver?

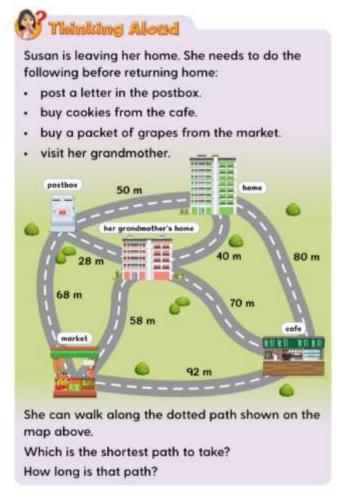
If there are 29 passengers, how many buses are needed?

- a) 1.5 or 1½ buses
- b) 2 buses



Reasoning and logical thinking

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Is the straight line/path the shortest?
Why would I choose to take a particular path?



A few possible answers

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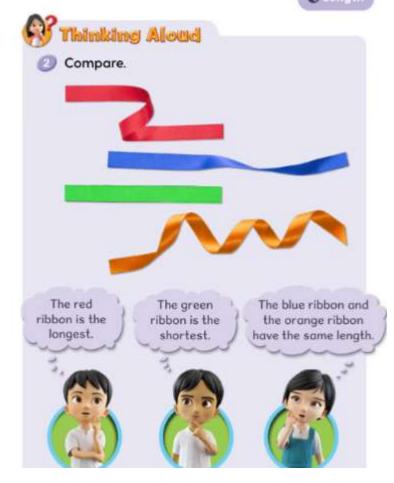


Which type of box to use?

How many different ways to do this?



Let me check and find out







Supporting Your Child in Learning

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Attendance Active Participation Attitude Achievement



Thank you



Mother Tongue Languages

Primary 1 and Primary 2



PURPOSE & GOALS OF MTL LEARNING

- To support and enable every student to learn MTL to as high a level as each student is able to.
 - Communication
 - Culture
 - Connection



Communication



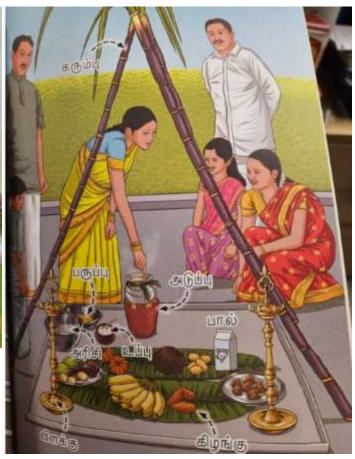
- Develop student's proficiency and ability to communicate in MTL in life and at work
- Instil in students the willingness
 and confidence in using the
 language for effective
 communication



Culture

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Understand and develop
unique identity through
deeper appreciation of
culture, traditions, literature
and history.



Connection



- Connect with the different
 communities in Asia who speaks
 that language and share the same
 culture
- Develop cross-cultural awareness and competency.



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Listening

Able to listen attentively to spoken content related to daily life, understand and identify main ideas and some details

Speaking

Speak with correct pronunciation using vocabulary and sentence structures from Primary 1 and/or Primary 2 texts



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Reading

- ✓ Recognise characters (CL), words (ML), letters and words (TL) in Primary 1 and Primary 2 texts
- ✓ Read aloud in accuracy Primary 1 and Primary 2 texts
- **✓ Understand** Primary 1 and Primary 2 texts
- ✓ Identify main points with guidance



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Writing

Write words, phrases, simple sentences (CL, ML)/ words and phrases (TL) about daily life with guidance.

Spoken Interaction Skills

Interact in a simple way provided the other person repeats or rephrases things slowly. Asks and answers simple questions in areas of immediate need or on very familiar themes.



PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

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Higher Mother Tongue (CL/ML/TL) selection at end of P2

- Selection based on pupil's end-year Academic Performance
 (top 20% of cohort) to cope with higher demands of
 curriculum expectations
- 2-year curriculum. No more selection at P3 and P4



CULTURE

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MTL FORTNIGHT (Term 2 Week 2 and 3)

Student's participation in various activities

Appreciation of their own MTLs, Culture and Traditions









PRIMARY 1 & 2

STUDENTS

ACTION



ONLINE RESOURCES (MTL)

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Scan the QR code at the last page of every unit.

 Log on to <u>SLS</u> for revision of that particular unit.

Interactive picture books available



ONLINE RESOURCES (MTL)







- Content on the SLS includes videos, texts and games.
 - In accordance with the vocabularies learnt in the unit.



ONLINE RESOURCES (CHINESE)

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Ezhishi.net

Username and password pasted on students' handbook.



PARTNERSHIP - PARENTS/GUARDIANS & TEACHERS

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Partnering and supporting the MTL teacher





Provide ideas, suggestions and tips





FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

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- Watch suitable TV programmes or news
- Tune in to the radio

Spoken Interaction

- Speak to your child in MTL whenever possible
- Have regular conversations

Listening

Reading

- Bring a MT book <u>every</u>
 <u>Friday</u> for "<u>Books to Bell</u>"
- Visit the library and read MTL books with child

Speaking

Writing

Written Interaction

- Use a variety of resources
- Provide print-rich environment

Set Incremental and Achievable goals with your child



Thank you