## **LESSON PLANS**

# **DEMOCRACY**

AN HISTORICAL OVERVIEW

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LEARNING	CONTENT		COMMUNICATION	COGNITION
OUTCOMES				
Knowledge:	Activities	Resources	Language Learning	Thinking skills
-A broad Knowledge of	A) Initial approach	Examples provided by the	Vocabulary:	Information processing
today's political	1 Activate prior knowledge	teacher	Descriptive /	Understanding:
world	about politics, regimes	Maps (continents, world-	Evaluative expressions	Organising information:
-A preliminary	and principles. Place your	maps on Dcr/Aut)	Word bank	a) Sequencing
definition of Dcr and	bets	Tables of world states		information: historical
Aut	2 Analysis, comprehension	Lists of countries in the	Structures:	development, cause-
-An initial overview of	and opinion about Dcr/Aut	World (Catalan and	Time adverbs and	effect,
HR	3 Language activities on the	English versions)	expressions (present,	b) Comparing/contrasting
Be able to:	World countries today		past, future)	information
-Define the idea of Dcr	4 Distribution of Freedom in			c) classifying
and its differences	the world		Questioning: Who   What	
with Aut	B) Introduction		When   How   Where	Imagination:
-Define and	1 Matching word-prefix	Documents: UDHR (full and	Why	Putting yourself in the
differentiate	2 Circle the correct word	shortened),		shoes of others
Rep/Mon, and	3 Reading and translating		Contrasting/comparing	
Unitary/compound st.	4 Adopting Right-Names			Foreseeing the future
-Enumerate Modern	and understanding HR		Reasoning: introducing	
Times stages			reasons and conclusions	Reasoning:
Be aware of:				Give/Accept reasons
-Evolution of				
democracy				
-Non-political aspects				
(social) economic,				
cultural)				
-Philosophical views				

Dcr. Democracy Aut: Autocracy
HR: Human Rights

Stg: stage
CGW: Class-group work
GW(n.): Group Work of n. people
PW: Pair Work

Lesson Plan Unit 1: Unit 1: How things were before

LEARNING OUTCOMES	CONTENT		COMMUNICATION	COGNITION	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b>	Activities	Resources	Language Learning	Thinking skills	
Knowledge:	1 Check the definitions	Texts	Vocabulary:	Classifying and	
The regimes of Modern	of Abm and DR		A glossary of relevant	opposing	
Times: when, where they	2 Contrasting Abm/DR	Video: Some sequences of	items		
existed;	3 Creative thinking:	"Cromwell"	<b>Structures:</b>	Information	
The difference Abm/DR	place yourself in the		Deepen contrasting	processing	
	king's shoes	Documents: Magna Carta,	and opposing ideas		
Be able to:	4 Comments on the film	The file of an Inquisition Trial		Identifying characters	
Differentiate Abm and DR	"Cromwell"	_	Definition-language	with ideas	
Relate the concepts back					
to our past			Cause-effect language	Causal-process	
				knowledge:	
Produce comprehensive			Prediction	direct and indirect	
criticism as regards			<b>Functions:</b>	causes	
politics				and effects	
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Be aware of:					
How brittle democracy					
can be					
The setbacks that can					
bring Dcr back to Aut					

Abm: Absolutism
DR: Divided Sovereignty

Lesson Plan Unit 2: The 19<sup>th</sup> century Liberal State

LEARNING	CONTENT		COMMUNICATION	COGNITION
OUTCOMES Learning Outcomes	Activities	Resources	Language Learning	Understanding:
		French Declaration of		
Knowledge:	1 A. Revisiting previous		Vocabulary:	Differentiate, compare
the UDHR. Division in 3	knowledge and vocabulary	the Citizen's Rights	Glossary of HR and	and
categories	1 B. Fast-reading activity	Fragments of US	political notions	contrasting regimes
	2 Language and	Constitution		Define, trace the borders
The 1st category: Civil	comprehension:		Structures:	between concepts
rights	3 Reading, defining and		Moral assessing -	
	justifying		language	Comprehensive vision of
LS against Abs	4 Cause-effect reasoning			human rights' nature and
	5 Contrasting and arguing.		Enumerative language	role
The LS: essential traits	Reading.			
Be able to:	6 Match words with		Linking events language	Reasoning:
enumerate different sorts	historical characters		<b>Functions:</b>	Getting to the causes of
of Rights	7 Contrasting and opining			historical events
	8 Identification and			Information processing
Correlate HR with	prediction. Relating theory			
different Stg of Dcr	with everyday life			

UDHR: Universal Declaration of Human Rights LS: liberal sta

### Lesson Plan Unit 3: The democratic liberal state

LEARNING	CONTENT		COMMUNICATION	COGNITION
OUTCOMES				
<b>Learning Outcomes</b>	Activities	Resources	Language Learning	Information processing
Knowledge:	1 Reading and interpreting a	Graphs	Vocabulary:	
-The democratisation	graph. Describing and	Texts		
of the liberal state	Predicting	Images	<b>Structures:</b>	
-Political rights	2 Describing an image and			
Be able to:	explaining the motives			
-Assess the pure	3 Cause-effect analysis of			
principle of democracy	political change			
-Compare this principle	4 Identifying political rights			
with liberal ones	5 Introducing new			
-Identify political rights	vocabulary			
and differentiate them	6 Reading and			
from civil and social-	comprehension of a text			
economic-cultural ones				
Be aware of: -The social and political progress in history -The power of social movements to change history				

### Lesson Plan Unit 4: The Welfare State

LEARNING	CONTENT		COMMUNICATION	COGNITION
OUTCOMES				
<b>Learning Outcomes</b>	Activities	Resources	Language Learning	Information processing
Knowledge:	1 Activating prior	Flow graphs	Vocabulary:	
-Understanding the	knowledge	Texts		
ideas behind WS	2 Causal reasoning		<b>Structures:</b>	
-Getting the concept of	3 Sequencing a causal set of			
social-economic-	events			
cultural rights	4 Creative thinking,			
	Predicting			
Be able to:	5 Concepts understanding:			
-Identifying the role of	cross the wrong word			
different institutions of	6 reading, translating and			
social life	comprehension			
-Differentiate civil and	7 Identifying real			
political rights from the	institutions with political			
socio-economic-	concepts			
cultural ones				
Be aware of:				
-The pros and cons of				
the WS				

### Lesson Plan Unit 5: Conclusion

LEARNING	CONTENT		COMMUNICATION	COGNITION
OUTCOMES				
<b>Learning Outcomes</b>	Activities	Resources	Language Learning	
Knowledge:	1 Table-analysis of	Table of stages / regimes /	Vocabulary:	Information processing
-An overview of the	countries	rights		
whole system:	2 Text-analysis:		Structures:	
institutions and rights	Summarizing, classifying			
	and drawing conclusions			
Be able to:	from premises			
-Remember stages and	3 Filling the gaps of a set of			
places	sentences about HR with a			
-Differentiate civil and	set of words			
political rights from the	4 Path-game			
socio-economic-				
cultural ones				
-Give a list of some				
rights of each kind				
Be aware of:				
-Predict from the past				
what is going to happen				
in the future				
-The huge changes in				
Contemporary history				