# CSPE

# **Assessment and Action Projects**

It is not necessary to carry out all the activities contained in this unit.

Please see *Teachers' Notes* for explanations, additional activities, and tips and suggestions.

Theme	Assessment and Action Projects: students are reminded of	
	the way that the CSPE course is assessed	
Levels	A1 – B1	
Language focus	Key vocabulary, word identification, sentence structure, extracting information from text, writing text, grammar.	
Learning focus	Using CSPE textbooks and accessing curriculum content and learning activities.	
Activity types	Matching, word identification, structuring sentences and text, cloze, multiple choice, reading comprehension, categorising vocabulary, recording learning, developing a learning resource.	
Acknowledgement	Extracts from Impact! Jeanne Barrett & Fiona Richardson. Gill & Macmillan.	
	We gratefully acknowledge Gill & Macmillan for the right to reproduce text in some of these activities.	
Learning Record	A copy of the Learning Record should be distributed to each student.	
	Students should:	
	1. Write the subject and topic on the record.	
	<ol><li>Tick off/date the different statements as they complete activities.</li></ol>	
	<ol> <li>Keep the record in their files along with the work produced for this unit.</li> </ol>	
	4. Use this material to support mainstream subject learning.	

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# Making the best use of these units

- Introduction should ensure that students understand what they are doing and why. Many students will have some difficulty in understanding both the language in the activity and the instructions/purpose for carrying out the activity.
- You can create your **personal teaching resource** by printing these units in full and filing them by subject in a large ring binder.
- Encourage students to:
  - Bring the relevant subject textbooks to language support class. It does not matter if they have different textbooks as the activities in these units refer to vocabulary and other items that will be found in all subject textbooks. These units are based on curriculum materials.
  - Take some responsibility for their own learning programmes by:



Developing a **personal dictionary** for different subjects, topics, and other categories of language, on an on-going basis. This prompt is a reminder.



Recording what they have learnt on the *Learning Record,* which should be distributed at the start of each unit.



Keeping their own **files** with good examples of the work produced in language support for different subjects and topics. This file will be an invaluable **learning resource** in supporting mainstream learning.



Indicates that answers may be found at the end of the unit.

• Don't forget that many of the activities in these units are suitable as **homework** tasks, for **self-study**, or for use in the **subject classroom** with the agreement of the subject teacher.

#### **Keywords**

The list of keywords for this unit is as

follows.

#### Nouns

activity/activities action assessment book chairperson charity citizen/citizens class classmates collection committee community concept concerns country county course CSPE education environment event example fundraising guest guest speaker group individual (noun) information invited guest issue module organisation page/pages planet population poster project questions recycling reflections responsibility/ responsibilities rights school section

slogan society speaker students topic view/views work work

#### Verbs

to be concerned to chair to collect to do to decide to demonstrate to enable to fundraise to get to get involved to invite to involve to learn to listen to recycle to reflect to share to take action to undertake to write up

#### Adjectives

active civic communal concerned designated environmental global human individual (adjective) interesting international local national personal political responsible social

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# Vocabulary file 1

This activity may be done in language support class or in the mainstream subject classroom.

Word	Meaning	Word in my language
citizens		
active		
action		
environment		
topic		
responsible		
assessment		

Get your teacher to check this and then file it in your folder so you can use it in the future.

# Vocabulary file 2

This activity may be done in language support class or in the mainstream subject classroom.

Word	Meaning	Word in my language
citizenship		
democracy		
rights		
concept		
project		
community		
social		

Get your teacher to check this and then file it in your folder so you can use it in the future.

# Vocabulary file 3

This activity may be done in language support class or in the mainstream subject classroom.

Word	Meaning	Word in my language
assess		
involve		
decide		
international		
civic		
subjects		
committee		

Get your teacher to check this and then file it in your folder so you can use it in the future.

- Invite students to provide key words in their own languages.
- Encourage dictionary use.
- Encourage students to organise their vocabulary into relevant categories (e.g. meaning, nouns, keywords, verbs etc.).



Students should record vocabulary and terms from the spidergram in their personal dictionaries.

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Level: All Type of activity: Whole class **Focus:** vocabulary, spelling, dictionary **Suggested time:** 10 minutes

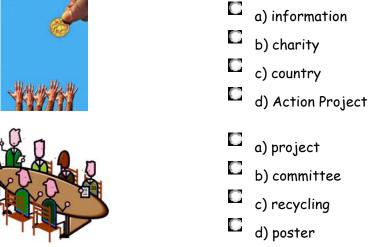
# Activating students' existing knowledge

Use a spidergram to activate students' ideas and knowledge on the key points in this chapter. See **Teachers' Notes** for suggestions.

Possible key terms for the spidergram:

# responsibility action project

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individual	ords - Tick the co	rrect answer



Look at these two groups of words. Check the meanings in your dictionary and see how the words are related. Then write a note to explain the words in your own language.

Families of words	In my language
concerned unconcerned charity charities	
involve involvement community communal	

### Scrambled sentences

Re-arrange these words to make sentences. Do not forget the punctuation.



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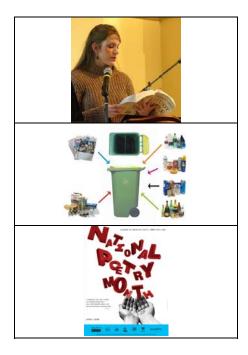
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# Picture Sentences - Tick the correct answer

- 1. a) This is a guest speaker.
  - b) This is a committee.
  - c) This is a game.
- 2. a) This is a class.
  - b) This is recycling.
  - c) These are citizens.
- 3. a) This is an invited speaker.
  - b) This is a poster.
  - c) These are guests.



Put a circle around the words that are connected to your Action Project in CSPE. Use your dictionary and textbook if you are not sure.

responsibilities	lunch			
			assessment	
		citizen		
ring			chair	
	democracy	class		
concept				
			rights	
	action			
individual				
	dog	charity	light	

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Focus: word identification, vocabulary Suggested time: 20 minutes

# Odd One Out

Circle the word which does not fit with the other words in each line.

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1.	council	biscuit	councillors	issue	
2.	project	action	report	dog	
3.	breakfast	recycling	bins	litter	
4.	questions	students	guitar	talk	

Collect all the words that you can use to describe your Action Project:

Write 4 sentences about your Action Project. You can write about a Project you have done or a Project you are doing or planning to do.

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2.	
3.	
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# CSPE Keywords

Fill in the missing letters of the keywords below.

On the line beside each word, write whether the word is a noun, an adjective or a verb.

1.	envonnt	
2.	infmat_on	
3.	reecti_ns	
4.	co_ce_t	

#### Find these words in your textbook.

Write your own explanations for the words. Then write the word in your own language. Use your dictionary if necessary.

Word	Page in textbook	Explanation	In my language
to reflect			
concept			
environment			
involvement			

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Unscramble the letters

We ask these when we want to know something UNESSQTIO 1.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

2. These people are part of the council

Answer

3. This is another word for an idea

Answer

4. This is the person who is talking at a meeting **PRKESAE** 

Answer

Solve the secret code

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English=	A	D	G	I	Κ	L	0	S	Т
Code=	В	X	У	F	G	Q	R	0	L

example: OBQL = SALT

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Focus: key vocabulary,

Suggested time: 20 minutes

pronunciation, spelling

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Do you know what the word means?

Have you got this word in your personal dictionary?

Look at each word

as you write the

Is your <u>spelling</u>

pronounce the

answer.

correct?

Can you

word?

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## Completing sentences

#### Fill in the blanks in these sentences. Use words from the Word Box below.

CSPE is concerned with you being active citizens and it is through \_\_\_\_\_\_ Action Projects that you demonstrate how you can take action over an \_\_\_\_\_\_ that concerns and interests you. This \_\_\_\_\_\_ Project will form part of your results. When you write it up for your exam, in a report or coursework \_\_\_\_\_\_, you will be showing the knowledge, skills and attitudes you have developed while studying this \_\_\_\_\_\_. The knowledge, skills and attitudes you have developed over the last three years are also examined in the written paper.

	course	issue		Action
	book		your	
		Te	nses	
	Present			Past
Fill in the	to enable			
past tenses of these verbs!	to prepare			
Highlight the irregular	to do			
verbs.	to make			
	to have			

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# **Multiple choice**



### (Read the text below and choose the best answers)

#### Text:

Students can also choose to use a Coursework Assessment Book (CWAB) as part of their assessment.

Things to note while doing a CWAB:

- If a Coursework Assessment Book is chosen, a student must have undertaken **two** different Action Projects, these are then used in answering certain questions that are contained in the book.
- The book requires you to answer questions on **two** modules of work you have done on a specific **theme**, e.g. homelessness, refugees, the environment, or a **core concept** in CSPE e.g. rights and responsibilities, law or democracy.
- The **title** of the Action Projects mentioned must be different to the title of the modules.
- There has to be an Action Project undertaken for each module. The projects must be different. For example if the first Action Project involved a guestionnaire, the second must show a different kind of action like an interview.
- When you are asked what you have learned, give facts.
- When asked what skills you have learned, mention at least two.
- You are asked several times what you have learned, remember **not to repeat** yourself in any of these questions.

(Impact, page 211)

1. How many action projects must you undertake during your CSPE course?

a)	none	b)	one
c)	two	d)	three

- 2. What should you answer questions on in your CWAB?
  - a) a specific theme or core concept b) a title
  - c) a module d) a book
- 3. What is the rule about the two action projects?
  - a) they must have interviews b) they must be different
  - c) they must be long d) they must be pink
- 4. Should you give facts when you are asked what you have learned?
  - a) Yes b) No
- 5. Should you repeat yourself in any of the questions?a) Yesb) No

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# Planning text

Use this chart to plan a short text on the topic, 'The Earth is on loan to us'.

Introduction	Important words for this topic.
First paragraph	
Second paragraph	What is the difference between <u>concern</u> for the environment and <u>lack of concern</u> for the
Concluding points	environment?

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se your plan and y	our textbook to write about the topic: ' <b>The Earth is on loan to us</b> '.	
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# Grammar points

In this Unit, we came across the following verbs:

- to do
- to organise
- to fill

Check these words in your dictionary. Can you write these verbs in the past tense?

## Verb Hunt

Circle the 10 verbs in these columns. Score 4 points for each correct answer. Who will score the highest? Perhaps you will. Good luck!

talk		
council	local	
	undertaken	
module	slow	
invite	51014	
	reflect	
guest	about	
bins		
work	assess	N D D D
learned	logo	Have you ticked
learnea	class	this activity on your
good	to be some attended.	Learning Record?
fill in	international	
	decide	
fundraise		
Score:	points	

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**Grammar Points** 

Verbs continued.

1. Action Projects require lots of action – and that means lots of verbs! The following sentences are taken from your textbook. Read the sentences and fill in the missing verb.

returns phones organises brainstorms arranges asks invites prepares suggests writes greets

The Permissions Committee:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Principal for permission to invite guest speaker into the school.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Principal to the talk.

The Questions Committee:

- \_\_\_\_\_ questions with all students.
- \_\_\_\_\_ questions on cards.

The Recording Committee:

- \_\_\_\_\_ who will record what.
- \_\_\_\_\_ possible follow-up events or actions.

The Inviting committee:

- \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ to speaker asking them to visit.
- \_\_\_\_\_ speaker on arrival at school.

The Room-Organising Committee:

- \_\_\_\_\_ chairs in room for students.
- \_\_\_\_\_ any borrowed items such as glasses, etc.
- 2. You can check your answers with the textbook, or compare with one another.
- 3. Next, practise using verbs by making a list of the things you have to do when:

going on holidays... doing an exam... having visitors to your house...

Get your teacher to check your work then file it in your folder in the CSPE section.

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# Alphaboxes

#### Levels A1 and A2

Using your textbook, find <u>one</u> word beginning with each of the letters of the alphabet. Write the word in the relevant box. You could also write the word in your own language.

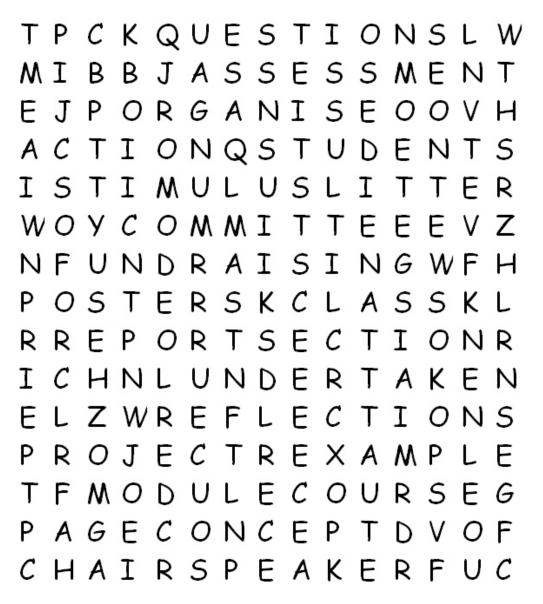
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d	e	f	
9	h	i	Do you understand all these words?
j	k	1	Get your teacher to
m	n	0	check this, then file it in your folder so you can
р	q	r	use it in the future.
S	+	u	
V	W	xyz	

## Word Search



# Level: All levels

Find the words in the box below. When you have found all the words, write each word in your own language.



ACTION	LITTER	REPORT
ASSESSMENT	MODULE	SECTION
CHAIRS	ORGANISE	SPEAKER
CLASS	PAGE	STIMULUS
COMMITTEE	POSTERS	STUDENTS
CONCEPT	PROJECT	UNDERTAKEN
COURSE	QUESTIONS	
EXAMPLE	REFLECTIONS	
FUNDRAISING		

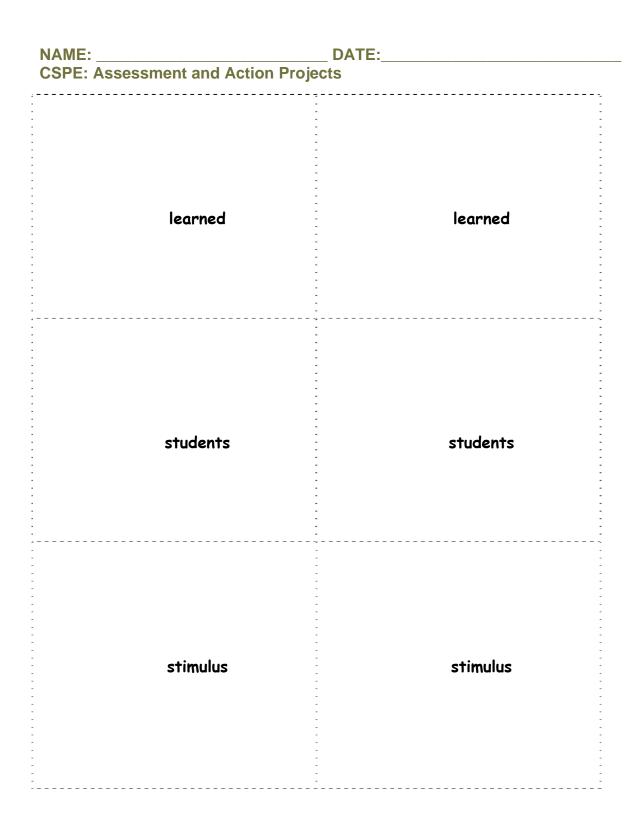
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# Play Snap

Make Snap cards with 2 sets of the same keywords. See Notes for teachers for ideas about how to use the cards.

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issue	issue
concept	concept
organise	organise

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assessment	assessment	
module	module	
undertaken	undertaken	

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# Answer key

### Scrambled sentences =

The Action Project is part of the assessment. The environment is important for all.

responsibilities	S		
		-: <b>+</b> :	assessment
		citizen	
	democracy	class	
concept			
	action		rights
individual			
		charity	

Odd One Out =	biscuit, dog, breakfast, guitar
Letter Scramble =	questions councillors concept
	speaker
Secret Code =	it's good to talk!

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(Impact!, page 208)

Multiple Choice =

c, d, b, a, b

**Grammar Points** = talk, invite, work, learned (to learn), fill in, fundraise, undertaken (to undertake), reflect, assess, decide

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