

National Identity and Values

A TWINS PROJECT PLAN

Aim

Through this Twins Exchange Project students will have the opportunity to research some of the people, events, cultural influences and images of their country before sharing this information with their Twin School.

General Overview

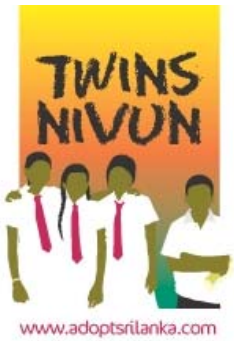
Each country is made up of diverse cultures, images and people. Throughout history many significant events and the people involved in those events have shaped the way people see themselves as a nation.

Students will work in pairs to create a poster or booklet for their TWIN school. The topic is "National Identity and Values"; with a focus on the things that makes them unique.

Each presentation needs to include: images of their country, significant events, famous citizens and cultural influences that have shaped their Nation.

Method

- A TWIN School from Sri Lanka and their TWIN School agree to share this project.
- The TWINS Coordinators set a deadline when the project will be completed and exchanged.
- Students work in pairs and use the Activity sheet as a guide to help them brainstorm significant things about their country under each of the headings
- Students then choose three images, three significant events, three famous people and three cultural influences from their list.
- They then research these topics using the internet, library reference books, encyclopaedias, magazines and interviewing people.
- Utilising the research collected, students prepare colourful posters or booklets describing their National Identity. These posters/booklets should include illustrations.
- The finished project should present the student's interpretation and understanding of 'who are we?', 'what makes us different?' and 'why'?



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ACTIVITY SHEET

Images

- Landscapes
- Beaches/River ways/Lakes
- Jungles/Forests/Bush Land
- Sports
- Landmarks
- Icons
- Animals

Significant Events

- National Day/Independence Days
- National Holidays
- Festivals
- Sporting Events

Famous People

- Sporting Heroes
- National Heroes
- Politicians
- Artists
- Leaders
- Movie Stars

Cultural Influences

- Immigration
- Cultural Backgrounds
- Traditions
- Art and Culture