

Financial Literacy: The Designer Lesson Plan

Connections to Financial Literacy

Describe the financial literacy knowledge and skills which will be addressed and assessed in this lesson. Financial literacy knowledge and skills could include, but are not limited to:

- consumer protection and consumer awareness;
- personal financial planning such as budgeting
- planning for the future

Math, language, Unit Grade 7: Be the Designer	Subject/Course Code/Title/Curriculum Policy
Curriculum Expectations	Learning Goals
 Mathematics – Measurement report on research into real-life applications of area measurement solve problems that require conversion between metric units of area English – Media 2.2 identify the conventions and techniques used in a variety 	At the end of this lesson, students will know, understand and/or be able to plan a room's renovation (on walls, ceiling, and floor) with specific dimensions, given a budget. They will be able to apply surface area
of media forms and explain how they help convey meaning and influence or engage audiences	
 English – Writing (write a proposal, edit, write clearly) 	

Instructional Components and Context		
Readiness	Materials	
 Understand role of designer – provides options but stays within budget as well Able to find area of irregular shapes. Know how to read nets. Be able to determine the sales tax and add it to the total Understands that materials for building uses feet, not meters Able to work in a small group and within a time deadline Be able to read advertising in flyers, understanding that if an item is highlighted, it may be a better deal. Also, be able to read to see the sizes, or area covered, by the material 	 variety of decorating magazines, brochures and catalogues from companies who provide services (Costco, Ikea, Sears etc), flyers from box stores (Home Depot, RONA, etc.) - keep in mind that some provide installation as an added price Bristol board, glue, scissors – for final presentation calculator Teacher generated floor plans (use nets) of rooms that have an irregular floor and several windows (simpler floor plans for those who need it, and complex shapes for others). The rooms will vary, and can be different rooms in a house. 	
Terminology Area		
Net		
Surface area		
Irregular shape		
Sales tax		

 Minds On Establishing a positive learning environment Connecting to prior learning and/or experiences Setting the context for learning 	Connections Explicitly label: A@L Assessment for learning A@L Assessment as learning A@L Assessment of learning
	Explicitly identify planned differentiation of content, process, or product based on readiness, interest, or learning
Whole Class \Rightarrow Think, Pair, Share (10 min)	
Have you ever wanted to have a make-over of your bedroom? What would you do?	A@L Assessment for learning
Some people get paid to give professional advice on how to do this. These interior decorators research a variety of options and present them to their customer. Are you able to name designers? What kinds of services do they provide? What are some skills designers must have?	
The teacher is the client and will decide whether she will use each design team, based on their presentation and ability to create a new room within budget.	
Action! Introducing new learning or extending/reinforcing prior learning Providing opportunities for practice and application of learning (guided > independent) 	
Whole Class or Groups of 5 \Rightarrow Small group work (may take 2 periods)	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~
In a small group, use the given budget to redesign a room. The group must determine which materials they will use to create a new room. If there is money left over, they may buy furniture and accessories.	Use ability grouping, hints, or easier room plan. To challenge students,
Process:	Ael Assessment of learning
Students use the net of their room to determine the area of the ceiling, walls, and floor.	
Students will browse through magazines for ideas and brochures, catalogues, and flyers to determine what is available, what is possible to use, and what is out of price range.	
Students will determine the cost of each of part of the room design and factor in any additional costs (ex installation) and the sales tax.	
Students may offer a variety of options for their client, including furniture.	

 Consolidation Providing opportunities for consolidation and reflection Helping students demonstrate what they have learned 	
 Whole Class ⇒ Bansho (5 min per group) Each group presents their room plan and final cost (taxes included), explaining how they solved problems they encountered and answering any questions that the students/teacher have. For homework -> have students explain the process they would use to redesign their own bedroom with a pretend budget. They can present their findings to their parents to see if their proposal would be met. 	See Ask simpler questions or throw in a "wrench" to see the process the group would use to solve it A@L Assessment of learning
Extension -> in art class, use your plan to draw the before and after, using perspective drawing. Include furniture in the after.	