Year Five

Lesson 6

Lesson length: 60 minutes

Unit title: Keeping relationships healthy and safe

Lesson title: Growing up and puberty



Learning Objectives

To understand that relationships and responsibilities change as you move into adulthood

To describe the changes as humans develop to old age

Relationships and Health Education

Learning Outcomes

Respectful relationships

 The importance of permission-seeking and giving, in relationships with friends, peers and adults

Changing adolescent body

 key facts about puberty and the changing adolescent body, particularly from age 9 through to age 11, including physical and emotional changes

Suggested Activities

Begin by exploring the different stages of the human life cycle.

You may want to compare life cycles of different species.

Activity Discuss with pupils where they feel they are in the life cycle and what changes occur for their stage of the life cycle.

Introduce the word puberty - Pupils may be able to define this word or provide them with a definition.

Puberty is the name for the time when your body begins to develop and change as you move from being a child to an adult. During puberty, your body will grow faster than at any other time in your life.

Puberty can happen from the age of 8 years -16 years; it starts and ends at different times for individuals.

Explore questions:

- 1. What happens?
- 2. When does it happen?
- 3. Why does it happen?

Optional You may want to use the books 'Bits and Bobs, Sweats and Spots' by Sandra Passmore & Lana Gaskin.

- List the changes that happen to boys/girls
- Females changes to breasts and nipples
- Males change in scrotum and genitals
- Include changes in skin, hair etc.

Why does this happen?

- Explore emotional changes that occur
- Discuss when and why personal hygiene is important e.g. religious/cultural links if necessary
- Go through the responses and provide feedback

(You may also include a discussion on personal hygiene)

https://raisingchildren.net.au/pre-teens/healthy-lifestyle/hygiene-dental-care/hygiene-pre-teens-teens

Optional You may want to show a range of personal hygiene products that young people can use.

Debrief Circle time - pupils to reflect on learning from the lesson and how to respect each other during this sensitive time of change.

Unicef Articles

Article: 12,13,14,16,28

Resources

Show a range of personal hygiene products **Optional**

'Bits and Bobs, Sweats and Spots' by Sandra Passmore & Lana Gaskin

Key vocabulary

Puberty Relationships Peers Respect Emotional