

Civic Responsibility

LESSON GOAL

Reflect on personal actions of civic responsibility and present the Action Project as a group.

ESSENTIAL QUESTION

How can I develop civic responsibility?

INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGY

BLOGGER

- Review Action Project status in Blogger

ANNOUNCEMENT

- Check Announcements for any information about assignments and due dates.

MY PORTFOLIO

- Submit work to My Portfolio.

MY WORKSPACE

- Prepare your assignments in My Workspace.

LESSONS

- Review the lesson.
- Complete assignment.
- Submit assignment.

ASSIGNMENTS

- Use Assignments to submit your artifacts and reflections.

GRADEBOOK

- Check Gradebook for your lesson evaluation.

SCHEDULE

- Check schedule for assignments and due dates.

COMMUNICATE

with your teacher or other students if desired

- Blogger
- Chat Room
- Drop box
- Mailtool

3 class periods

LESSON OVERVIEW

This lesson wraps up your Action Project that you began in Lesson 14. You will complete a final reflection on your project and give yourself a grade for it using the *Action Project Self Assessment*. Then you will collaborate once again with your team members to design an organized, comprehensive presentation of your Action Project. You will rehearse the presentation in front of another team in the class; then you will switch roles with that team and give them your suggestions as well.

After rehearsals and much preparation, your team will present your Action Project to the class. This presentation will put all the pieces of your Action Project together. You've worked hard. Make sure you finish strong with a poignant, interesting presentation to show off your hard work.

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

1. Complete a self assessment of work on the Action Project.
2. Work in team to create a presentation of the Action Project.
3. Present Action Project to the class.
4. Write a final reflection about the Action Project.

How you can succeed in this lesson

1. Complete the self assessment on your Action Project thoughtfully and thoroughly.
2. Give beneficial, specific feedback to a team that rehearses their presentation in front of you.
3. Develop your Action Project Presentation based on the *Action Project Presentation Guidelines* and *Rubric* criteria.
4. Complete a thoughtful reflection on your Action Project communicating insights on civic responsibility and your personal growth.



ASSIGNMENT 1

You have completed your Action Project. Now it's time for you to give yourself a grade. How do you think you did on this project? Be honest. Take a close look at how you performed by completing the *Action Project Self Assessment*. Some of the categories apply to only you, and others apply to your team as a whole. Process through what you did well and think about what you could improve in the future. When you are finished with the assessment, use the *Sakai Assignments Tool* to submit it for evaluation.



ASSIGNMENT 2

Now is the time to show off all you have accomplished with this project. You will be presenting it to a group of your peers as practice and then to your teacher and the whole class. Take a careful look at the *Action Project Presentation Guidelines* to know what to include

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in the presentation. Make sure to meet all the requirements.

Keep in mind how you will be assessed by reading the **Action Project Presentation Rubric**. Strive to do the following in your presentation:

- Rehearse, rehearse, rehearse! Polish your presentation by being prepared.
- Communicate your section of the presentation clearly. Explain the details.
- Use complete sentences. Rehearsing will help you do this better.
- Look the audience in the eye and stand up straight. Good posture displays confidence.
- Keep your time in check. Don't ramble on. Don't cut it short. Again, rehearsing will help you develop your section and estimate the time.
- Project your voice to the back of the room. We want to hear all you have to say. A loud, clear voice demonstrates confidence as well.

You will also assess another team using the **Action Project Presentation Rubric**. Listen carefully to their presentation. It is hard to present in front of peers, so respect your fellow team by being attentive and giving specific, beneficial feedback. Offer both positive and constructive comments. You

will appreciate the same when you switch spots and present in front of another team for rehearsal.

When you have completed your presentation, use the **Sakai** Assignments Tool to submit it for evaluation.



ASSIGNMENT 3

Step back and review this entire experience. Thoughtfully answer the questions of the **Final Reflection on Action Project**.

Margaret Mead encouraged, "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

- Do you think your team changed the world in some way?
- Do you need more thought and commitment?
- Would you agree with Mead?

Process through the reflection questions on the **Final Reflection on Action Project**. Also, reflect on your own understanding of civic responsibility and how it's changed. Do you think you are more civically responsible now than when you started this project? When you have completed your answers, use the **Sakai** Assignments Tool to submit your reflection for evaluation.

Multiply the points by the weighted score and record in the total column for each rubric. Then tally the total points for the final score.

Weighted Score	Category	Exceeding 9-10 Points	Meeting 6-8 Points	Approaching 3-5 Points	Emerging 0-2 Points	Total
1	ASSIGNMENT 1 Action Project Self Assessment Complete the Action Project Self Assessment .	Completed self assessment thoughtfully and thoroughly.	Completed most of self assessment.	Completed some of self assessment.	Completed little to none of the self assessment.	
3	ASSIGNMENT 2 Peer Feedback Assess presentations using an Action Project Presentation Rubric for each presentation viewed.	Gave beneficial, specific feedback to rehearsal team.	Gave some beneficial feedback to rehearsal team.	Made attempt to give feedback to rehearsal team.	Did not give feedback to rehearsal team.	
4	ASSIGNMENT 3 Final Reflection on Action Project Complete the Final Reflection on Action Project .	Completed thoughtful reflection on action project communicating insights on civic responsibility and tremendous personal growth.	Completed reflection on action project and offered some insights on civic responsibility and some on personal growth.	Made an attempt to complete reflection on action project; little detail provided.	Did not complete reflection on action project.	