



BVS Dhamma School

Leading the way to Happiness

Syllabus for Grade 3

Lesson 1	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – The Birth Of The Prince</u>	Describe and explain Queen Mahamaya’s dream – the birth of a Prince. Explain Asita’s prediction and the naming ceremony	Pages 1, 2, & 3 – Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 2	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – Childhood Of The Prince</u>	Describe and explain about Prince Siddharatha’s stepmother, the rose apple tree and the wounded swan	Pages 4 & 5 – Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 3	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – The Three Refuge</u>	Teach the Pali version of the three refuge – recite with children – Teach the significance and meaning of the Three Refuge (Tisarana)	Page 7 – Vandana Paying Homage

Lesson 4	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – The Five Precepts</u> (1 st & 2 nd Precepts)	Teach the Pali version of the 1 st & 2 nd gathas - recite with children – Explain the significance and meaning of these gathas	Page 2 – Buddhist Devotions

Lesson 5	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – The Five Precepts</u> (3 rd , 4 th , & 5 th Precepts)	Teach the Pali version of the 3 rd , 4 th , & 5 th gathas – recite with children – Explain the significance and meaning of these gathas	Page 2 – Buddhist Devotions

Lesson 6	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – The Four Sights</u>	Explain and discuss about the four sights	Page 9 – Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 7	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – The Great Renunciation</u>	Discuss with children about the Prince leaving the palace, looking for teachers, and the Prince's six years of hardship	Page 15 – Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 8	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic - Enlightenment</u>	Describe the story – Sujatha and Bodhi Tree	Page 16 - Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 9	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic - Chief Monks/Chief Nuns</u>	Explain about the first five monks and nuns – Pajapathi&Vaidehi	Pages 19 & 21 – Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 10	Learning Objectives	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – The Parinirvana Of Lord Buddha</u>	Describe the last movements of Lord Buddha	Pages 26 & 27 – Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 11	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – Homage To The Buddha (Buddha Vandana)</u>	Teach the Pali version of the gatha – recite with children (ItiPisoBhagava)	Page 2 – Vandana Buddhist Devotions

Lesson 12	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – Puja (Offering)</u>	Teach the Pali version of the gathas – recite with children – offering flowers, lit up lamps, incense, water, and food	Pages 5 & 6 – Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 13	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic - The Four Noble Truths</u>	Explain the basis of Lord Buddha's teachings and the four noble truths	Page 29 – Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 14	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – The First Noble Truth (Dukkha)</u>	Explain Lord Buddha's discovery of suffering	Page 30 – Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 15	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic - The Second & Third Noble Truths (The cause of suffering/The end of suffering)</u>	Explain the cause of suffering and the end of suffering Example – some of the causes of suffering is due to greed and selfishness – Example – how to end suffering would be to remove one self from selfish desires	Page 32 – Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 16	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – The Fourth Noble Truth (Path leading to the end of suffering)</u>	Explain ways on how to end suffering and discuss/teach the noble eightfold path	Page 33 – Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 17	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – Homage To Parents (Mother)</u>	Teach the Pali version and recite with children – DasaMaseUrekathwa	Vandana Paying Homage (Handbook of VandanaGatha)

Lesson 18	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – Homage to Parents (Father)</u>	Teach the Pali version and recite with children – UddiKaroAlingitva)	Vandana Paying Homage (Handbook of VandanaGatha)

Lesson 19	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – The AtthangaSeela</u>	Teach the Pali version and recite with children – Explain and discuss the significance and meaning of following the AtthangaSeela	Page 7 – Vandana Paying Homeage

Lesson 20	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – Homage To Lord Buddha</u>	Teach the Pali version and recite with children – teach the children to accurately pronounce the words, teach and discuss the meaning	Page 9 – Vandana Paying Homage

Lesson 21	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – Homage To The Dhamma</u>	Teach the Pali version and recite with children – teach the children to accurately pronounce the words, teach and discuss the meaning	Page 9 – Vandana Paying Homage

Lesson 22	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – Homage To Sangha</u>	Teach the Pali version and recite with the children – teach the children to accurately pronounce the words, teach and discuss the meaning	Page 9 – Vandana Paying Homage

Lesson 23	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – Buddhist Festivals</u>	Discuss Buddhist festivals that are celebrated throughout the year	Page 51 – Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 24	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – Buddhist Stories</u>	Story – KisaGotami – How to recognize that suffering is a part of life and no individual can avoid it	Story 1 – Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 25	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – Glossary</u>	Teach, explain discuss words from the Pali version gathas	Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 26	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – Sunday School (Dhamma School)</u>	Why our parents send us to Sunday (Dhamma) School – How important it is to learn Buddhism	General Knowledge

Lesson 27	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>Topic – Prepare For Exam</u>	Focusing on final exam – Revising some of the lessons, question/answer/information time	Buddhism Key Stage II

Lesson 28	Learning Objective	Focus/Source
<u>FINAL EXAM</u>	Evaluation	Past Lessons