



BVS Dhamma School
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Syllabus for Grade 4

1	Topic	King <i>Suddhodana</i> and Queen <i>Mahāmāyā</i>
	Learning Objective	Able to understand who are King Suddhodana and Queen Mahāmāyā and the dream.
	Focus/Source	a) Read and discuss the lesson and answer the Question. b) Draw the Dream of Queen Mahāmāyā

2	Topic	The Birth in <i>Lumbinī</i> Park
	Learning Objective	Able to Understand When and Where the Birth took place, the customs and first words and It's meaning
	Focus/Source	Read and understand the lesson and answer the Questions

	Topic	The Naming Ceremony
3	Learning Objective	Able to Know the customs of naming ceremony, the first salutation of king, The five wise Brahamins, what did they prognosticate, what was the given name and It's meaning .
	Focus/Source	Discuss the lesson and answer the Questions as a pair work

	Topic	His Education
4	Learning Objective	Introduce Queen Prajāpatī Gotami and her role to Prince Siddhārtha, His first teacher Sarvamitra and Prince's talants
	Focus/Source	Read and answer the Questions in group

	Topic	Prince <i>Siddhārtha</i>'s Kindness
5	Learning Objective	To be able to know the Prince Siddhārtha's Kindness towards all living beings
	Focus/Source	a) Discuss the story about Swan who got shot by Devadatta and save by Prince Siddhartha. b) Answer the question and to be able to tell the story and understand the moral and practice in day today life.

6	Topic	Prince <i>Siddhārtha</i>'s Wedding.
	Learning Objective	Able to understand the Prince Siddhārtha's luxury life and wedding customs.
	Focus/Source	Discuss the lesson , introduction of Yasodharā and answers the questions in pairs

7	Topic	An Old Beggar
	Learning Objective	Able to describe the first sight and their respective awakenings in the Buddha's view on life.
	Focus/Source	Read the lesson in pairs discuss and answer the questions

8	Topic	A Sick Man.
	Learning Objective	Able to describe the second sight and their respective awakenings in the Buddha's view on life
	Focus/Source	Listen to the out loud reading of the lesson and answer the Question and discuss the lesson. (Listening Activity)

9	Topic	A Dead Body.
	Learning Objective	Able to describe the third sight and their respective awakenings in the Buddha's view on life
	Focus/Source	Discuss the Lesson and talk about the unavoidable suffering of life with positive attitudes. Answer the Questions.

10	Topic	A Monk
	Learning Objective	Able to describe the forth sight and their respective awakenings in the Buddha's view on life
	Focus/Source	Discuss the lesson and Prince Siddhartha's feelings towards the holy man .Introduce Rāhula and Kisāgotamī and discuss the difference between the real happiness and selfish happiness. Answer the questions.

11	Topic	Leaving Home.
	Learning Objective	Able to understand the Renunciation and why Prince Siddhārtha did it. Introduce Kanthaka the loyal horse and its feeling.
	Focus/Source	Read and produce the lesson in group and discuss lesson. Point out the differences and similarities of renounced person and homeless person. Answer the questions.

12	Topic	King <i>Bimbisāra</i>'s Offer.
	Learning Objective	Able to understand Ascetic Gothama. Introduce Rājagaha city and the King Bimmiśāra's offer
	Focus/Source	Read in pairs and discuss the lesson and the feelings of students. Answer the Questions.

13	Topic	Ālāra and Uddaka.
	Learning Objective	Able to understand the teachings of Ālara and Uddaka.
	Focus/Source	Introduce the five friends-Kondanna, Baddiya, Vappa, Mahānāma and Assaji . Read, discuss and answer the questions.

14	Topic	Torturing the Body.
	Learning Objective	Able to understand the extreme end of torturing the body and mind to find the right path
	Focus/Source	In pairs read produce the lesson to class, discuss the lesson and answer the questions. Draw a picture of Gautama's torturing body.

15	Topic	<i>Sujāta</i> offers him Milk –Rice.
	Learning Objective	Able to understand the Result of strong will power of Gautama and Sujāta.
	Focus/Source	Introduce Sujāta . Read in groups and discuss the lesson and answers the questions.

16	Topic	Enlightenment – Buddhahood.
	Learning Objective	Able to understand the What’s Enlightenment.
	Focus/Source	Read in groups and discuss the disturbances and how he overcome them and attend Buddhahood and answer the lesson.

17	Topic	Seven Weeks after the Enlightenment
	Learning Objective	Able to know the how Buddha spent the seven weeks and why and what happened during that period.
	Focus/Source	Read in 7 groups and introduce the lesson to class and answer the question .Draw the 7 weeks.

18	Topic	Meeting the Five Friends.
	Learning Objective	Able to know how Buddha meet his five friends and follow his teaching.
	Focus/Source	Read the lesson in groups, discuss and answer the questions.

19	Topic	<i>Yasa and his fifty-four friends.</i>
	Learning Objective	Introduce first 60 Bhikkhūs (Buddhist Monks) and lay followers.
	Focus/Source	Listen and answer the questions. (listening activity) Discuss the lesson.

20	Topic	<i>Kassapa Brothers.</i>
	Learning Objective	Able to know how Buddha tamed the king serpent, 3 Kassapa brothers and their followers by spreading the love and kindness.
	Focus/Source	Discuss the lesson and answer the question.

	Topic	Returning Home
21	Learning Objective	Able to understand the difference between Buddha's customs and his relations custom and did the first twin miracle to make the awareness of relations.
	Focus/Source	Read and discuss the lesson and answer the questions.

	Topic	Prince Yasodharā.
22	Learning Objective	Able to understand the devotion of Yasodhara and how Buddha respects her.
	Focus/Source	Read in groups and discuss the lesson and answer the questions.

	Topic	Prince Nanda.
23	Learning Objective	Able to tell the story of Prince Nanda.
	Focus/Source	Read the story and do the role play in groups and answer the questions.

24	Topic	Prince <i>Rāhula</i>.
	Learning Objective	Able to tell the story of Prince Rāhula.
	Focus/Source	Read and discuss the lesson and answer the questions.

25	Topic	The Two Chief Disciples.
	Learning Objective	Able to know how Upatissa and Kolita learn Buddha's teaching.
	Focus/Source	Read in groups and answers the questions and discuss the lesson

26	Topic	The <i>Buddha's</i> Daily Routine.
	Learning Objective	Able to understand the Buddha's daily routine.
	Focus/Source	Read the lesson in five groups and introduce the five sessions and answers the questions.

27	Topic	Poor Sopaka & Lady-Patācāra .
	Learning Objective	Able to tell the stories of Sopaka and Patācāra
	Focus/Source	Listening to the lesson and answer the question. (listening activity) Discuss the story and act out in groups. In groups read and answers the questions and discuss the story and the morals.

28	Topic	Respecting the Venerable Monks
	Learning Objective	To make them understood the proper way of respecting Venerable monks
	Focus/Source	“Sīlavantam gunavantam Punnakkhettam anuttaram Dullabhena mayā laddham Buddhaputtam namāmaham”