

Units of inquiry for Nursery 1	Who we are 我们是谁 An inquiry into the nature of the self; beliefs and values; personal, physical, mental, social and spiritual health; human relationships including families, friends, communities, and cultures; rights and responsibilities; what it means to be human. 对自我本质的探究;对信仰与价值观的探究;对个人、身 体、心智、社交和精神健康的探究;对各种人际关系,包括 家庭、朋友、社区和文化的探究;对权利与责任的探究;对作为人的意义的探究。  Central idea 中心思想 A sense of self can be influenced by interactions with others 通过与他人的互动能够影响自我意识  Key concepts 重要概念: Causation 原因, Responsibility 责任  Related Concepts 相关概念: Impact 影响,  Attributes of the Learner Profile 学习者培养目标: Open-minded 胸襟开阔, Principled 坚持原则	How the world works 世界如何运作 An inquiry into the natural world and its law; the interaction between the natural world (physical and biological) and human societies; how humans use their understanding of scientific principles; the impact of scientific and technological advances on society and on the environment.  探究自然界以及自然规律;(物质的与生物的)自然界与人类社会的互动;人类如何利用他们对科学原理的理解;科技进步对社会与环境的影响。  Central idea 中心思想 The natural world offers many opportunities 自然界提供了许多机遇  Key concepts 重要概念: Change 变化, Function 功能  Related Concepts 相关概念: Behaviour 行为, Growth 成长  Attributes of the Learner Profile 学习者培养目标: Inquirers 积极探究, Thinkers 勤于思考	How we express ourselves 我们如何表达自己 An inquiry into the ways in which we discover and express ideas, feelings, nature, culture, beliefs and values; the ways in which we reflect on, extend and enjoy our creativity; our appreciation of the aesthetic. 探究我们发现和表达观点、情感、大自然、文化、信仰与价值观的方式;我们反思、扩展、享受我们创造力的方式;我们的审美鉴赏。  Central idea 中心思想 People communicate ideas and feelings in different ways 人们以各种方式进行交流想法和感受  Key concepts 重要概念: Form 形式,Perspective 观点  Related Concepts 相关概念: Similarities 相似 Differences 差异性,Opinion 建议  Attributes of the Learner Profile 学习者培养目标: Communicators 善于交流,Courageous 勇于尝试	Stand Alone
The child in a social-cultural context - a positive sense of self; awareness and acceptance of their unique strengths and interests; a sense of being 'special'	Demonstrate the ability to form trusting relationships and attachments to others in the environment.  Participate positively in routines and transition experiences when supported by making predictions about their day  Demonstrate a sense of belonging to the environment and the people within it  Describe their own physical characteristics e.g. I have long hair and brown eyes  Talk about their needs for assistance or support  Demonstrate the ability to adjust to new/ unfamiliar routines, situations and challenges  Talk about what they like (to do, to eat, to have as a friend) and evaluate what they do not like	Cooperates with others in group situations.  Demonstrate a sense of belonging to the environment and the people within it  Demonstrate courage and resilience; initiate tasks that might be new/unfamiliar  Express their ideas, thoughts and feelings with others; respond to other's suggestions and ideas  Take risks and learn from mistakes	Display confidence about themselves and own abilities;  Display awareness that everyone is unique and 'special'; describe family members and friends by their physical characteristics  Express their thoughts, ideas and feelings with others  Display the ability to both express and regulate feelings and emotions  Explore aspects of identity in play (as a 'baby,' a 'parent,' or 'big sister.')	



The child in a social-cultural context - the ability to self-motivate and realistically regulate one's feelings and emotions; to persist when faced with a challenge; to accept responsibility for their actions and emotions and to feel empowered	Develop awareness that their actions have an impact on others and attempt to regulate their feelings and physical actions  Suggest possible options to allow play to continue e.g. propose solutions rather than reacting physically in a 'problem' situation  Demonstrate the ability to engage over time in a task proposed by another person e.g. an adult  Demonstrate confidence in making decisions	Demonstrate the ability to engage over time in a task proposed by another person e.g. an adult  Display positive dispositions towards their own learning (persistence)  Approach tasks and challenges positively  Pursue goals with confidence and determination	Talk about their own feelings and propose reasons for feeling a particular way (I feel sad because I didn't have a turn)  Recognise the emotions/feelings (of adults and peers); begin to use words that describe feelings (happy, sad, angry)  Displays the ability to both initiate tasks and to maintain their engagement in a task.  Displays a positive disposition towards learning	
The child in a social-cultural context - a sense of autonomy and the ability to work both independently and interdependently	Participates positively in routines and transition experiences when supported  Accepts responsibility for their personal belongings and play materials.  Willingly offer assistance and support to others  Accept responsibility (with support) for their own well-being e.g. washing hands; putting their belongings in their bag	Demonstrate persistence in their learning (e.g try again after the first, or second attempt.)		
The child in a social-cultural context team membership and leadership skills; the ability to interact positively with their peers and adults and to respect and value their own and other's ideas	Show interest in being part of a social group  Ask others if they can enter into shared play (a non verbal request to play may be staying close by the play situation or beginning to use the same materials)	Actively participate as a member of a group, sharing ideas and resources  Display the ability to wait for their turn  Willingly take and share turns	Participate as a group member through shared social space e.g. using the same equipment, or playing close to other children  Understand turn taking from their own perspective (that it is 'their' turn)  Attend to and respond to the ideas and feelings of others (observe their facial expressions and gestures)	
The child in a social-cultural context - negotiation in social contexts, conflict resolution skills and an understanding of their role in making an active contribution to a peaceful community	Seek support to resolve social conflict situations as to avoid physical assertion e.g. look for an adult or another child to assist in a social conflict situation  Listen to others (adults and or children) attempting to resolve a social conflict		Display awareness of group living rules and the conventions of everyday communal living and codes of acceptable behaviour  Demonstrate an ability to regulate their feelings and emotions in social conflict situations	
The child as a communicator - the communication of ideas, thoughts, emotions and feelings using verbal (and non-verbal) language(s)	Attend to others for longer periods of time  Beginning to have clarity in verbal interaction	Participate actively as a contributor of group/shared goals  Asks questions to support curiosity	Strings words together in a simple sentence	Use language to recall an event/share an experience (may work in past, present and future tenses)



	Is beginning to engage in one to one and small group discussions/conversations listening to others, questioning, and responding appropriately within the context of the conversation  Repeat and explore words and sounds heard when interacting with others (children and adults, repetitive stories and chants)  Use language to resolve conflict situations	Attends to sounds in the environment(notice a bird call, or the sound of the rain; recognise an emergency vehicle siren)	Displays an increasing interest in using oral language to share ideas stories and songs  Demonstrates the use of multiple word sentences to describe, their ideas, thoughts and feelings  Uses simple familiar/repeated words from a different language (Mandarin)  Uses drawing, dancing, pretend play, puppets or drama to tell a story  Participate in simple clapping patterns
The child as a communicator - the communication of ideas, thoughts, emotions and feelings using the symbolic languages (expressive and creative languages)	Participates in imaginary play scenarios with others  Negotiate verbally and non-verbally to pretend play with others	Uses available resources to create props to support play  Builds stories around toys e.g. farm animals	Communicate through pretend or symbolic play e.g. use objects as if they were 'something else' e.g. a plate used 'as if' it was a steering wheel  Use oral language to narrate simple stories (pretend and real life stories which may be told in conjunction with puppets; drawing or painting their ideas)  Demonstrates more complex pretend play with peers
The child as a communicator - the communication of ideas, thoughts, emotions and feelings through print and text language/literacy awareness	. Willingly participates in 1:1 or small group (may seek out an adult to initiate a reading experience)  Engages in reading behaviours during pretend play  Joins in with repeated refrains and anticipates key events and phrases in rhymes and stories	story  Shows beginning awareness of signs and symbols in the environment.  Recognises some environmental print, e.g. Food labels, own name	Displays interest in and returns to look for favourite book  Asks questions about the images in a story or about the storyline-tells a favourite story  Fills in the missing word or phrase in a known rhyme, story or game  Listens to stories with increasing attention and recall  Display increasing interest in using oral language to share ideas, stories and song  Re-tells a favourite story
The child as a communicator - the communication of ideas, thoughts, emotions and feelings through mark making and writing	Holds pen or crayon using a whole hand (palmar) grasp  Labels random shapes as objects/people or ideas  Form recognisable shapes as representations of an object e.g. human figures will appear as a circular 'head' initially with no body/arms/legs and dots for eyes	Imitates drawing simple shapes such as circles and lines  Use marks which stand for letters (initially a mix of personal or random shapes developing into recognisable or shared letter/number symbols)  Demonstrate interest in recognising and writing their own name (letters may spread out over the page and be somewhat disconnected)	Distinguishes between the different marks that they  Makes random marks with different stroke



The thinking child - problem solving and planning skills, logical, critical and creative thinking	Pursue their own play interests with enthusiasm and concentration.  Respond to adult questions and share personal theories.	Demonstrates curiosity in, and wonder about events, situations and people  Observe and talk about relationships e.g. compare items and talk about cause and effect.  Displays understanding of cause and effect and predicts  Showing interests in problem solving situation and is keen to pursue the task to completion.	Uses play to explore, investigate and imagine  Attempt to take action around a problem, demonstrating one or more problem solving strategies (e.g trial and error, observation of others, seeking assistance from or asking questions of others, reflection on previous attempts, researching others strategies)
The thinking child - mathematical understandings (number and operations; geometry and spatial awareness; measurement; pattern/algebraic thinking; displaying and analysing data; money and time)	Shows curiosity about numbers by offering comments or asking questions  Group items together and forms a set e.g. setting the table with one cup, one bowl, one spoon	Understanding that one item has one number value (1:1 correspondence) i.e. learners may initially touch each object that they count (eventually they will learn to do this mentally)  Counts by rote (chanting the sequence of numbers by memory)  Bring together simple collections of items and demonstrate simple mental addition (may use fingers to support the counting process); understand 'more' and 'less;' is still developing understanding of how to find out how many 'more' or 'less'	Use simple mathematical language in daily life e.g. I have two pieces of apple; Can I please have some more? I have lots of trains  Recognise 2D shapes in the environment (may not as yet know the names of shapes) e.g. will identify a square window, or a rectangle window pane
The thinking child - scientific and technological understandings of the world	Display enjoyment when observing and investigating  Show interest in and ask questions about what interests them (nonverbally a question can be expressed by displaying wonder and or curiosity, or focused interest)	Show interest in and ask questions about what interests them (nonverbally a question can be expressed by displaying wonder and or curiosity, or focused interest)  Understand tools as a source of supporting exploration and discovery (magnifying glasses; torches; collection boxes, cameras)  Notice patterns in the natural world (e.g. the different shapes of clouds, or animal skin patterns; show interest in life cycles and seasonal patterns)  Experiment with ideas and materials (e.g. test water flow at the water play trough; explore opaque and transparent materials on the light table)	Display an awareness of technology within the environment (air conditioning, mobile phones, computers)  Explore similarities and differences (e.g. notice the 'same' leaves, or shells; begin to classify initially all the 'same' itemsand much later classify by 'different')  Use one or more senses to explore objects and materials in their environment (hands-on exploration)
<b>The physical child -</b> positive image of self	Display pride in their physical skills and ability  Engage confidently and successfully in self help tasks	Demonstrate awareness and appreciation of their own body, its care and safety 9e.g. Learning to balance relaxation and periods of high activity; discriminating risk and danger)	Displays confidence in using their bodies to express ideas, thoughts and feelings as well as to respond to physical challenges.
<b>The physical child -</b> gross motor control	Negotiates objects when moving in space.e.g. stop and start with fluency  Engages in aiming throwing and catching activities.  Participates in climbing and balancing experiences.	Identify and name the body parts and talk about what their body can do (I have two legs, I am balancing	Explore a wide range of large muscle movements e.g. walking, running, jumping (locomotor movements) with increasing control and coordination  Use their bodies for creative expression e.g. to express ideas, thoughts and feelings through dance and drama



	judge personal body space in relation to people and objects; weave their body in/out/around objects			
The physical child - fine motor control (including eye hand co-ordination and visual discrimination skills)	Explores an increasingly wider variety of grips in order to effectively handle objects.  Displays eye-hand coordination.  Use language to talk about manipulating objects (eg. I have to turn, I have to push). Explores an increasingly wider variety of grips in order to effectively handle objects.	Display flexibility and small muscle control over tools which support participation in daily living  Display flexibility and small muscle control over tools which support participation in learning experiences (drawing and painting tools, scissors and staplers)  Display eye hand coordination (e.g. thread beads onto a string, place small blocks on top of one another, use mosaic tiles with precision; pour liquid without spilling)	Displays increasing control and coordination over a variety of movements involving arms, hands and fingers.(e.g. pound, squeeze or roll dough; turn or press bathroom taps; twist or flip a water bottle top)  Demonstrates beginning manipulation of scissors (finger thumb opposition).	Displays increasing use of one preferred hand (left, or right). Children will use their non preferred hand to support tasks e.g. hold paper with the non preferred hand whilst cutting with a preferred hand (bimanual coordination)
The physical child - understandings about diet, nutrition and healthy lifestyles	Engage in adult's support in personal hygiene practices (washing hands, flushing toilet.)	Engage in active learning experiences in indoor and outdoor learning environment  Articulate simple understands about how their bodies function	Respond, with adult encouragement, to invitations to balance calm and vigorous play activity	
The physical child - understandings about personal safety	Participate in decision making process about matters that affects them (toileting, eating, routines.)  Engage in and talk about pre-school/school routines around infection control (e.g. washing hands)  Engage in school/preschool routines around fire safety			
The child as an agent of change - appreciation of and respect for the natural world (living and non living things)	Share observations and ideas about the natural world with others e.g. this leaf is really shiny; this plant needs water, it looks thirsty	Observes and shares interest in familiar natural phenomenon e.g. wind blowing leaves, rain falling  Demonstrates an interest in and asks questions about the natural environment  Experiments with objects and materials to explore the natural world e.g. uses a rock to crush colour out of a flower petal; digs for ants with a stick  Demonstrates care and respect for living things  Demonstrates an interest in and ask questions about natural environment (animals, plants, stones and shells)	Explores and investigates the environment with all senses	
The child as an agent of change - understanding about sustainability	Participate in recycling and waste minimisation processes  Remind others of sustainable practices e.g. ask a peer to turn off a tap; suggest adults turn off electricity when not in use	Is beginning to understand the need to care for the natural world such as placing rubbish in the bin, using recyclables (Recycle center)  Display understanding of conserving and preserving natural resources (water)	Participate in learning experiences which support environmental awareness e.g. gardening/composting; artwork with recycled materials  Recognise familiar signs/symbols related to e.g. the recycling arrows	



The child as an agent of change - understanding about social sustainability and global social justice	Demonstrate understanding of their own family and the roles/responsibilities they and others play within their family  Show interest in interacting with others within their immediate social environment	Demonstrate a sense of responsibility in relation to being a member of a group	Display curiosity in books, dolls, puzzles which depict 'difference' (of ability, gender, culture/ethnicity, language tradition and/or religion)  Respond to expressed emotion/feelings in others e.g. anger, distress, caring
Mandarin	能够与他人建立信任的关系以及相互依赖的关系。 Demonstrates the ability to form trusting relationships and attachments to others in the environment. 在共同的社交环境下能够与他人一同参与各种活动。 Cooperates with others in group situations. 有兴趣成为社交小组的一部分。 Show interest in being part of the social group. 展现对自我以及所具备能力的自信。 Display confidence about themselves and own abilities. 能够意识到自己的行动会对他人产生有影响。 Aware that some actions can hurt or harm others. 能够自信的作出决策。 Demonstrates confidence in making decisions.。 能够听取他人的建议。 Listens to others (adult and children) 能够识别不同的情绪/感受。 The ability to motivate and to realistically regulate one's own feelings and emotions	开始使用口语和非口语来交流。 Begins to use a combination of verbal and non-verbal language.  用玩的方式来探索,研究,和想象。 Uses play to explore, investigate and imagine  展现出对因果关系的理解以及预测结果的能力。 Displays understanding of cause and effect and predicts  对成人提出的问题作出适当的反馈. Respond to adult questions  有创意的使用想法及材料,表现出创造力与足智多谋的能力。 Display creativity and resourcefulness in the innovative use of ideas and materials.  在日常生活中能使用简单的数学语言,例如,我有两片苹果。 Uses simple mathematical language in daily life .  会使用基本形状名称。 Uses basic shape names	以真关注他人说话。 Attends to others when they speak.  单词串联组合成简单的句子。 Strings words together in a simple sentence.  认真地关注周围的声音。 Attends to sounds in the environment. 通过画画,舞蹈,假象游戏,玩偶,表演来讲述故事。 Uses drawing, dancing, pretend play, puppets or drama to tell a story.  能够通过使用各种物品自行参与假想游戏。 Uses available resources to create props to support play 能够展现出对图书的兴趣,并能够重复归还/寻找喜欢的图书。 Displays interest in and returns to look for favourite book