



My GCE Journey Journal

A guide for teachers using the personal online interactive journal exploring Global Citizenship Education for students

What is the purpose of the Journal?



This online interactive journal is a space for students to learn about global issues and to think critically about their role in the world.



Students will need a copybook or can use a word document on their computer.



There will be a number of engagement methods used to facilitate learning. Click on to the next slides to learn why and how.



We follow a policy of "explore, think and learn". The objective is critical thinking, as opposed to assuming there are right or wrong answers.



What is included in the journal?

This monthly journal will include information on:

- Global Citizenship Education
- The Sustainable Development Goals
- Guidance on how to be an active citizen and incorporate active citizenship into all aspects of your school life, home life and community.

Every month there will be a different focus and prompts for you to consider and activities to do in school and at home.

It is a personal journal for you to monitor your journey to deeper awareness and care for the world around you, both at a local and global level.



What to expect:

In this Journal there will be information and a number of prompts. The activities are there as a guide to think more critically about something you have just read or watched. The activities will be as follows:

- **By myself:** This indicates an activity for students to do on their own. They may have to write down their thoughts or investigate something further.
- **At home:** This means they should discuss an issue or come up with an action at home.
- **With my class:** This will be facilitated through teachers with guidance from us. It will usually involve an activity.
- **Think about in my community:** This means the student needs to think about a certain SDG or theme and how it relates to their community.
- **Globally:** How does this relate in a global sense?

There will be examples to aid the student along the way!

Remember! There are no right or wrong answers, it's all about thinking more critically about the world around us.



What is Development Education?

Development Education:

- Is about teaching and learning through a global justice lens.
- Allows schools to explore the knowledge, skills, attitudes and values necessary to become global citizens.
- Facilitates schools to take action for a more just and sustainable world.

What is Global Citizenship Education?

Global Citizenship Education (GCE) is a powerful vehicle through which we can better understand the world we live in and take action to change it as informed global citizens. It equips both educators and learners with the knowledge, skills and values to act ethically and sustainably in a world that is both complex and highly interconnected.



What issues are addressed by Global Citizenship Education?

- Promoting the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Global Justice
- Highlighting the interdependence of the global north and the global south
- Critically reflecting on global social justice issues
- Global solidarity
- Change-making
- Advocacy and awareness raising



Active Citizenship

Active citizenship is quite simply doing anything to express values or to achieve something for the common good.



Thank you for your participation!

Next month we will be focusing on:

- SDG 12: Sustainable consumption and production and
- SDG 13: Climate action

