

Student Learning Log



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Step-Up 2018-2020 Castletroy College

How sustainable is your smart phone???

in vears of smartphone sales

7.7 billion smartphones were produced globally

968 terawatts hours of electricity was used to make all these smartphones, enough energy to power Ireland

for 39 years





there are only **2.53 billion** global smartphone users yet there are **7.4 billion people** in the world

did you know

that every smartphone contains up to €1 worth of gold yet only <u>.....</u>

20% of global electronic waste is recycled researchers estimate that....

there are more than **£40 billion's** worth of recoverable materials in unwanted electronic devices lying idle in UK homes alone

when manufacturing

smartphone



- 0.25 gigajoule of energy is consumed
- 13 tonnes of water is consumed
- 16kg of CO2 is emitted*

* larger screens tend to have a larger carbon footprint

On average a smartphone is replaced every **21 months**, <u>so</u> you might own as many as

41 smartphones during your lifetime

Now imagine if

some of the raw materials needed to make smartphones were no longer available

we could run out of.....



QUESTION: Is our current design, manufacture, use and disposal of smart phone sustainable??



Dear student,

Over the next four weeks all 2nd year students will experience and participate in a cross curricular unit of work called 'emining' which has been designed by a group of your teachers over the past few months. Some information about the project is given here, but if you have any other questions then please do ask any of the teachers involved in the delivery.

What subject areas are involved?

Emining will be delivered across the subject areas of Science, CSPE, Geography, Business and Metalwork.

What's the 'big idea' behind this project

Our stuff is made of stuff. Our appetite to have new stuff appears to be unbounded. Billions of people around the world aspire to our standards of living and consumption. We never think about where the materials for our stuff come from and whether or not they will always be available to us in the future.

So, where do our materials come from? How are they mined/extracted? Why do we use the specific materials that we do? Where does our stuff end up?

During this programme of study, you will study the origin, properties, design and use of various metals. You will study the environmental, social and economic consequences of current global as well as individual practices in terms of origin, manufacture, design, use and disposal of materials.

The way we currently use materials is very wasteful and has complex environmental, social and economic consequence both for now and for the future.

We need to move from this 'take-make-dispose' linear economy to a circular economy where products, their components and materials are used more efficiently and multiple times. How do we do this? What is involved? What actions can be taken? Is there any action you could take?

What is the purpose of delivering a unit across many subject areas.

The purpose of planning and designing lessons across different subject areas and delivering them at the same time is to give you, our students, a deeper understanding of particular topics and concepts by allowing you to make deeper connections between learning in various subject areas.

What type of learning experiences should you expect?

All learning in this unit of work has been linked closely to Junior Cycle learning outcomes and the lessons have been designed to maximise your participation and engagement. As well as gaining a deeper understanding of the subject area, we hope that you will get many opportunities to develop a wide range of key skills and competencies as you learn through a variety of innovative learning experiences both individually as well as in groups such as discussions, research, videos and guest speakers, designing, planning, problem solving and marketing and taking action.

How will we gather evidence of your learning?

There is a variety of methods of assessment built into this unit of work and you can showcase your learning and understanding in various way such as by participation in group and class discussion, successful completion of class and homework activity sheets, answering questions in class, presentation of your research project, written report on class investigations which fulfilling specific success criteria, planning and problem solving and even through a table quiz!

What is the purpose of this learning log?

This learning log is a personalised record of your own learning. It is like a diary where you can record your reflections on your learning experiences.

The **Learning Log** is a technique to help you focus on what you are **learning** in your classes by writing your thoughts, reactions, and responses to class activities, videos, speakers, discussions.

In a learning log, you are asked either to take what you have been learning in class and reflect on it or relate something out of class to what you have been learning in class. When you make personal **connections** with the subject matter, it has been proven that more meaningful learning will occur for you.

What is expected of you?

There is an opportunity for you to log where you are at with your learning at the start <u>and</u> end of each week so you can monitor the progress you have made during the week and identify your areas of strength and your areas for further improvement.

You must make use of this learning log and ensure that it is filled in completely by the end of each week. There are prompts on page 34 to help you with your reflective writing. There is also a table on page 37 where you can log all new words and concepts that you may encounter during this time.

In conclusion

We hope that you enjoy this learning experience and we look forward to working together on emining for the next 4 weeks. We welcome any feedback that you may have that will assist us in making improvements moving forward.

Many thanks, The Emining team.

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Week 1:	Have some idea:	
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I can:	Start of week	End of week				
Science						
Define the term elements, mixtures and compounds.						
Identify from the periodic table metals and non-metals and list their properties.						
Make generalizations about the properties that differentiate metals from non-metals.						
Explain how the elements used in mobile phones has changed over the past decade						
Work in a group to plan, design and carry out an investigation to determine if a						
material is a conductor of heat and electricity						
I can use a multi meter to measure resistance.						
Define the term critical raw material and give 3 examples of critical raw materials						
CSPE		_				
Understand the term ecological footprint.						
Calculate my ecological footprints.						
Use images and texts to show my ecological footprint.						
Investigate ways that I can lesson my ecological footprint						
Create a definition of sustainable development						
Become aware of the UN Sustainable Development Goals						
BUSINESS	1	r				
Explain the term "economic resources"						
Identify and explain each of the factors of production						
Distinguish between needs and wants						
Explain the term scarcity.						
Describe how a business uses each of the factors of production to create goods, services and wealth						
Explain how scarcity, choice and opportunity cost impact on the production of goods and services						
List the rewards associated with each of the factors of production						

Week 1: Invited Guest Speaker: iCRAIG

Topic: Mining (Navan v's Africa)

Comments:

Overall reflection on learning.

WWW (What Went Well)- mention two things

because....

I really enjoyed

EBI (Even Better If)

Week 1: Science

This week's topic: _____

Reflect on key words, facts and	My reflection:	Q
ideas from this week's lesson	 Comments, questions and thoughts 	T
A skill I used was	What helped me to learn was	



Week 1: CSPE

Topic___

Week 1: Lesson 1 Compile a visual representation of your ecological footprint.



Week 1 Lesson 2

Looking at your ecological footprint - complete the following statement.

What surprised me was

Week 1: Business Topic: The most important thing I	The most interesting part was:
learned is	
What help me understand	
what help me understand was	For this week's work I would give myself the following comment



End of week reflection

Do a CNQ on one learning experience for example a invited speaker, a classroom learning experience, an activity etc. (C - Connections N- what was new Q- Questions)

Connections (C) you made to prior knowledge or to your learning in subject areas.

What was NEW (N)?

QUESTION(S) (Q) you may have...

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I can:	Start of week	End of week				
Science						
Define the term critical raw material.						
Identify three Critical raw materials and explain their origin and method of extraction.						
Carry out research on smart phone elements and present it to my class in a clear and						
effective way.						
Describe how CRMs are extracted.						
Recognise the energy demands of the extraction process.						
CSPE						
Create a definition of sustainable development						
Become aware of the UN Sustainable Development Goals						
Identify how SDG12 can be connected to critical raw materials.						
Analyse a global issue - unsustainable consumption and production of critical raw						
materials						
Identify 2 or more causes of unsustainable consumption.						
Interpret data collected during house survey.						
Geogrpahy						
I can explain how the features of land can influence where settlements occur						
I can explain how access to resources can influence where settlement occurs.						
Business						
I can distinguish between economic systems, for example free market, mixed economy						
and centrally planned.						
I can explain different sectors of society, for example public, private and third.						
The sector of economy that waste-recycling companies work in and identify spin off		$\Box\Box$				
companies created by recycling products.						
Understanding conscious and sustainable consumption.						
I know the difference between an open and closed economy.						
I can explain the importance of imports and exports for a country.						
Engineering						
Understand the key stages of the engineering design process						
Explain how design impacts on the function and quality of a product						

Week 2: Invited Guest Speaker: Dell computer

Topic: Computer carbon foot printing.

Comments:

Overall reflection on learning.

WWW (What Went Well)- mention two things.

I really enjoyed.....

because....

EBI (Even Better If)

Week 2: Science

Topics:_____

The most important thing I learned is	What helped me to learn was
A key skill I used/developed was:	I could have learned better if

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Week 2: CSPE

This week you learnt about how the unsustainable consumption and production of critical raw materials is a global issue.



Week 2: Geography

This week's topic: _____

Reflect on key words, facts and ideas from this week's lesson	My reflection:	
	 Comments, questions and thoughts 	T
A skill I used was	 What helped me to learn was	



Week 2: Business

Topic_____

3 things I learned	
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2 things I found interesting	
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l question I am left with	
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The activity I liked best was, because



Week 2: Metal work Topic: The most important think I learned is	The most interesting part was:
What help me understand was	For this week's work I would give myself the following comment



End of week 2 reflection:

Do a CNQ on <u>one</u> learning experience for example an invited speaker, a workshop, a learning activity, a project etc. (C - Connections, N- what was New, Q- Questions)

Connections you made to prior knowledge or to your learning in subject areas.

What was new?

Questions you may have...

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I can:	Start of week	End of week
Science		
Explain the social and environmental impact of mining.		
Calculate the energy used while charging my mobile phone.		
Identify what my phone needs to interact with in order to function.		
Working in groups, analyse data from a survey and identify patterns and trends in current mobile phone use.		
Present survey data in an appropriate format – table, chart, graph.		
Explain the difference between a circular and a linear economy.		
CSPE		
Identify the consequences of electronic waste		
Discover how electronic waste has an impact on the lives of people in Ghana and China.		
Compare and analyse information		
Identify possible solutions to the challenge of unsustainable consumption		
of CRM e.g. circular economy and recycling events		
Geogrpahy		
Identify three uses of cobalt in everyday life.		
Compare how resources are extracted in developed v's 3 rd world country.		
Identify a country as developing or developed based on how they extract		
resources from the earth (primary economic activities)		
Understand how poorer countries can be exploited by wealthier countries.		
Business		
Explain how an economy works		
Identify the factors of production.		
Understand the different types of Government Revenue and Expenditure		
Demonstrate how companies are affected by Supply/Demand and		
different economic systems.		
Know how price and other factors will affect demand and supply		
Metal work		
Evaluate the factors that influence their own design and that of others		
Apply their knowledge of the property's materials associated with a range of engineering		
Understand the properties associated with a range of engineered materials		

Week 3 : Invited Guest Speaker: ERP- European Recycling Platform Topic: WEEE and Marketing

Comments:

Overall reflection on learning.

WWW (What Went Well)- mention two things.

I really enjoyed.....

because....

EBI (Even Better If)

Week 3: Science

Topic_____

3 things I learned
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2 things I found interesting
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1 question I am left with
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The activity I liked best was, because



Week 3: Geography Topic: The most important think I learned is	The most interesting part was:
What help me understand was	For this week's work I would give myself the following comment



Week 3: CSPE

Lesson 1: Diary Entry

Imagine you live in either Ghana or China. Describe your typical day as you work extracting critical raw materials.

Week 3 Lesson 2 3R's REDUCE REUSE RECYCLE

Using your household survey and the knowledge you learned from creating a representation of your ecological footprint identify if the 3Rs could be applied in your home Take 4 items and fill in the table

Item/ activity	Reduce	Reuse	Recycle

Week 3: Business

Topics:

The most important thing I learned is	What helped me to learn was
A skill I used was	I could have learned better if



Week 3: Metalwork

This week's topic: _____

Problems and questions	solutions and answers	
A skill I used was	What helped me to learn	Was



End of week 3 reflection: Do a CNQ on one learning experience for example a invited speaker, a workshop etc. (C - Connections N- what was new Q- Questions)

Connections you made to prior knowledge or to your learning in subject areas.

What was new?

Questions you may have...

Week 4:

Have some idea: 🛛 🗖 🗔 Work in progress

There:

I can:	Start of week	End of week
Science		
Appreciate the scale and impact of electronic waste and the danger of human toxicity.		
Analyse survey data and identify trends and patterns in our recycling rates.		
Identify and list of advantages and disadvantages of our current system for dealing		
end of life products.		
Distinguish between a linear and circular economy.		
Analyse sources of information for credibility and bias.		
Propose two questions on digital dumping for a Q& A session with our guest speaker.		
CSPE	1	T
Evaluate how I can contribute to reducing the unsustainable consumption and		
production of critical raw materials		
Help organise a WEEE collection event.		
Identify waste materials in my environment that I can contribute to the waste		
recycling event.		
Work as part of a team to organise a waste collection event		
Employ our organisational and creativity skills to achieve our tasks.		
Work efficiently and utilise our time management skills.		
Begin to identify possible topics for CSPE CBA		
Business	-	-
Identify factors that affect demand and supply.		
Value, apply and cost a business plan.		
Identify what are the main source of materials in Ireland and other countries		
Explain the different type of production that occurs in certain countries and why?		
Justify the importance of sustainability when creating business plans.		
Identify three current environmental issues and regulations.		
Discuss Ethical business behaviours - choices that are ethically correct (CSR)		
Identify Safety regulations in the workplace		
Understand the word marketing and construct a marketing plan.		
Communicate with necessary stakeholders to inform on an upcoming event		
Understand the importance of internal and external stakeholders in an organisation		
Explain the effect that marketing has on an event		
Metal work	1	T
Evaluate the factors that influence their own design and that of others		
Apply their knowledge of the properties associated with a range of engineering materials		
Understand the properties associated with a range of engineered materials		
Understand the properties associated with a range of engineered materials		

Week 4: Invited Guest Speaker: Peadar King RTE Topic: Digital dumping in Ghana

Two questions that I could ask during the Q&A session:

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2)

Overall reflection on learning.

WWW (What Went Well)- mention two things.

I really enjoyed

because....

Topic: The most important think I learned is	The most interesting part was:
What help me understand was	For this week's work I would give myself the following comment



Week 4: CSPE

Reflect on your ACTIONS during ALL of your Classes over the past two or three weeks. Fill in the actions into the shapes below.



In CSPE you are required to undertake an action and discuss it for your Classroom Based Assessment. Pick 3 actions that could form part of your CBA from the list above

Questions to focus your thinking.	Yes	Maybe	NO
Would you enjoy researching the action further?			
Would you be able to explain how you carried out your action?			
Did you play an active role in your action?			
What extra supports would you need to help with your CBA? E.g. time to practice, the internet etc			

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Questions to focus your thinking.	Yes	Maybe	NO
Would you enjoy researching the action further?			
Would you be able to explain how you carried out your action?			
Did you play an active role in your action?			
What extra supports would you need to help with your CBA? E.g. time to practice, the internet etc			1

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Questions to focus your thinking.	Yes	Maybe	NO
Would you enjoy researching the action further?			
Would you be able to explain how you carried out your action?			
Did you play an active role in your action?			
What extra supports would you need to help with your CBA? E.g. time to practice, the internet etc			

Week 4: Business

This week's topic: _____

Reflect on key words, facts and	 My reflection:	
ideas from this week's lesson	 Comments, questions and thoughts 	T
A skill I used was	What helped me to learn was	



Week 4: Engineering

Topic_____

3 things I learned	
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? things I found interesting	
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question I am left with	
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The activity I liked best was, because



End of week 4 reflection: Do a CNQ on one learning experience for example an invited speaker, a workshop, a video you watched etc. (C - Connections N- what was new Q-Questions)

Connections you made to prior knowledge or to your learning in subject areas.

What was new?

Questions you may have...

Impact of the 4 week block



Final overall Reflection

- You can decide on the format of your final individual reflection. There are sentence starters and ideas on page 33 of this booklet to assist you.
- In this reflection, it would be important to not only focus on what you learned but more importantly on how you learned and how your opinions or perceptions changed over the 4-week block.
- You could also reflect on the key skills that may have been developed using the image on page 32 for guidance. How and when were these key skills developed?

Appendix 1: Junior Cycle Key Skills



Appendix 2: Prompts to help you to reflect on your learning.

Some sentence starters	When thinking about how you learn:
• The most important thing I learned was	I know that I need to change the way I
• The way I learned was	I really admire how
• What I found difficult was	I need to go back over
• What I enjoyed most was	I learn best when
• What I need more help with is	I need to ask for more help about
• What still puzzles me is	What I learned today reminds me about
• What surprised me was	I need to think more deeply about
• What I found difficult was	When I read over my reflective journal I am sure
• What I enjoyed most was	at how my thinking has changed because
• What I need more help with is	I the future I know I will have to
What still puzzles me is	When I listened to the discussion in my groups it became to clear to me that
What surprised me was	I like to consider others points of view because
• What I learned that is new is	I found the feedback helpful because
 What helped me when something got tricky was 	
• What really made me think was	
• I might have learned better if	Can you think of some sentence starters of your own??
 If I did this project again, I would change 	
• When I heard the speaker I felt	
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Key Word	It's meaning written in my own words.	Image or example

Appendix 5: New terms and key words

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Notes, Comments, diagrams......
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