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Your expertise matters

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**Teaching with the Science and Technology K-6 Syllabus**

Participant journal

**e-learning course**

**Task 1**

# Time allocation for science and technology

Write your answers to the following questions in the fields below.

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| Review your weekly timetable and note the total amount of time allocated to teaching science and technology: |
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| Does this meet the requirement (1.5-2.5 hours per week)? |
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| If so, how has this been achieved? Which strategies have proven successful? |
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| If not, what will you do to meet this requirement? |
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**Task 2**

# Document review – syllabus rationale

Use the fields below to identify key ideas and write notes:

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| When you return to the eLearning course, compare your ideas to those of other teachers who have completed this course. Are there any ideas that match? |
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# Continuum of skills reflection

**Task 3**

Read your syllabus pages 29-34 and reflect on the development of skills that are presented in the continuums. Answer the following questions in the fields provided.

**Terminology**

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| What terminology will you need to unpack with your students to support their learning? |
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**Key skills**

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| Which key skills will you need to unpack with your students? |
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**Pedagogical practices**

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| What pedagogical practices will you employ to ensure development of these skills? |
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**Discuss**

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| When you return to the e-learning course, compare your ideas to those of other teachers who have completed this course. Are there any ideas that match? |
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# Inquiry learning in science and technology

**Task 4**

Answer the following questions in the fields provided.

**Exploring inquiry learning**

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| What is inquiry learning? |
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| How does inquiry learning differ from project-based or problem-based learning? |
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**Inquiry reading key points**

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| Consider the key points from the readings in light of your current teaching context and cohort of students. Record a new idea gained from these readings that could be actioned to improve learning and teaching in science and technology. |
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| When you return to the eLearning course, compare your thoughts with those of other teachers who have completed this course. Are there any other new ideas that you could use? |
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# Implications for learning and teaching

**Task 5**

Answer the following questions in the fields provided.

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| Why is it important to understand the syllabus rationale? |
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| In supporting student learning, why is it important to understand the structure of the syllabus? |
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| How does inquiry and the skills of working scientifically improve learning in science and technology? |
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**What are 3 things you will do as a result of participating in this e-learning course to improve the implementation of science and technology in your classroom/school/context?**

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