

5 Practical ideas to inspire global thinkers



Finding quality content that keeps learners engaged AND ensuring it meets the requirements of the PYP can be a challenge. This is where we can support you.

You may have already heard about our [PYP Readers and Companions](#) and the [Primary Inquirer series](#) – designed specifically for inquiry classrooms and linked to the PYP themes, but do you know about our other school resources that are perfect for use in inquiry classrooms?

We've come up with 5 practical ideas (with links to resources you might like) that are sure to inspire your global thinkers. We hope you find them useful.

1 Use multimedia to generate creative ideas

We know that for teachers all around the world, the main struggle is finding the time to design creative ideas for every learner. For PYP learners in particular, resources that support inquiry and provide connected and open-ended content create rich learning and thinking environments.

You might like: [Interactive Science](#) contains hands-on and virtual labs to stretch scientific thinking. [Untamed Science](#) videos and virtual labs help students to think like a scientist. Learners pose and solve problems together, and use technology to share learning beyond the classroom.

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2 Ask questions to build big ideas

Asking questions about real-life problems builds enduring understanding. Get students to ask the tough, searching questions and set the task of finding out answers with supporting evidence from multiple sources.

You might like: [Essential Questions](#) in [MyWorld Social Studies](#) help students seek the best answer over time – not just the right answer. Every lesson helps build real-world perspectives whilst supporting inquiry.



3 Explain how and why things happen

Playing games provides authentic opportunities to make connections between cause and effect. Show students how to investigate and explain by organizing information and linking causation and function.

You might like: [Write to Explain](#) in [Investigations in Number, Data, and Space](#) helps students organize effective strategies and patterns of data through visual representations, explanations and symbols.

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IN NUMBER, DATA, AND SPACE



4 Be collaborative and active

Build a collaborative classroom and allow students to develop their investigative and communication skills.

You might like: [Math Projects](#) and [Performance Tasks](#) in [EnVisionMATH](#) help students show what they know and understand in multiple ways.

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5 Develop thinking skills

Teaching thinking skills helps students to find relationships between ideas. Seeing videos, reading, talking and thinking supports students to organize their ideas and makes thinking visible.

You might like: [Reading Street EnVision IT!](#) animations teach students comprehension skills and strategies for making meaning of literary and informational text.



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