21ST CENTURY LEANOVATIVE SKILLS

WORKBOOK

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Project Based Learning

Experiential Learning

Problem Based Learning

Activity Based Learning

Lean Hyphen

INTRODUCTION TO LEAN HYPHEN'S 21ST CENTURY SKILLS LEANOVATIVE WORKBOOK

Lean Hyphen is a future-focused organisation committed to equipping learners with the essential 21st-century competencies required to excel in an ever-evolving world. Understanding that academic achievement alone is no longer sufficient, our 21st Century Skills Program is thoughtfully designed to nurture key skills from Class UKG to Class 10.

Through dynamic, activity-driven workbooks, students develop Critical Thinking, Problem-Solving, Creativity, Communication, Collaboration, Financial Literacy, Career Exploration, Adaptability, Emotional Intelligence, and Global Citizenship. Our innovative methodology seamlessly integrates Problem-Based Learning, Project-Based Learning, and Experiential Learning to foster deep understanding and practical application.

By engaging in real-world activities, students cultivate resilience, initiative, and leadership—empowering them not only to succeed academically but also to thrive professionally and personally. Lean Hyphen's mission is to inspire confident, future-ready individuals, prepared to navigate challenges and seize opportunities in a rapidly transforming global landscape.

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FIFTH GRADE:
CULTIVATING 21ST - CENTURY INNOVATORS

Core Competencies Covered

- Communication and Expression
- Critical Thinking and Problem-Solving
- Curiosity and Inquiry-Based Learning
- Self-Awareness and Emotional Intelligence
- Financial Literacy and Responsible Decision-Making
- Leadership and Collaboration
- Organization and Time Management
- Social Responsibility
- Healthy Living and Wellness Awareness
- Goal Setting and Future Readiness
- Cultural Awareness and Global Citizenship
- Accountability and Reliability
- Creativity and Innovation
- Respect for Diversity and Inclusivity

How to use this workbook

- Teachers introduce concepts and guide students through hands-on worksheets for real-world skill practice.
- Activities build independent thinking, collaboration, and critical analysis.
- Topics increase in complexity across grades to deepen reflection and resilience.
- Workbooks can be used in class or at home to encourage meaningful skill-building conversations.
- The goal is to help students internalize essential life skills and make informed, growth-driven choices.

LEADERSHIP LINK: BUILDING BRIDGES OF INFLUENCE

WHAT IS LEADERSHIP?

Leadership means guiding a group to achieve a goal, like completing a project, winning a game, or solving a problem. A leader helps others stay focused and is helpful, positive, and patient.

QUALITIES OF A GOOD LEADER

Good leaders are kind, honest, and responsible. They also listen, and make everyone feel heard.

HOW TO BE A GOOD LEADER?

Start by helping others whenever you can. Practice honesty in your words and actions, and listen when others speak. Be calm and positive even when things get tough. Lastly, lead by example—when others see you being kind, fair, and hardworking, they are likely to follow your lead.

KRITI'S PEACEFUL PATH - LESSONS FROM GANDHI

Kriti, a ten-year-old girl, admired Mahatma Gandhi's courage and commitment to truth and non-violence. She learned how Gandhi led India to freedom without using force, inspiring her to embrace those values.

One day, her teacher, Mrs. Desai, asked Kriti to assist with the upcoming school play. Kriti was excited but soon faced a challenge when arguments broke out during rehearsals. Ryan and Diya both wanted the same part. Additionally, others disagreed about the play's theme. Kriti was unsure how to calm everyone down.

"This isn't fair!" Ryan shouted, crossing his arms. "I practiced hard for this role!"

"But I practiced too!" Diya replied, looking upset. "Why should I have to step down?"

Kriti felt a wave of nervousness wash over her. Just then, she remembered something Mrs. Desai had shared about Gandhi: "In a gentle way, you can shake the world." Gandhi had faced big challenges without getting angry.

Taking a deep breath, she said "Alright, everyone, I think we should listen to each other. If we all share our thoughts, I'm sure we'll find a way to make this play work."

She looked at Ryan and Diya. "Since both of you want this role, let's take a vote to make a fair decision together."

Diya and Ryan nodded in agreement. After voting, the class agreed on roles and the theme in a way that everyone was happy with.

Kriti's nervousness was replaced with a warm glow of pride. As rehearsals continued, Kriti became a trusted helper to Mrs. Desai and her classmates. She used Gandhi's teachings of patience and fairness to assist in other small ways. When classmates had trouble understanding their lines, Kriti took the time to practice with them. If someone felt nervous about performing, she reminded them, "Remember, we're all in this together!"

The play went well, with every student performing their role with joy and teamwork. From that day on, Kriti learned that kindness, patience, and fairness were the true qualities of a leader.

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. What challenges did Kriti face as Mrs. Desai's assistant?

Think about the disagreements among her classmates and how she felt at first.

2. How did Gandhi's lessons help Kriti solve the problems in class?

Remember how she used patience, fairness, and kindness to bring her friends together.

3. What qualities made Kriti a good leader?

Reflect on how she listened, encouraged, and treated everyone with respect.

4. How can you use Gandhi's lessons in your own life?

Think of ways to be patient and fair, and how listening can help solve problems.

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Curiosity & Inquiry: Fuels lifelong learning and problem-solving.

Creative Thinking: Encourages innovation and adaptability.

Self-Awareness: Builds emotional intelligence for better decisions.

Financial Literacy: Supports responsible money management.

Future Competencies: Prepares for a changing world.

Problem Solving: Enhances critical thinking and resourcefulness.

Emotional Skills: Promotes well-being and social connections.

Communication: Boosts clarity, confidence, and collaboration.

Decision Making: Cultivates responsibility and judgment.

Leadership: Builds confidence and teamwork.

Critical Thinking: Sharpens reasoning and decision-making.

Teamwork: Fosters cooperation and social skills.

Empathy & Compassion: Strengthens kindness and bonds.

Social Responsibility: Instills civic duty.

Adaptability: Equips students to handle change.

Health & Wellness: Supports mental and physical balance.

Respect for Diversity: Promotes inclusivity.

Time Management: Enhances productivity.

Digital Literacy: Enables safe, effective tech use.

Integrity: Encourages trust and ethics.

Entrepreneurial Skills: Fosters creativity, initiative, and problem-solving for success in a dynamic world.