

Theory of Knowledge IBDP

11th Grade IB [2 periods per week]

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Course Description

The Theory of Knowledge course provides students with an opportunity to explore and reflect on the nature of knowledge and the process of knowing. In Theory of Knowledge students reflect on the knowledge, beliefs, and opinions that they have built up from their years of academic studies and their lives outside the classroom. The course is intended to be challenging, thought-provoking, and empowering.

Grade 11 Theory of Knowledge is the first year of a two-year course. In the first year, students will study the core theme: knowledge and the knower. Setting the foundation for the entire course, in the knowledge and the knower unit students will examine their relationship with knowledge, truth, reality, and perspectives. Students will also analyze problems with knowledge and understanding wisdom. Subsequent units include the themes of knowledge and language and knowledge and politics. Grade 11 Theory of Knowledge will culminate in the creation of an exhibition, which is an internal assessment for the IB Diploma Programme.

Timeline

Unit 1: Setting the Foundations of Theory of Knowledge, 5 weeks

Unit 2: The Core Theme - Knowledge and the Knower, 8 weeks

Unit 3: Optional Theme 1 - Knowledge and Language, 8 weeks

Unit 4: Optional Theme 2 - Knowledge and Politics, 8 weeks

Unit 5: Theory of Knowledge IA Exhibition, 5 weeks