



CONNECTING SEAS Romania 29th October 2019

Lesson Plan Nº1

Topic: Diversity of the Portuguese Sea Life

Responsible Staff: the Portuguese Team

Target audience: a class of secondary grade; teachers of the project

Lesson Objectives:

- Get to know the constitution of the Portuguese territory, mainly concerning the area that the sea occupies in the whole territory;
- Get to know the Portuguese maritime boundaries according to the Law of the Seas; the EEZ;
- Understand how the characteristics of the Portuguese continental shelf and the phenomenon of upwelling contribute to its high biodiversity;
- Get to know "The Action Plan for a Maritime Strategy in the Atlantic Area";
- Get to know some of the Biodiversity in national waters: fishery and marine resources as well as resources from the ocean bottom;
- Get to know the importance of sardines in the economy of the sea in Portugal;
- Get to know and understand the influence of the sea in the Portuguese culture, literature, gastronomy and art;
- Use and value new technologies in the deepening of scientific and cultural knowledge.

Lesson Structure:

Time	Introduction of Topic	Teaching Approaches
45-50	"Portugal is Sea"	
minutes	A – Constitution of the national territory; description of the Portuguese maritime boundary (the continental shelf, the upwelling, Exclusive Economic Zone - EEZ, The Law on the	PPT
	Seas and The Action Plan for a Maritime Strategy in the Atlantic Area).	Videos
	B – Biodiversity in national waters: fishery and marine resources as well as resources from the ocean bottom.	Interaction teacher/ students
	Study case: The sardine	

Time	Main Contents	Teaching Approaches
	Scientific area:	
	A: - Constitution of the Portuguese territory; description of the Portuguese maritime boundary; United Nations Convention on The Law of the Sea (UNCLOS);	
	- The Portuguese continental shelf; the Exclusive Economic Zone - EEZ; The Portuguese Task Group for the Extension of the Continental Shelf (EMEPC) and The Action Plan for a Maritime Strategy in the Atlantic Area)	
	B: - Biodiversity in national waters: fishery and marine resources as well as resources from the ocean bottom (The Portuguese Task Group for the Extension of the Continental Shelf;	SG1 – Content workpaper
	- The upwelling; the Azores anticyclone; the "nortada" (north coastal winds in summer and the sea currents;	
	- Portuguese living marine resources; the sardine.	
	- The "Plan for a Maritime Strategy in the Atlantic Area".	
	Cultural heritage:	
	C: The Ocean in Portuguese Literature	
	- "The Lusiads" the Portuguese National Epic by Luís de Camões; and the "Message" by Fernando Pessoa. SG2	(SG) Students' Work Guidelines
	D: The Ocean in Portuguese Folk culture and traditions	Practical activities,
	- The sardines in the Portuguese culture. SG3	information research

Time	Practical activities	Teaching Approaches
50 minutes	 constitution of 3 working groups of 5 students each; each group will work on one of the 3 work guidelines; research and collection of information; 	Guidelines for the students' activities
	- research and collection of information,	Clarification of questions
	SG1 – Content workpaper (scientific area)	
	Ocean Governance: Who Owns the Ocean?	
	The rights/competences and obligations of a coastal state	
	over its maritime territory; identification of the maritime zones	
	and their limits; Continental Shelf; the Upwelling.	

Conclusion: sharing and discussion of results with the group class

In the **final 20 minutes** the 3 groups will energize the lesson through the sharing and discussion of results with the group class.

Resources: computers, overhead projector, speakers.

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