

Lesson Plan 05

Learning from photographs

Age group: Years 2 – 8

Aims:

- a) To teach children how to look carefully at a photograph and discover something about the scene.
- b) To provide material to help children form a picture of everyday life in Bo, so learning about the environment, way of life, dress, education, play, work, food, celebrations, beliefs, etc.
- c) To raise awareness of the similarities and differences between the European and African culture in the two areas – Bo and Warwick Districts.

Resources: *General* Photograph #4 from 'A Day in the Life of Kattamu' (Lesson Plan 04) is used in this plan for learning the basic skills

Other photographs are available from OWL either

- as laminated A4 pictures, or
- on CD : 'images', or
- (in the future) from the OWL website www.oneworldlink.org.uk

Data projector (if possible)

Sheet: 'Questioning the photo'

Teacher Guidelines:

- a) Class activity to demonstrate how to look at the photograph carefully (Picture #4 above)

Give some help by question: What can you see in the picture – people – what are they doing? Where are they? How do you feel about the picture? etc. Questions on the sheet can be used and extended.

Younger children may find it easier to be asked: 'What questions would you like to ask about the picture?'

- b) Give children other photographs – possibly 5 sets throughout the class depicting people, homes, wells, crops, roads, market, children, schools, churches, mosques. Older children can use the sheet – 'Questioning the photo'

Younger children can use an A4 picture in the middle of a large piece of blank paper and ask the children to write down their own questions to share with the class. (Adult help may be needed here)



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Questioning the photo

First impressions?

What do you see
in the picture?

What surprises you?

What puzzles you?

What are the
buildings made of?

or

What materials
are used to make
the things you can
see?



What do people
wear?

Why?

What is happening
here?

What is the weather
like here?

What is each person doing?

Why do you think this?

NOTES:

People:

Group of people having a meal, preparing and eating food outside.

Some smoke in the background - maybe cooking.

Children being fed.

Food containers made of metal and enamel. Plastic cups and bowls.

Metal bucket probably galvanized zinc in the centre of the compound.

People dressed in light clothes - what does it say about temperature?

Surroundings:

Earth floor - some woven mats - clean. Buildings with corrugated iron roofs and plastered walls - probably local brick plastered and painted.

Door on the right - maybe a latrine (toilet)

Clothes line - type of clothes? Mostly cotton?

Banana trees behind the building - where do such plants grow? (very hot climates)

Questioning the photo.

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The buildings
Made of?**

**What
are people
Wearing? Why?**



**What materials
Are used?**

**What is happening here?
What is each person doing?**

**What is the weather like here?
Why do you think this?**

Key Questions

(Kattamu #4)

Where is this place?

In a town, a village, at a home

What are my first impressions? What do I feel about this place?

What does it look like?

Inside? Outside? One building? Several buildings? Clothes drying?

What are the main features?

What is happening here now?

Who lives here? Why do they live here?

What is the weather like? How can you tell? Is it always like this?

What are the buildings like? What are they made of - roof, walls, doors?

What do the people wear? Why?

What services are available here?

Water taps? Piped water? Electricity? Can you tell?

What do you see changing? How will it be different in a little while? Why?

Where might the people go?)