Bag tags

Students will design and 3D print a personal bag tag to assist them in identifying their identical school bags.

Please note: For a shorter unit of work, lessons may begin at Step 5

Single Lesson Plan

Bag Tags

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<td>Step 1 (15 mins)</td>
<td>Class Discussion: There are often two or more students in the class that have bags that are exactly the same. Show the student 2 or more bags from your class that are exactly the same. Explain that this means that at times the bags have got mixed up. Talk to the children about this problem. Ask “Has this ever happened to you?” “What happened?”</td>
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<td>Step 2: (20 mins)</td>
<td>In groups, students brainstorm possible solutions to solve the problem. eg put a coloured ribbon on their bag, put stickers on their bags, write their names on their bags, etc. Get students to make a list of all their ideas on a large sheet of paper. Remember...at this stage all ideas are good ideas!</td>
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Class Discussion: Discuss the merits of each idea. Talk together about why each one may or may not work. Choose the best idea.

Step 4: (20 mins) Decide upon design features

(Continue with this step if your students decided on the bag tag option!) Either in groups or as a class decide upon design features that would work well for you. E.g. 1. be strong 2. Have a loop to attach it with 3. Be between 5 and 7 cm long 4. Mean something special to you. Please note, for security reasons many people do not like having names on the outside of bags...which is why we chose 'mean something special to you'. This means the bag is easily identifiable by the correct owner. Record ideas on whiteboard and together choose 4-5 relevant design features for your class.

Step 5: Generate ideas for your bag tag

On a piece of paper, students can draw some ideas for their bag tag design. Before beginning this task, it is useful to take a look at the shapes that will be available for them to use in the Shaper section of Maker’s Empire. Have students draw a variety of ideas for their bag tag and then choose one to focus on.

Step 6: Design your bag tag in Maker’s Empire

Use the Shaper Tool in Maker’s Empire to design and create your own bag tag.

Step 7: Print, Evaluate and Improve

Print a selection of bag tags to evaluate. Students can discuss the good points, things that need improvement and things they have learned.

Step 8: Make you final design

The students can use the feedback from the previous lesson to improve their design. They look carefully at the design they have created in Makers Empire and make adjustments as necessary.

Step 9: Print your final design and attach it to bags

Students attach their printed designs to their bags. Discuss...did you meet the design criteria? What worked well? What could you do better next time?

Curriculum

Australian Curriculum:

Sequence steps for making designed solutions and working collaboratively (ACTDEP009)

Use personal preferences to evaluate the success of design ideas, processes and solutions including their care for environment (ACTDEP008)

Use materials, components, tools, equipment and techniques to safely make designed solutions (ACTDEP007)

Visualise, generate, develop and communicate design ideas through describing, drawing and modelling (ACTDEP006)

Explore needs or opportunities for designing, and the technologies needed to realise designed solutions (ACTDEP005)

Identifying Roles For Each Member Of A Group when Working Collaboratively (ELBT58)

Recording The Procedure For Making A Product, For Example A Recipe Or Instructions For Making A Container (ELBT45)

Using Lists Or Storyboarding when Planning And Making, For Example When Planning An Electronic Planting Calendar (ELBT19)

Checking That Planned Features Have Been Included in Design Plans And Drawings By Referencing To Identified Criteria For Success Including Care For The Environment (ELBT94)

Suggesting Areas For Design Improvement (ELBT232)

Reflecting On The Processes And Challenges Of Designing And Producing A Solution And Sharing These Reflections Using Digital Technologies, For Example When Growing A Food Product, Designing A Structure To Take A Load Or Making A Nutritious Snack (ELBT147)

Recording A Judgment About Design Ideas With Teacher Guidance, For Example Expressing Own Likes And Dislikes About A Design Idea (ELBT51)

Developing Criteria For Success With Teacher Guidance Including Consideration Of Impact On Environment (ELBT82)

Assembling Components Of Systems And Checking Their Function As Planned, For Example When Making A Musical Instrument (ELBT33)


Identifying One Common Testing Method, and Recording Results, for Example Taste Testing Comparisons of a Food Product and Recording Results in a Digital Form (ELBT142) link [http://rdf.australiancurriculum.edu.au/elements/2014/09/68d6b3c8-7ca7-40b8-957a-6b887226f43e]

Recording a Judgement About Design Ideas with Teacher Guidance, for Example Expressing Own Likes and Dislikes About a Design Idea (ELBT173) link [http://rdf.australiancurriculum.edu.au/elements/2014/09/9b8c88e-87c8-4758-8f0d-5b676b6a]

Communicating Design Ideas by Modelling, and Producing and Labelling Two Dimensional Drawings Using a Range of Technologies to Show Different Views (Top View and Side View), for Example a New Environment Such as a Cubby House or Animal Shelter (ELBT403) link [http://rdf.australiancurriculum.edu.au/elements/2014/09/67bb86f-9d3d-484d-887a-3387728c85b]

Comparing and Contrasting Features of Existing Products to Provide New Ideas, for Example Exploring Toys with Several Movable Parts with the View to Designing and Making a Simple Puppet with One Movable Part (ELBT89) link [http://rdf.australiancurriculum.edu.au/elements/2014/09/7b466a3-594e-4380-b6b0-d51444f8225d]


Considering the Importance of Sustainability in Designed Solutions, for Example Comparing the Durability of Materials for a Selected Solution (ELBT213) link [http://rdf.australiancurriculum.edu.au/elements/2014/09/b0aa29eb-e7e9-4c49-9775-901a9514ff1]

Discussing Possible Designed Solutions Based on Experience and Some Research, for Example Asking Adults for Advice (ELBT248) link [http://rdf.australiancurriculum.edu.au/elements/2014/09/544486b-f1b6-4236-9331-7f35b3476f8]

Exploring Opportunities Around the School for Designing Solutions, for Example How School Play Areas Could Be Improved, How the School Removes Classroom Waste and Identifying Opportunities to Reduce, Recycle and Reuse Materials; Reviewing the School Canteen Menu to Identify Healthy Food Options and Suggesting Changes to Promote Future Good Health (ELBT331) link [http://rdf.australiancurriculum.edu.au/elements/2014/09/38c6cd70b-5ed3-4102-bb9b-5a3b4d5e3e7]

