Civic Action Plan and Final Exam: Unit Overview

CHV2O, Civics and Citizenship, Grade 10 (Open), Unit 6. 5 classes of 75 minutes, plus independent work time and the final exam in the exam period.

The big question

What civic issue matters to you, and how could you help change it?

Students launch the culminating Civic Action Plan: they choose a civic issue of personal interest, write an inquiry question, research how different groups view the issue, judge sources (including social media), compare courses of action against clear criteria, and build and present a plan with a SMART goal, steps, partners, predicted results and success criteria. A review lesson connects the course to current events and prepares students for the written final exam.

Lessons

#	Lesson	Classes	Question	Expectations	What's inside
1	**Choosing My Issue**	1	Which issue matters to me?	C2.1, A1.1	Issue criteria; inquiry question; perspectives; task launch
2	**Researching the Issue**	1	What does the evidence say?	C2.1, A1.2, A1.3	Where to look; credibility; social media; research log
3	**Options for Action**	1	Which action could work best?	C2.2, A1.4	Five kinds of action; six criteria; comparing options
4	**Building and Presenting the Plan**	1	How will I make change?	C2.2, A1.5, A2.4	Plan parts; SMART goal; presentations; careers
5	**Course Review and Exam Preparation**	1	What have I learned, and how will I show it?	A2.3, A1.4, B1.2	Six-unit review; concepts in current events; exam practice

Assessment

Type	In this unit
Assessment for learning	Issue shortlist, research log, options matrix, plan drafts, exit tickets
Assessment as learning	Peer feedback, self-checks, study plan
Assessment of learning	Civic Action Plan (15% of the final grade, classroom work) with rubric and teacher guide; written Final Exam (20%, exam period) with marking guide

Included in Start Here

Teacher and student documents:

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- **Culminating Task and Rubric:** the Civic Action Plan task, checkpoints and rubric
- **Culminating Teacher Guide:** look-fors and a sample plan
- **Final Exam:** a written exam covering the whole course
- **Final Exam Marking Guide:** answers and marking scheme

Keep the final exam secure until it is written. Under Ontario's 2026 policy, the final mark is 65% classroom work, 20% final exam and 15% attendance and participation.

What's in each lesson

- Teacher lesson plan with expectations, timed sequence, differentiation, look-fors and answer guides
- Slides with speaker notes
- Student handouts and organizers
- Editable Word and PowerPoint files, plus PDFs

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