Marine Environment Studies

Marine Issues

Context/Setting: Initial unit to provide students with an opportunity to become emotionally engaged with the topic and objectives for the course

The Big Ideas:

Course Objectives:

• To broaden student awareness, understanding and knowledge of the marine environment

Maori Perspective: Students may wish to make contact with local kaumatua and/or Iwi regarding marine issues	I.C.T. Component: Internet use for research phase Fax/phone use for contacting potential resource people/organisations PP and/or word processing for final presentation		
 Resources: List of possible resource people/organisations for specific marine issues for students to contact during research phase PP of course objectives and rationales Borrow books from National Library regarding marine issues (in general and for local area) List of local marine issues (to enhance student brainstorm) Overview of course (objectives, expectations, and assessments) Research assignment outline (expectations & milestones) Group working skill building activities (consider poster size for walls) Ways of researching poster reminders Evaluation sheets for end of unit 			

Evaluation of Unit: What worked? What didn't work? What would you do differently next time?

A more extensive list of web sites and phone numbers (contacts) would have been useful – had planned to have this but run out of time to organise. Perhaps a demo on phone conversations . . . ring up during class on cell phone. Decide what we want to know first, sort out questions, ring then analyse phone call afterwards; They required a bit more structure on what should be in the ppt; A pretty good effort from most of the students; Two groups did sedimentation, one of water quality (bathing in a creek at Te Tii), one on overfishing, two on dolphin watching.

Learning	Success Criteria	Learning Opportunities	Assessment
Intentions	(How will you know that	(The strategies/activities/experiences that students can have to support	(The 'product(s)'
(What do you	students have achieved	the achievement of the learning intentions)	students produce to
want the	Learning Intentions)		demonstrate the
students to			success criteria)
understand)			
Students will:	Students will:	Lesson 1	• Students to answer
• begin to learn the	 work cooperatively and 	• Marine 'Who am I' activity (Icebreaker)	the question: What are
skills of successful	collaboratively to produce	• Discuss course objectives and rationale	some of the issues for
group work and	successful research	• Go through course overview	our local marine
cooperative	presentations		environment (e.g. the
learning.	(students are able to	L2	Bay of Islands)?
-	overcome individual issues	• Discuss course expectations and expectations for teaching and learning	
• gain research	of working in a group;	• Establish a contract	
skills and	students are able to identify		• Student groups to
experience	stages of group work, time	L3	produce a ppt to
-	frame for developing and	• Introduce the topic of Issues	communicate their
• develop their	working through each stage,	• Whole class brainstorm school based issues – discuss what makes them issues	understanding to
written and oral	ways of 'moving forward'	• Groups brainstorm marine issues – each group shares (consolidate on board)	broaden the
communication	through stages).	• Groups to determine which ones are local (BoI) marine issues	understanding of the
skills		• Group work – what I noticed was happening/not happening	rest of the class of
	• be able to discuss		current issues
• have a better	(compare/contrast, evaluate,	L4	surrounding the local
understanding of	& justify) their issue as well	• Introduce project	marine environment.
the issues	as those of other student	• Guest speaker – Alan Fleming re: marine issues in BoI	Groups will be
surrounding the	groups		presenting their work to
marine environment		L5	rest of class, approx 10
in the Bay of	• be able to summarise the	• Reflection of Alan's talk	min presentations.
Islands	issues of other student	• Organise groups of 4 – determine tasks (Project Manager etc)	
	groups		
		L6	
	• understand that reflection	• Students work on project following the Research Outline	
	is a skill which aids with		
	future learning	L7	
	_	• Revise research skills and information sources (interview people, books, journals,	
		magazines, newspapers, visit places (museums), internet)	
		• How to contact and interview people	

• Co-operative learning – how it works!!!	
L8 - 10Students work on project following their Milestone/instruction sheet	
L11Project presentationsIndividual collation of information during each presentationPrioritise issues	
L12Class collation of information (big picture)Self, group and teacher evaluation	