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What is this lesson plan for?

As educators, we know that Malaysians across the country are already feeling the effects of the climate crisis. Yet, our conversation on climate change continues to lag behind. So, what can we do to kickstart that conversation with our students?

This collection of lesson plans will guide your class through the circular economy, zero waste, and sustainable lifestyles. They were created with Malaysian classrooms in mind, providing:

- relatable, localised examples
- practical calls to action
- curriculum-aligned learning objectives

Together, we hope that we can encourage one another to make informed decisions in our daily lives for the future of our planet.

“Just as ripples spread out when a single pebble is dropped into water, the actions of individuals can have far-reaching effects.” – Dalai Lama

What is included?

The main learning objectives of this lesson plan are:

- to raise awareness of waste management in a Malaysian context
- to build the mindset of responsibility towards the environment
- to show that everyone can make a positive difference for the environment

There are 5 modules in total:

- Module 1: What is Waste?
- Module 2: Where Does Waste Go?
- Module 3: Types of Waste
- Module 4: How Much Waste Do We Produce?

How to teach ZWM Lesson at home (for parents/guardian):

1. Access the public lesson plan folder via the Zero Waste Malaysia website at zerowastemalaysia.org and download the teaching materials in your chosen language.
2. Read through each module's 60-minute lesson plan and the materials provided. The lesson plan tells you the objectives of each module and an overview of the topic.
3. Use the materials (presentation slides and videos) as the basis for your lesson.
4. Ensure the learning outcomes of each module are achieved. You can assess your children's performance through the activities provided.
5. Ask your children to complete the [pre-lesson survey](#) before beginning with Module 1, and complete the [post-lesson survey](#) upon finishing Module 5.
6. Complete the [Educator Survey](#) upon finishing Module 5 to help us improve the lesson plan.

How to teach ZWM Lesson with WhatsApp/Telegram and Google Classroom:

1. Access the public lesson plan folder via the Zero Waste Malaysia website at zerowastemalaysia.org.
2. Read through each module's 60-minute lesson plan for an overview of the lesson.
3. Add your students to a WhatsApp/Telegram group and introduce yourself, e.g.:
Hi everyone! 🙌 I'm Teacher Ali. For the next 5 weeks, I will train you to become a Zero Waste HERO, or better known as a WIRA ZERO WASTE (WOW)! Before we begin, please introduce yourself and share one fun fact about you.
4. Ask your students to complete the [pre-lesson survey](#) before beginning with Module 1, and complete the [post-lesson survey](#) upon finishing Module 5.

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Note: Instructions will be revised with the launching of Wira Zero Waste (WOW) virtual classroom programme in August.