

## Lesson 1: My Singapore, My Home

*Owning and taking responsibility for the well-being of Singapore is for everyone.*

There is a great difference between the satisfaction people have with their lives in Singapore and loving Singapore and being prepared to make sacrifices for her well-being. There is a need for us to realize our collective responsibility that makes up the nation; our sense of social responsibility and loyalty that is crucial in caring for Singapore.

Social responsibility and loyalty to the nation need to be built upon the strong grounds of love, loyalty and memories of the past (history).

**My Singapore, My Home** offers students the opportunity to review and discuss the ways in which they behave towards Singapore. Through the activities, students will explore concepts of love, respect and loyalty for one's country and the ways in which these can be expressed more concretely.

## Lesson 2: My Singapore, Our Future

*Compassion and care create a caring Singapore society.*

What builds a caring society? We are connected as a human family, as a nation and as communities. These connections are what make us more fully human. The way we connect to people will determine the kind of people we become and will determine the kind of society we will forge for our future.

People with great quality of compassion are important in our society. Compassion allows one to see the suffering of those who are considered unseen and neglected; compassion propels them to do something to help alleviate their pain and sorrow.

**My Singapore, Our Future** gives emphasis to the values of care and compassion as central to the well-being of society. Students are invited to read the stories of Singapore's forefathers who have been great carers, peace-makers and lovers of the people of Singapore. Students will also be encouraged to do some activities that will benefit their neighbourhood.

## Lesson 3: Singaplural

*Unity among races comes from respecting differences and developing friendships within the community.*

In our country, there can be no unity if we gang up against races or groups of people just because they are different from us or unable to speak the same way as us. It is very important to learn the basic tenets in building a unified nation. Unity comes from sharing equally with all in need and from sticking together in hard times and not looking for someone to blame in times of trouble. Unity comes when we care for each other regardless of our differences.

**Singaplural** is a lesson that helps students give greater value and appreciation to the racial, cultural and religious differences of Singaporeans. It reinforces the idea that unity is fundamental to growth and sustenance of the nation. Through the use of story, music, reflection and project work students are helped in becoming better and contributing citizens of the country.