

NATURAL SCIENCE

Adventist Content

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Teach essential subject content by:

a) Identifying and teaching subject content important to Adventist Education, that goes beyond what is specified in the public or government curriculum Some examples:

God is Creator – He made everything that was made God is Sustainer – He works everything together for smoothness and life Great flood Nature of man Doctrine of sin as corruption of nature New Heaven and new earth Seven day cycle with Sabbath rest Bible as resource for science theory Stewardship of the earth Stewardship of the body - NEWSTART

Additional examples:

b) Identifying and giving an Adventist perspective to subject issues or teachings or practices which differ from the Adventist view, that may be introduced by the public textbook, government syllabi or that may come naturally from the area of NATURAL SCIENCE and call for response or explanation. Some examples:

ISSUES IN NATURAL SCIENCES

Changing technology and employment Labor saving machinery replacing human labor robotization Artificial intelligence Genetic engineering

Drugs Use and abuse Socially acceptable Costs - economic and health Legal

Effective use of resources

Mining, mining ocean, Antarctica, moon Mining wastes Finite nature of resources

Finite carrying capacity of earth Population density Food supplies Birth control

step 2 learning the approaches

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Flood Model of Creation - Evolution Speciation Geological column Age of earth Fossil gaps Rates of change Continental drift Sceptics' society

Greenhouse Effect

Global warming Ice cap melting Press dramatization Means of bringing world unity Different hopes of different countries

Lifestyle - Diet/health/fitness

Cost to industry Diseases Junk food Vitamins Cost to community Personal costs

Politics, Industry and Science

Industry laws Government monitoring and regulation Rights of protest Waste laws Mutual interdependence of government and industry Rate of law change Problems of reporting discoveries eg cold fusion

Recycling - resource management

Organic garbage Glass Paper Metals Plastic Keeping recycled materials high in cost

Resource Usage - Economics and Science Helping AIDS victims versus joint replacement

Choosing patients to help Waiting lists for major operations

Training Scientists Brain drain **River control** Flood mitigation Damming

Road Toll Speed

Accidents Alcohol Seat belts and child restraints Cost of medical work Road costs versus medical research Investigation costs

Siting of industries Waste disposal Environmental concerns

Warfare Chemical weapons Biological weapons Nuclear weapons



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c) Identify subject themes that recur throughout the topics and lessons and show a spiritual application or value associated with the theme. The theme can be used many times throughout the course to reinforce the spiritual lesson each time it is seen in the subject content

theme	spiritual insight	topics
nature	Nature is God's second book, revealing 'touchable' evidence that God is the Sovereign Creator	a. Biology b.Zoology c. Botany
design	In the study of science, repeatedly we discover new and intricate designs, proving an omniscient God to be the Master Artist of the universe	a. water b. trees c. fish d. leaves
resources	God placed enough of everything to care for us for a very long time	a. water b. trees c. fish d. gold

ADDITIONAL THEMES: