

Another country

- much to learn

The country where your friendship class lives differs from yours in many ways, and it is exciting to get to know such a different culture. Perhaps you already have lots of ideas how to incorporate your friendship class into your teaching. If not, you will find inspiration in the table below. A panel of Danish teachers and one South African teacher has developed this inspiration to help you get started. World Class Friends will work both as a short-term project

to fill in gaps in your lesson plan, and as an ongoing project throughout the school year. The project may take different forms. Your class can write letters, make a video or record music. How you choose to use the inspiration and your friendship class in your teaching, is entirely up to you.

We hope you and your class will find it useful and that you will enjoy participating in the project.

Teaching ideas	7-9 year-olds	10-12 year-olds	13-15 year-olds
The school Classrooms, administration, teachers, discipline	*	*	*
The educational system Levels, subjects, elective subjects, exams, quality, gender distribution, exchange programmes		*	*
Festivals and traditions Rites of passage, birthdays, Christmas	*	*	*
Holidays and leisure activities Travel, exercise, friends, after-school jobs	*	*	*
Sport National sport and associations	*	*	*
Diet Eating habits, organic food, production, sustainability	*	*	*
Make recipe books Exchange recipes and cook your friendship class' favourite meals	*	*	*
Health The healthcare system, conditions for people with special needs, nursing homes		*	*
Family life Upbringing, family structure, the home, transport, old age	*	*	*
Teenagers Girlfriends, boyfriends, parties, drugs, alcohol, culture			*
Interests Who are their idols and what are their interests?		*	*
Racism History, attitudes, changes, legislation		*	*
Crime Type, extent and frequency, the judicial system		*	*
Culture History, tribes, ethnicity, language, culture, religion		*	*
Politics History, composition, ideologies, issues		*	*
Business Industry, agriculture, tourism, unemployment		*	*
Economy Welfare system and social security, currency		*	*
Form of government Monarchy/republic, parliament		*	*
Songs and music Lyrics, rap, music videos	*	*	*
Drama Theatre, dance, role play	*	*	*
Nature Vegetation, climate, wildlife	*	*	*
Animals Livestock, pets, zoos	*	*	
Reading Letters to the class	*		
Making books Photos, drawings and written texts	*	*	*
Drawing Cartoons, animated films	*	*	*
Newspapers Writing articles, taking photos and designing layout		*	*
Sensory box (May be both physical and visual) Send to the friendship class	*	*	*
"Letter Teddy" Send back and forth with letter to friendship class	*		