

Lesson 3-2: Sticky Note Activity

Time	Engaging the Student (entry Task)	Developing the Ideas--Lesson			Checking for Understanding (exit ticket)
		Student Handout	Teacher/Lecture Notes	Materials	
~60 minutes	At the beginning of class, allow students 5 minutes in their teams to share information they researched for homework. Pair teams with opposite positions and have them informally debate and discuss their positions for about 10 minutes.	Sustainability Topics Worksheet	<p>Watch The Sticky Note Activity video for teachers explaining the activity</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hand out a stack of sticky notes to each team and have team members put each piece of evidence they found for homework on a separate sticky note. Make sure that each sticky note identifies which bag it is referring to. 2. In groups no more than 12, have students place the sticky notes separately on a wall, chalkboard, table, or set of desks. Circular options work best because it engages all of the students. Have students silently arrange them into categories based on similarities. It's important that students remain silent so they are not influenced by each other. 3. When they seem to be coming to a stopping point, have them rotate halfway around the table and see if they agree with the organization on that side. 4. Have the students label each of their categories. 5. Lead a discussion and lecture on the definition, pillars, scope, problems, and solutions of Environmental Sustainability. It is important that students have a strong grasp of the concepts of Sustainability before moving forward. 	<p>A pack of sticky notes for each team</p> <p>Fat sharpies</p> <p>A cleared wall, large table, or arranged desks</p> <p>Chalk/dry erase markers</p> <p>This TED talk on the impact of plastic and paper bags</p> <p>This magazine article on paper vs plastic bags</p> <p>The three pillars of sustainability</p> <p>The definition of sustainability</p>	<p>Start making a class list of environmental sustainability issues on a big sticky note</p> <p><i>Journal check-in</i> Spend a few minutes answering reflection questions in journals. "What does sustainability mean to you? Why should our lifestyles be sustainable? What questions do you still have about sustainability?"</p>

			End the discussion recognizing that paper vs. plastic is an environmental sustainability issue because it impacts the three pillars of sustainability.	One big sticky note Colored sharpies Students' journals	Have students complete the Sustainability Topics Worksheet (for homework)
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Five Sustainability Topics Worksheet

Name: _____

Directions: Choose five issues related to sustainability and list above each table. Fill in each table with information on how each issue negatively and/or positively affects three aspects of our world: the environment, people, and the economy. Not every row (pro vs con) needs to have information, but every column (Environmental, Social, and Economic) should have information.

Topic 1: _____

	Environmental	Social	Economic
Pro			
Con			

Sources:

Topic 2: _____

	Environmental	Social	Economic
Pro			
Con			

Sources:

Topic 3: _____

	Environmental	Social	Economic
Pro			
Con			

Sources:

Topic 4: _____

	Environmental	Social	Economic
Pro			
Con			

Sources:

Topic 5: _____

	Environmental	Social	Economic
Pro			
Con			

Sources: