

IMAGINE THAT! (LEVEL 1)

Description	Learners will get a chance to explore many phenomena around them and imagine if it was different? What if the colors, shapes, occupations, animals, festivals, schools and the world could be anything we wanted it to be?			
Leading Question	If you could create your own world, what would be like?			
Total Time Required	5 hours over 5 days			
Supplies Required	Paper, Pencil, Pen, Colors etc.			
Learning Outcomes	 Understanding how the world works including professions – occupations, schools and learning, festivals and celebrations, An understanding of colors and shapes Ability to gather information and learning from interviews 			
Previous Learning	Background information on colors, shapes etc.			

DAY 1

Today you will explore how different our world could be – if everything and anything could be re-imagined.

Suggested Duration	Activity and Description
15 minutes	 Draw a picture of their choice of their surroundings and themselves in it – it could be a beach, a forest, their home, etc. Represent 5 objects as the different shapes you know and make a list of these shapes that is numbered, e.g.
	 Circle for sun Triangle for the roof of a home Conical shape for the cone of an ice-cream Sphere shape for the Earth Square for windows



• Color in the image that you have drawn.



10 minutes

• Open your imagination and rethink what everything is like.

- Pick objects to draw the common shapes and then re-imagine these objects as different shapes, fill out the table below or draw it if you cannot write.
- Example

No	Object	Shape	Re-Imagined Shape
1	Sun	Circle	Square
2	Bread	Square	Triangle
3	Pizza Slice	Triangle	Circle
4	Face	Oval	Star Shape
5	Ice-Cream Cone	Cone	Cylinder
6	Earth	Sphere	Rectangle
7	Coffee Mug	Cylinder	Oval

Create a new drawing and color it – change the shapes of these common objects to alternate shapes – pick any 5 shapes of your choice. Also rethink of all of the colors, none of the expected/real colors can be used for example: the sky can be yellow, clouds can be purple, the ocean can be green, etc.



10 minutes	 Re-imagine animals and their roles now.
	 Start with making a list of all the animals you know and what they
	give us? For younger learners, you can illustrate this and trace
	letters e.g.



Ν	Animal	What we get Alternate		
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1	Cow	Milk	Fruits	
2	Sheep	Wool for Sweaters	Milk	
3	Hen	Eggs	Wool	

DAY 2

Today you will write up different profession and design your own occupation of choice.

Suggested Duration	Activity and Description
15 minutes	 Conduct a survey of family members of friends to understand more about their professions. Think of any 4 questions you want to, including:
	 Name of job: What does the person do every day in their job? What do people need to know / learn to do this job?
30 minutes	 Write a small report on any 3 professions of your choice with an illustration of each professional in their uniform. For each profession, you can write a few sentences to describe each profession. Younger learners can illustrate a day in their life and orally describe what tasks the person does on the job. Now, imagine what they want to be? You can be as imaginative as you want – you can either choose to see yourself in an existing profession or imagine your own profession. For example: you can grow up to be a doctor or make up your own profession like an ice-cream taster, etc.
15 minutes	• Write a short report or illustrate the same on the profession of your choice including details of what a day in the life would look like, what specific skills or learning you have to do the job and why you want to do it? Younger learners can illustrate a day in the life and trace or orally describe the learning and skills you need.

DAY 3

Today you will design their own festival today, exploring existing festivals and then planning your own celebrations.



Suggested Duration	Activity and Description
20 minutes	• Think of 2 different festivals that are a part of their culture and understand the background of it and do a small pretend game on this. Conduct interviews with family members to understand a few things about the festival, including:
	 What is the message or purpose behind the festival? For example: Eid is a day of gratitude for the end of Ramadan or pilgrimage season or Diwali is about victory of good over evil, Chinese New Year celebrates the end of winter and beginning of spring etc. What is the story behind this festival? How do we celebrate? E.g. light candles, prepare specific food recipes, meet family and friends, dress in some specific colors / clothes etc.
20 minutes	 Illustrate either of these festivals in a little comic strip with what they do that particular day describing this and/or do a small pretend game that today is that festival day.
20 minutes	 Make up your own festival! Decide a few things, including: What is the main message of the festival? What is the name of the festival? What food will you eat at the festival? What will people wear? How will you celebrate? Either role-play the made up festival or make a comic strip illustrating what you are doing in the festival.

DAY 4

Today you will get a chance to design your own schools and learning experiences.

Suggested Duration	Activity and Description
10 minutes	• Make either a written or illustrated list of the things you like and dislike about your school e.g. I like the library, I do not like sitting on a desk, etc.
20 minutes	 Ask some of your school friends or siblings what they like and dislike in school – if you are not able to ask your friends, ask family members. Create a pictogram of the top 5 things that people like the most in school. For example:



Category	Number of Likes
Library	
Music Class	s s
Math Class	+- ÷x

• Answer a few questions:

-	What is the	most	popular	thing	in	schools?
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- What is the least popular thing in schools?
- Are there any two things that got the same number of likes?
- How many more people liked the favorite thing (e.g. library) compared to the least favorite? (e.g. math class)

30 minutes	 Design your dream school – the challenge is to make school a lot of
	fun and learning. It needs to be a place that the learners never want
	to leave and really learn. Think about the place you have the most
	fun and learn the most in, and think of how you can make your
	school just like that. Some of the questions to think through include:
	Make a poster for this dream school to attract new students with an
	illustration of this school and the key feature.
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• Mark the 5 things that people love the most in school and then think of how you can improve these things.

DAY 5

Today you will complete a model of your perfect world that is run by children and where you are the king or queen.

Suggested Duration	Activity and Description
60 minutes	 Include all your imagination from the previous day to create a story of yourselves and your families living in this world. Some questions to think about:
	 What would adults do? Where would our homes be? For example would it be in the sky or underground or under water? What would the transportation be? For example: Could you hav a balloon car? What is one thing you dislike the most – how would this be different in your world? For example: I hate plastic and my entire world will be made with all things natural etc.



	 Illustrate and label or write a story of your perfect world and share this with your family – or enact a day in the perfect world (you can ask family members to participate).
15 minutes	 Reflect and think of how you can bring some of these newly imagined changes and differences into your real world.

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

- Creativity in their new imagined designs
- Critical thinking when explaining or justifying their decisions
- Design of the poster, report, comic, story and clarity of the key different and attractive features
- Demonstrated understanding of the way how things are now

MODIFICIATIONS FOR SIMPLIFICATION

- Learners can be asked to rethink existing professions, schools and festivals instead of designing their own
- Learners can work on Day 1 4 and ignore the final day