CLIL Module Plan

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School Grade	O Primary	O Primary			O Middle			High	
School Year	01 02			03 04		0 4		⊚ 5	
Subject	Fisica	Fisica		Topic		Meteorology			
CLIL Language	English				O Deut	sch			

Personal and social-cultural preconditions of all people involved

Students (Ss) belong to two different courses of study, i.e. Means of Transport (2 people) and Logistics (5 people). Over the last five years they have been sharing most of their school time in the same workgroup, even if they follow slightly different study plans from one another. The first group only has some specific knowledge of Meteorology, and this could provide support to the development of the didactic work. In general, the Ss show motivation and interest by playing an active role in the lecture. This enables the teacher (T) to demonstrate high expectations of all learners, even if the learning level is not homogeneous. There are no special needs in the class and there are no Ss causing problems. Good interpersonal relations lay the foundations for effective cooperation between Ss in the educational activities; the T-S relationship is fluid and humanely equitable, too. Most of times Ss tend to split up in small groups and, for this reason, the T forms groups of work which differ from one activity to another. Not all Ss are glad to bring their culture to the class and hence so this is something the T should be searching for. Student group profile: all Ss are Italian mother tongue and their English language level is quite homogeneous (Average CEFR Level B1). No previous experience in CLIL is reported. Teacher profile: the T currently teaches Electronics and Physics. He obtained a C1 level (Cambridge CAE) last year. There is no need for a co-teacher.

Students' prior knowledge, skills, competencies

Subject

The course requires no prior specific skills related to the subject, since it was designed as an introduction to the topic. Students just need to have a solid background knowledge of Science about base Classical Physics (Newtonian mechanics, solid body Physics, conservation of matter and energy, gravitational law). Of course, Students should be familiar with Scientific Method: in their daily school activities, they are used to making observations, thinking of questions, developing predictions and explanations. A group of Ss benefits from the fact that it has got some specific knowledge of Meteorology.

Language

No prior knowledge of micro-language concerning specific vocabulary and grammar is required for developing the lessons. Grammar structure: conditionals, present simple, present continuous, present perfect and present perfect continuous, past simple, past continuous, comparatives, superlatives, selected phrasal verbs.

Timetable fit

Lesson

Length 3

Description of teaching and learning strategies

• The teacher (T) tries to apply the main principles of CLIL teaching and regards the 4 C's (Content, Communication, Cognition and Culture) as guidelines to design the lesson plans. He aims at establishing a balance between HOTS and LOTS, so that tasks result challenging but still not excessively demanding. • The T tries to create an interactive environment by planning activities to be carried out primarily in pairs or groups. He forms groups of work, which differ from one activity to another, and provides students (Ss) with the material and a clear explanation of the work to be done. He tries to be as clear as possible as regards to specific procedures, targets and expected outcomes. Unless otherwise specified, the educational material is delivered in digital form on a cloud platform. The T carefully prepares this material before each lesson: he prints the worksheets, arranges the experimental setup in lab activities, and checks the working of software and online platforms. • There is a common thread that connects the lessons; every single lesson, however, is designed to have its own autonomy, so that Ss might be able to follow a lesson even if they missed the previous one. • A wide range of teaching tools and materials are used to meet different learning methods: texts, graphical objects, open discussions, videos, open discussions, lab activities, presentations, online simulations, crossword puzzles, quizzes. To make the learning more attractive, activities in a lesson continuously switch from one type to another. For each activity, the T sets a time limit with which he tries to comply. Anyway, the time required to carry out the task strongly depend upon the Ss' ability, engagement, and, possibly, new ideas that deserve to be developed. When the work is particularly productive, the T does not stop the activity and increases the amount of time available to learners. • All lessons begin with an activation process aimed to light the spark of curiosity in the Ss. V

Overall Module Plan

Unit: 1

Air motion and Meteorology

Unit length: 3

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CLIL Lesson Plan

Unit number 1 Lesson number 1 Title Air motion and Meteorology

Activity	Timing	Learning Outcomes	Activity Procedure	Language	Interaction	Materials	Assessment
1	15	• Activate Thinking •	T forms groups (max 3 Ss) and projects a question on	Skills	□ Whole class	• U1_L1_ALL1.jpg	
		Look at a	the board (do you know	L S R W	■ Group		
		physical how to measure the height of a tall building using a barometer?). The Ss reflect on the issue and draw pictures on a piece of paper to illustrate their	Key vocabulary Barometer, height, building, pressure, trivial, perspectives.	work Pair work Individual work			
		Solving.	findings. While they work out solutions, the T walks around and gives hints to Ss who get stuck.	Communicative structures Show how it is possible to determine What solution do you suggest for? I'm sure that each of you knows the			
				most obvious Use your imagination			

2 5 • Get an idea T illustrates the plan of the Skills Whole of how the current les-son and class L S R W current lesson encourages Ss to ask for ☐ Group will develop explanations and take work **Key vocabulary** □ Pair work and what the note of the keywords over Plan, schedule, subject will be. the next three hours. Then ☐ Individual learning he outlines the main • Get an idea work outcomes, of what Ss expected learning activity. should know outcomes: - make use of and be able to imagination to solve a Communicative practical situation; do as a result structures of the learning realize that unorthodox Just to sort things solutions can be the most process. out, this is our effective ones; - use and overall plan.. appreciate the natural Today we focus on human method of Critical topics you all have Thinking; - understand the already learned main physical principles about... You have that generate weather to keep taking phenomena; - explain the notes.. If we do nature of local work properly, you meteorology. will learn some things...

appropriate terminology.

4 20 Stretch out The T provides each S with Skills Whole • U1 L1 ALL2.docx Formative: T the set of a well-known text (The class assesses how L S R W answers given Barometer Story), which Group Ss have by the Ss. • contains some answers to work exploited thei **Key vocabulary** ■ Pair work Apply laws of the above-mentioned creativity. Solution, physics to find questions given by some More, he ☐ Individual barometric different American Ss. One after provides work pressure, roof, another, Ss read out part feedback on solutions. • ground, of the text and then the reading skills Understand acceleration, whole group discusses it, and helps that, contrary gravity, string, making a comparison with clarifying to pendulum. expectations, a their own findings. The T unknown may help Ss to figure out words. series of non-Communicative obvious which physical laws are structures involved in the answers solutions is There are many possible. • (barometric pressure, ways of getting Realize that accelerated motion. the height.... It's similar triangles, gravity creativity sounds obvious. manifests itself and pendulum). While a S do you think this when you have is reading aloud, other Ss is a good way and the T may notice problem to of...? This is out of solve and look pronunciation mistakes. ordinary... How do for unorthodox The class outlines and you think the T discusses the new terms, solutions. should evaluate too. such a ...?

5	15	• Think	Ss are randomly grouped	Skills	□ Whole	• U1_L1_ALL2.docx
		critically at The Barometer Story. • Ponder an argument with a partner.	in pairs and are supplied with a question sheet (Who thinks critically?). Questions refer to the The Barometer Story. To write down answers, Ss can consult an online dictionary	L S R W Key vocabulary Critical thinking, science, discoveries, moral.	class Group work Pair work Individual work	• U1_L1_ALL3.docx
	(Wordre	(Wordreference.com), without overdo it.	Communicative structures What does the story teach us? Answer these questions You are allowed to use Try to use your own words as much as you can.			

6	20	 Share and compare ideas. Combine a set of perspectives. Use and appreciate the natural human method of Critical Thinking. 	The T's answers to the previous questions are projected on the board. T reads a question and groups' representatives, in turn, read out their own answers. T stimulates debate, given also that no single answer can be regarded as complete. In some way, answers are combined as tiles of a unique mosaic. The T also	Key vocabulary Critical Thinking, mental equipment, human method, scientific method, key ideas, progress, turning point, environment.	■ Whole class Group work Pair work Individual work	• U1_L1_ALL4.docx	Formative: T monitors progress in thinking skills and provides ongoing feedback on content and language. Pee reviewing: Ss assess each other's viewpoints.
			gives his own answers to enrich the debate. The process is repeated for all questions. Every student is encouraged to give its personal view and report personal experience. Language issues are highlighted, as well.	Communicative structures He had not observed, he wouldn't never have survived. A reasonable question to ask in this connection is That's a good point I agree with you			

7 25 Understand The T presents a Skills Whole • U1 L1 ALL5.ppt Formative: the slideshow (Air pressure class assessment is Internet L S R W relationship and motion) to introduce ☐ Group informal, the ⁻ among some Physics concepts work records what **Key vocabulary** pressure, wind related to air motion. Ss □ Pair work the Ss already Average sea level, and Earth's follow the T's lecture and know and how ■ Individual pressure system, rotation. • are free to interrupt at any they reflect or work cyclone, Coriolis time in order to ask Apply physics the topic. force, converging, questions and express laws to northern/southern atmospheric opinions. In almost every hemisphere, wind, slide some specific phenomena. friction, isobars. questions are outlined; cooperative replies these Communicative questions are expected. In structures one question, the task It should be as requires to read a synoptic interactive as chart, identify the possible.. What is hemisphere and then the average..? Do identify the area in a world you have an map. In another query, Ss explanation for...? are exhorted to report Wind develops some specific weather because of... phenomena from the Where is region they live in. As deflection usually, throughout strongest? Some presentation, each student examples from takes note of the the region you live keywords. in?

8	20	 Develop a wide view about how air 	The T shows the video Pressure and wind, which is an adaptation of a short	Skills L S R W	■ Whole class	www.youtube.com/watch? v=eyjHpbYiRs4&t=2s,	Formative: focus on listening skills
		molecules behave in the atmosphere. • Analyse the phenomena that affect air pressure.	instructional movie found on the Web (www.youtube.com/watch? v=eyjHpbYiRs4&t=2s, Standard Youtube licence, accessed February 2, 2018). Ss watch the video and try to catch information and record	Key vocabulary Air molecule, hurricane, barometer, dense, cold/warm, convection cell, downdraft/updraft, water vapour.	work Pair work Individual work	Standard Youtube licence, accessed February 2, 2018	and microlanguag
		explanations. If needed, T stops the video and helps with the understanding of the content and unknown words.	Communicative structures What makes the wind stronger? Air pressure is affected by As the Earth spins,				

9	20	Re-elaborate what they have learned from the video.	T provides students with a paper sheet (U1_L1_ALL6) with multiple-choice questions related to the video. Ss, individually, fill the sheet (time limit of 5 minutes); when they have finished, the T depicts the right answers (U1_L1_ALL7) on the board and stimulates debate. As much as possible, Ss should help their classmates to understand the answers. They may also play the video again at the exact moment when information were provided.	Key vocabulary Air molecule, hurricane, barometer, dense, cold/warm, convection cell, downdraft/updraft, water vapour. Communicative structures After you have watched the video What role does pressure play?	■ Whole class □ Group work □ Pair work ■ Individual work	• U1_L1_ALL6.docx • U1_L1_ALL7.docx	Formative: focus on content, Ss make peer- reviewing assess their own progress. Summative: T assess what the Ss have learned over the last two activities. No marks at this stage.
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10	20	 Compare the expected learning 	T projects a wordcloud (prepared with the link online tool) on the board.	Skills L S R W	■ Whole class	• U1_L1_ALL8.jpg	Formative: Ss and T give an account of
		outcomes with the actual outcomes. • Give feedback to the teacher.	In plenary, Ss find out statements (using the coloured words as guidelines) to reveal what they have learned over	Key vocabulary Learning skills, outcomes, goal, reach	work Pair work Individual work		what and how they have learned.
		• Obtain feedback from the teacher.	the previous 3 hours. These statements are compared with the planned learning. Ss report strengths and weaknesses in the work they have done: their opinions will be useful to tailor teaching strategies to didactic purposes and actual learning skills in the class. The T expresses its view and strongly endorses the idea that everything can be questioned.	Communicative structures It's time to settle things with you Try to write down have achieved at the end of this lesson. Hopefully, they will match the Learning Outcomes written in the lesson plan.			