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STUDY HIGHER			
RESOURCE TITLES	GROWTH MINDSET		
RESOURCE SUMMARY	In this session, students will be able to identify growth mindset and the positive outcomes from adopting it for themselves.		
ТНЕМЕ	WELL	LAST UPDATED	April 2024
TARGET YEAR GROUP	Years 9, 10, 11, 12, 13		
MIN. NUMBER OF LEARNERS	5	MAX. NUMBER OF LEARNERS	30
LENGTH OF SESSION	20 minutes – can be delivered in its own or part of a one-hour session	VENUE LAYOUT	Cabaret
WORKSHOP/RESOURCE OBJECTIVES	 Enable learners to: learn the definition of a growth mindset in comparison to a fixed mindset specify the positives of adopting a growth mindset understand the process of developing a growth mindset 		

RESOURCES INCLUDED	PP_Growth mindset - presentation	
AV / OTHER RESOURCES REQUIRED?	 Access to a computer with presenting capabilities Paper and pencils for students to draw White board markers 	

Time	Activity	
2 mins	 Introduction Outline the objectives for the session Ask students to think about what a growth mindset could mean (note down suggestions) Highlight the differences between a growth and fixed mindset 	
	"In a fixed mindset students believe their basic abilities, their intelligence, their talents, are just fixed traits In a growth mindset students understand that their talents and abilities can be developed through effort, good teaching and persistence."	

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5 mins Intro activity Ask students which sentence best describes how they think Growth Mindset: New abilities can be developed through practice Fixed Mindset: Intelligence and Talent are fixed traits that lead to success Give example questions

10 mins



Let's do a little practice...

Students are asked to draw the image without lifting their pen from the paper, encourage them to talk about the task while doing it:

Either walk around and collect phrases that they say while doing it or ask teacher to walk around and put some students' comments in the chat.

Ask students how they found the task

Divide the phrases into Growth and Fixed Mindset. Add the ones you heard and encourage the students to tell us more

Examples of fixed mindset chat vs growth mindset chat on board:

FM: This is too hard! I'm no good at logic activities like this!

GM: Didn't get it this time but I'll learn from where I went wrong! Oops, but I'll try again!

Explain to students that even if you find something difficult, you can still give it a try!

"Some people might not be able to do it straight away, but people who continue to try demonstrate a growth mindset!"

Use examples of a student changing their mindset

- 1. Instead of saying "You either have something or you don't: I am not going to bother trying in PE because I am better at academics."
- 2. You can say: "I have not previously been good in PE but I am going to give it a try! Failing is part of learning."

Talk about how students can develop a growth mindset

Dr. Carol Dweck "Celebrate Trying"

"Learn the skill of learning"

The students can now have a go at changing a fixed mindset into a growth mindset. How would you change the following to match a growth mindset?

"We don't have exams so there is no point in studying."

Allow them to discuss in groups or with the person next to them and then ask them to share some answers.

Answers can include: "Even though we don't have exams, we can still benefit from learning more about the subject and practising how to complete assessments. It will be useful for our own

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	learning."	
5 mins	Summary / Wrap up activity	
	Think about a time where you may have had a fixed mindset and how can you now evolve this into a growth mindset?	
	Note: FM can also avoid feedback; receiving responses from others contributes to our sense of identity and can help us become more self-aware.	
2 mins	Plenary Think about how you could develop your growth mindset.	

WAYS TO ADAPT THIS SESSION	Combine this with another session from the Resilience series, e.g. <u>Goal setting</u> .	
FURTHER RESOURCES	See also shorter sessions on <u>Motivation</u>	