

WEEK S	TOPICS	Learning Objectives: By the end of the lessons, students should be able to:
1	Revision of last term's work / Resumption test	Answer questions on some topics from previous terms. Concept of National unity, - Loyalty, evidence of loyalty
2	Characteristics of National unity	Mention at least three characteristics, explain some of the characteristics and analyse National symbol
3	Factors that promote National unity	Identify, explain and demonstrate factors that promote national unity
4	Factors that promote National unity	Identify five factors that promote national unity e.g. peaceful co-existence, love, perseverance, explain factors that promote National unity
5	Factors that hinders National Unity	Identify, explain and demonstrate some factors that hinders national unity
6	Factors that hinder National unity	Itemize four factors that hinder National unity e.g. Ethnicity, disloyalty
7	Mid Term Test	Mid-term break / Open day
8	Solutions to the factors that hinder National unity	Identify two solutions to the factors e.g. government policy, lack of cooperation, tribalism
9	Revisions	Revisions and Final Examinations
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11	Revisions	Revisions and Final Examinations
12	Revision	Revisions and Final Examination
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REFERENCES

UNIFIED SCHEME OF WORK

WEEK: 1 **DAY:** **SUBJECT:**

DATE: **TOPIC:**

SUBTOPIC: **PERIODS:** **DURATIONS:**

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: At the end of the lesson, students should be able to

1. Meaning or concept of unity
2. Meaning of national unity and importance
3. Evidence of loyalty

KEY VOCABULARY WORDS:

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS: The teacher will teach the lesson with the aid of:

1. The national pledge.
2. Speeches of leaders calling for loyalty.
3. Resource person to talk on loyalty.
4. Handbook on NYSC.

CONTENT: LOYALTY

MEANING OF NATIONAL UNITY

National unity is ability to accept other people from different ethnics or groups as one, irrespective of religion, status, culture and geographical location.

IMPORTANCE OF NATIONAL UNITY

The importance of national unity are follows:

1. It increases national progress.
2. It strengthen the nation.
3. It brings about the development of the nation.
4. It helps the government of the nation to understand the people's needs and choices.
5. It strengthen the national unity.
6. It encourages people to share values and ideas.



MEANING OF LOYALTY

Loyalty is a strong feeling and content, shows of support to a person or institution.

Loyal services to nation e.g. NYSC, military service, law enforcement and voluntary services.

EVIDENCE OF LOYALTY

1. Obedience
2. respect
3. Willingness to serve and defend
4. Show goodwill

5. Respect for nation and national symbols
6. Good representation and protection
7. Give assistance
8. Make personal sacrifice
9. Standby even in times of difficulty or need, etc.

PRESENTATION

- To deliver the lesson, the teacher adopts the following steps:

1. To introduce the lesson, the teacher revises the previous lesson. Based on this, he/she asks the pupils some questions;

2. Guides pupils to explain loyalty.

Pupil's Activities – Recite and writes the national anthem.

3. Guides the pupils to write the national pledge and identify key words e.g. loyal, faithful etc.

Pupil's Activities – Pick out key words e.g. loyal, faithful etc. Discuss in groups what is expected of us to be loyal to our families, school and nation.

4. Explains with the pupils loyalty in family, school, and country.

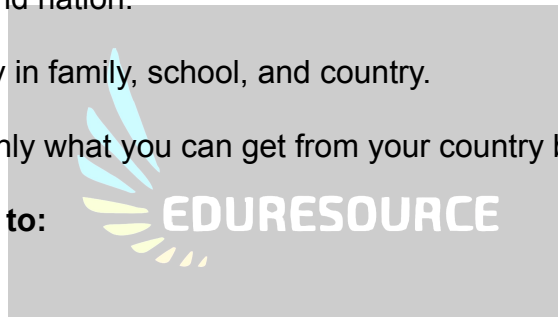
Pupil's Activities – Discuss not only what you can get from your country but also what you can give.

LESSON EVALUATION: Pupils to:

1. Explain loyalty.
2. Write the national pledge and show how they can act on it.
3. Identify two services that require loyalty to the nation.
4. Suggest two loyal services that can be rendered, to the family, school, nation etc.

CONCLUSION

- To conclude the lesson for the week, the teacher revises the entire lesson and links it to the following week's lesson.
- Next Lesson



WEEK: 2 **DAY:** **SUBJECT:**
DATE: **TOPIC:**
SUBTOPIC: **PERIODS:** **DURATIONS:**
LEARNING OBJECTIVES: At the end of the lesson, students should be able to

1. Meaning of National unity
2. Characteristics / importance of national unity

KEY VOCABULARY WORDS:

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS: Wall charts, Pictures, Related Online Video, Flash Cards

CONTENT: CHARACTERISTICS OF NATIONAL UNITY

What is National Unity ?

National Unity simply means the desire of every member of a country to come together and be governed by the same centre or federal government that is based on common interests and political wills .

What are the benefits of National Unity ?

1. There is a centralized control of power
2. There is stability in the country
3. There is fair representative of minorities in the affairs of the country in the government is based on National Unity government .
4. There is relative peace in the country because of National Unity

Characteristics of National Unity

1. **One constitution**
2. **Common natural goals**
3. **National symbols**

Nigerian Government Efforts To Foster National Unity

1. Creation of Federal government Unity Schools that offer admission to various primary school students across the thirty six states of the federation .
2. Establishment of Compulsory National Youth Service Corps with enables every eligible young graduate to serve his or her father land in any of the thirty six states throughout the federation

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National unity is when people in a country are living and working together in harmony and love.

Things that Promotes National Unity / Characteristics of National unity

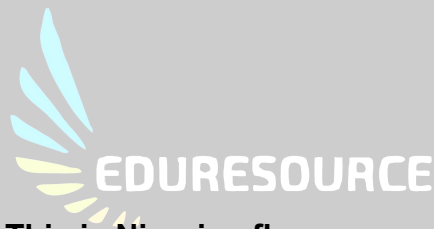
- Respecting the national objectives

- National symbols such as National Anthem, Coat of Arm, National Pledge, National Currency, among others.
- Respecting the ethnic and religious differences in the country

National Symbols

Common official national symbols

- The flag or banner of a nation-state.
- The coat of arms of the land or ruling dynasty.
- The seal or stamp of the land or ruling dynasty.
- The head of state, especially in a monarchy.
- The associated device and motto can also be used separately.
- The national colors, often derived from the above
- **IDENTIFICATION OF NATIONAL FLAG AND COAT OF ARMS**



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- Pupil's expected response – This is Nigerian flag.



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- Pupil's expected response – This is coat of arms
- Teacher's remarks – The flag and coat of arms are known as Nigerian National Symbols. Other symbols are Nigerian currencies, passport, constitution, etc.
- **MEANING OF NATIONAL SYMBOLS**

- Our National Symbols are things that represent our great Nation – Nigeria.
- These symbols represent something important in our country.
- Our National symbols are our National Identity through which we can easily identify as Nigerian and matters that has to do with Nigeria.



WEEK: 3 – 4

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DURATIONS:

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: At the end of the lesson, students should be able to

1. Identify factors that promote national unity
2. Explain and demonstrate factors that promote national unity

KEY VOCABULARY WORDS:

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS: Wall charts, Pictures, Related Online Video, Flash Cards

CONTENT: FACTORS THAT PROMOTE NATIONAL UNITY

Meaning of National Unity

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Values That Promote Peace

Our values are our ideas about what is wrong and what is right, and what is important in life.

Apart from valuing Nigerian made goods, there are other values that help to promote peaceful co-existence in the society.

- **Tolerance:** We should be willing to allow other people to express their own views and beliefs without criticising them or behaving as if we know everything. Social interaction promotes tolerance and respect for others
- **Respect for others:** We should be careful not to harm other people, or hurt their feelings. We must realise that we are all different, and whichever way we behave, we must respect other people's feelings. We must learn to accommodate them and we must learn to be slow in getting angry with one another. We must value each other's opinions because by so doing, we will learn more and keep our society attractive, safe and progressive.
- **Cooperation:** Cooperation is working together to achieve something. People should learn to assist those in need of help. This will promote happiness among everyone. National Youth Corps on parade ground at a swearing-in ceremony
- **Unity:** Coming together to do things for the good of all in any society is very important. In a country like Nigeria where there are so many ethnic groups, there is a great need for people to stick together. By coming together, we can develop the nation.

- **Fairness:** People should be treated fairly without being cheated. We should all operate according to rules and regulations. No one should be treated unjustly because of their religion, financial status, family background or ethnic group.
- **Honesty:** We must emphasise the truth at all times. The truth sets people free because it helps to solve our problems and it makes our fellow men trust and love us all the more. Honesty will reduce stealing, lying and other vices like fraud and prostitution.
- **Self-discipline:** This is the ability to do what you know you should do.
- **Forgiveness:** We should learn to forgive those who have hurt us in the past. Forgiveness will help us to progress as a nation.
- **Moderation:** In Nigeria, we should learn to do things in moderation.

EVALUATION

1. What is National unity?
2. Mention five values that promotes peace in the nation.
3. List three national symbols you know.

What is peaceful co-existence? Peaceful is a condition or state in which there is no war, violence, fighting, intolerance, discrimination or disagreement among individuals or groups in the society. It is a situation in which there is harmony, tranquillity, law and order, tolerance and unity among individuals or groups in the society.

To co-exist is to live together with others of different cultures and backgrounds. When people live together in peace, there is harmony, tranquillity, quietness, love.

Therefore, Peaceful co-existence means different people living together under peaceful conditions.

THE NEED FOR PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE

We have learnt that peaceful co-existence is living peacefully with different people around us. We desire peaceful co-existence because we cannot be an island unto ourselves. We need each other to succeed in life. We have to co-exist with our neighbours in our community. We can't avoid them since we live together in a community. We see, greet, talk and mix with each other every day. We meet in our offices, market, bus stops, churches, hospitals. We make friends and sometimes, marry within the community.

In our communities, we can't avoid living with different kinds of people from different tribes and cultures. We also live with people who worship in ways different from ours. Since we cannot avoid living together with different people, we have to learn to live peacefully with them.

We have to be tolerant and kind to people around us. We render help when needed and avoid causing problems within the community. Doing such things helps us to live in unity and peace.

PROBLEMS FROM LACK OF PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE

There are problems from lack of peaceful co-existence. Whenever we behave wrongly towards our neighbours, there's bound to be problems in the community.

1. Insecurity and loss of lives.
2. Disorder and indiscipline.

3. Breaking of law and order. Disagreement and misunderstanding
4. Religious intolerance.
5. Tribalism, bigotry, hatred.

HOW TO ACHIEVE PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE....

Peaceful co-existence does not happen by chance. We have to labour and work hard to achieve it. When there is conflict, we try to avoid violence. We can achieve peaceful co-existence through;

1. Dialogue- Coming together by two parties in dispute to talk things over amicably.
2. Tolerance- Showing maximum understanding and accommodating someone who is against us, knowing that two wrongs cannot make a right.
3. Forgiveness- Calling for reconciliation or settlement of dispute and letting things be.

What is Peace : Peace is the state of spiritual , emotional and physical calmness without fear or war . It is the absence of troubles or worries within oneself , ones friends, ones neighbour or ones country . Peace is a situation of tranquility, calmness or freedom from emotional or physical disturbance .

What are the values that promote peace

For peaceful coexistence among ourselves as brothers and sisters of this great country Nigeria , We must give room for these values and factors that enshrine peace among various nations and counties . These are the values that promote peace .

1. Justice
2. Fairness
3. Equity
4. Tolerance
5. Forgiveness
6. Love
7. Respect
8. Sincerity
9. Hardwork
10. Perseverance



SUMMARY

Ways of promoting national unity

The following ways are some of the ways, which national unity can be promoted:

1. Living a life devoid of discrimination against other tribes.
2. Tolerance for each other, irrespective of religious and ethnic affiliations.
3. Encouraging inter-tribal marriage.
4. Living a life devoid of discrimination against other religion.
5. Showing hospitality especially to a stranger.

WEEK: 5 – 6

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES: At the end of the lesson, students should be able to

1. Identify factors that hinders national unity
2. Explain and demonstrate some factors that hinders national unity

KEY VOCABULARY WORDS:

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS: Wall charts, Pictures, Related Online Video, Flash Cards

CONTENT: FACTORS THAT HINDERS NATIONAL UNITY

National Unity



National unity is a government formed by a coalition of parties, especially in times of national emergency. National unity is a type of government formed by a group of parties, generally during times of emergency. These governments are said to be unified by the love of country rather than by political affiliation.

MEANING OF UNITY

Unity means to oneness. That's, living together in one accord.

MEANING OF ETHNICITY

Ethnicity is a social group consciousness that influence social economic and political decisions.

It is a feeling that one's social group has been cheated in resource allocation.

CAUSES OF ETHNICITY

Feeling that one's social group has been cheated in:

1. Resource allocation,

2. Colonialism
3. Poverty
4. Illiteracy
5. Political strategy to win election, etc.

Causes of Ethnicity in Nigeria

The concept of each group is to achieve their aim. This is not good for nation building. The following are the causes of ethnicity in Nigeria.

- i.) **Lack of access to resources:** People resort to ethnicity when they feel cheated in the allocation of resources. When people cannot get access to state resources, they turn back and mobilise their ethnic group.
- ii.) **Poverty :** Due to uneven distribution of resources i Nigeria, only few have access to them. Thus, this causes those who do not have such access to form groups to fight for them with hope that things will get better.
- iii.) **Illiteracy:** The inability to read and write by Nigerians in any local languages causes ethnicity. This is because people who are literate can easily mobilise the illiterates for their own selfish interests.
- iv.) **Numerical inferiority:** This is a situation whereby people feel that they are not as much in number as another ethnic group or groups. They therefore, form a group in order to get their own share of the national resources.
- v.) **Political strategy to win election:** politicians fall back to their ethnic group to arouse ethnic consciousness when they see that they cannot win in competitive elections.

MEANING OF DISLOYALTY

Disloyalty is not being loyal to a person, country, or organization.

CONSEQUENCE OF DISLOYALTY

1. Underdevelopment and national failure
2. Being discredited internationally
3. Suffering
4. Poverty
5. Internal and external enemies
6. Lack of development

Consequences of Disloyalty

People whose words and actions are against the nation (or any group to which they belong) are disloyal. The consequences of disloyalty are very unpleasant.

Here are some of the consequences of disloyalty.

- **Under-development and national failure:** If government officials fail to carry out government programmes (which are intended to bring national development), the nation will remain undeveloped and that aspect of national life will fail.
- **Being discredited internationally:** When citizens of a country are disloyal, the country will be discredited by other nations. Reputable international organisations such as the United Nations will be unwilling to support such a nation.
- **Suffering:** Often, disloyal citizens suffer for their own actions. For example, those who traffic in hard drugs are jailed, beheaded when caught.
- **Poverty:** Disloyalty can result in poverty. When disloyal people get caught and are punished, they lose their sources of income as well as whatever they have acquired illegally. This in turn leads them to penury.

Some National Agencies which show Loyalty

Many Nigerians are loyal to the nation, but there are some agencies which show loyalty to the nation directly. Some of them are listed below:

- The National Youth Service Corps (NYSC)
- The Armed Forces of Nigeria (made up of the army, the navy and the air force)
- Soldiers going to defend the country
- The Nigerian Police Force (NPF)
- The National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA)
- The National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC)
- Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC)
- Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria (FAAN)
- National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA)
- Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN)
- Boy Scouts
- Girl Guides
- Boys'/Girls' Brigade
- Nigerian Civil Defence Corps
- Brownies
- The Red Cross
- The Nigerian Legion
- National Youth Service Corps (NYSC)

EVALUATION

1. Explain three results of disloyalty.
2. Identify three services through which people can demonstrate loyalty to the nation directly.
3. Discuss the different ways in which you can serve your country.

WEEK: 7 MID-TERM BREAK MID-TERM TEST OPEN DAY

WEEK: 8 **DAY:** **SUBJECT:**

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES: At the end of the lesson, students should be able to

1. Identify two , the solutions to the factors that hinders unity
2. Explain

KEY VOCABULARY WORDS:

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS: Wall charts, Pictures, Related Online Video, Flash Cards

CONTENT: SOLUTIONS TO THE FACTORS THAT HINDER NATIONAL UNITY

MEANING OF COOPERATION

Cooperation is the process of working together for the purpose of achieving common goals.

CHARACTERISTICS OF COOPERATION

1. Communal efforts
2. Shared responsibilities
3. Helping one another in times of needs.
4. Willingness to assist



Consequences of Lack of Co-operation

1. Goals will become unachievable .
2. Physical , social and economic growth will be retarded and truncated .
3. There will be no room for development.
4. Suspensions and hatred will be the order of the day

📖 **Non-discrimination:** An individual who is interested in fostering national unity should not discriminate against anybody on the grounds of place of birth, sex, religion, language, ethnic group, class or political affiliation. Everybody should be given equal opportunity in terms of employment, contract award, scholarship, admission into universities and unity schools.

📖 **Inter-marriage:** This is a marriage between two people from different cultural backgrounds. The government has been encouraging inter-marriages among our young people because of its dividend that is positive in removing ethnic fears among the groups contracting the marriage

TOLERANCE

Tolerance is one of the acceptable behaviours and values that promote peace in our society.

Tolerance is the willingness to tolerate or accept people's behavior, beliefs, opinions or practices that are different from your own.

Intolerance is when people cannot accept views, beliefs, or behavior that is different from their own.

Tolerance does not mean that you have to do what they do or you have to follow their beliefs or practices.

CHARACTERISTICS OF TOLERANCE

1. Respect for each other
2. Behaviour and ways of doing things
3. Forgiveness
4. Accommodation
5. Slow to anger
6. Carefulness
7. Think and rethink before you do anything.

Nigeria is made up of 371 ethnic groups, the majority of which are the Yoruba, Hausa and the Igbo. These ethnic groups are made up of multiple tribes numbering up to 371.

TRIBES AND TRADITIONAL DRESSES

A tribe is a social group of people who share the same language, customs, and beliefs. For example, the Yorubas, the Igbos and the Hausas.

Traditional dresses are dresses worn by people of the same culture and tribe. That's, they are dresses that represent the culture or identity of a specific people or ethnic group.

EXAMPLES OF TRADITIONAL DRESSES IN NIGERIA

Yoruba Traditional Fabrics and Dresses

- Fabrics – Aso Oke and Adire Fabrics
- Men dresses – Agbada, Buba and Sokoto with matching cap
- Women dresses – Buba and Iro with matching gele

Igbo Traditional Fabrics and Dresses

- Fabrics – Akwete and Isi Agu Fabrics
- Men dresses – Shirt and Wrapper with matching cap
- Women dresses – Short wrappers with plenty of beads of different types and styles.

Hausa Traditional Fabrics and Dresses

- Fabrics – Bura and Saki Fabrics
- Men dresses – Sleeveless with pair of three-quarter shorts
- Women dresses – Sleeveless half-top worn over a wrapper

LESSON 2 – IMPORTANCE OF TRADITIONAL DRESSES

The importance of traditional dresses are as follows:

1. It promotes our cultural heritages.
2. It promotes peace and unity among the people.
3. It creates job opportunities for people in fashion industry such as manufacturing, distribution and sewing.
4. It is a great source of income for people in weaving and designing.
5. It creates people's ways of life.
6. It protects the body.

TRIBES WITH THEIR CULTURE

YORUBA

Language – Yoruba

Dress – Agbada, Puba and Sokoto for men, Puba and Iro for women.

Food – soups like ewedu, gbegiri, okra, egusi, and efo riro.

Deities – Obatala, Shago, Olokun, etc.

IGBO

Language – Igbo

Dressing –

Food –

Deities –

HAUSA – FULANI

Language – Hausa – Fulani



Dressing –

Food –

Deities

GOVERNMENT POLICY AS SOLUTIONS TO THE FACTORS THAT HINDER NATIONAL UNITY

Since independence in 1960, successive Nigerian Governments have made national unity their foremost agenda. Various policies, schemes, and programmes such as the National Youth Service Scheme (NYSC), Federal Character, Reorientation programmes etc have been employed without the anticipated outcomes.

The rationale for the establishment of the NYSC points towards addressing some of the fundamental issues of the civil war by actively promoting the ethos of unity and cultural integration that is relevant to the national identity question. The national question of Nigeria can be viewed from three critical perspectives; the ethno-relativist perspective, class perspective and the identity perspective.

Although the ethno-relativist and class perspectives have dominated mainstream national development discourse, national identity has emerged as the most dominant discourse in contemporary Nigeria. In the formation and negotiation of multiple identities, youths are constantly engaged in struggles for survival, inclusion, participation and empowerment for national development.

As positive agents of 'change', analysts argue that youths have been instrumental in shaping the dynamics of national unity and integration between different ethnic-nationalities, and in reversing 'otherness' and hierarchical dominance over ethnic minority regions and groups.

SUMMARY

PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

NYSC

The NYSC scheme was created in a bid to reconstruct, reconcile and rebuild the country after the Nigerian Civil war.

UNITY SCHOOLS

Unity Schools was established with the primary aim of integrating and grooming leaders, for the future of both the public and private sectors of Nigeria, who would bear the responsibility and build the mindset of fostering National Unity.

FEDERAL CHARACTER

The Federal Character was established to implement and enforce the Federal Character Principle of fairness and equity in the distribution of public posts and socio-economic infrastructures among the various federating units of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

WAYS OF PROMOTING NATIONAL UNITY

1. True Practice of Federal Character.
2. Zoning of Leadership positions.
3. Judicious Use of Natural Resources.
4. States Autonomy over Natural Resources.
5. Sports Activities.
6. Cultural Integration.
7. Duration of Youth Service.
8. Promoting Inter-Tribal Marriages.
9. Tolerating one another.
10. Avoid discrimination.
11. Showing love and concern.



WEEK: 9 REVISIONS

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WEEK: 12 EXAMINATIONS