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BUILDING CLIMATE-OCEAN
EDUCATION INTO THE
CURRICULUM

TEACHER TRAINING GUIDE

SESSION BACKGROUND

We are moving through a critical decade for ocean conservation, where acknowledging and acting on the link between the ocean and climate change has never been more pressing. In addition to encouraging local support for conservation initiatives, there is an urgent need for young people to understand the key principles of climate change and how this is impacting the ocean. It is equally important for them to feel hopeful about securing a more sustainable future considering this immense global challenge. Marine climate change issues are poorly communicated despite the central role of the ocean in the carbon cycle, where it dissolves more than 1 million tonnes of man-made CO₂ every hour.

Young people are demanding more climate action, and so they deserve more high-quality climate education that will encourage critical thinking and improve their scientific skills. Climate education must be appropriate for various age groups with a strong focus on action-based learning in addition to knowledge building. Blue Education believes that now is the time to deliver climate content that is more likely to encourage behaviour change, which includes topics around mitigation, adaptation and solutions.

SESSION OVERVIEW

A hands-on session equipping teachers to build student understanding from climate basics to ocean solutions, exploring ready-to-use resources and developing curriculum-aligned activities that will help build confidence in both teacher and pupil.

1. **Introduction** (nature of climate change & baseline knowledge)
2. **Core climate science** (basic mechanisms, evidence, ocean's role & blue carbon)
3. **Teaching approaches** (assertion vs scaffolding)
4. **Curriculum Tasks** (integrating ocean-climate science into the curriculum)
5. **Resource Explore and Lesson Design** (create and present one lesson)
6. **Student wellbeing** (addressing climate anxiety & balance of agency)
7. **Q&A**

1. INTRODUCTION – ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE CLASSROOM

Climate change can be taught as a simple array of science concepts. However, it may be better understood as a phenomenon reaching into every aspect of what it means to be human, addressing issues as disparate as money, politics, fairness, compassion, anxiety, trust, and even whether to have children. As we turn to address climate change with classes at secondary level, it is worth reflecting on how these diverse aspects can impact both teaching and learning.

This complexity is heightened by the triadic nature of learning (González et al., 2005), where knowledge and attitudes flow between home, child, and educator. Each participant brings their own “funds of knowledge” to climate change discussions, creating a rich but potentially challenging teaching/learning environment.



What do you and your students bring to the classroom?

These prompts will help you explore how different perspectives and experiences shape climate change education in your classroom. By examining various aspects that influence teaching and learning, you can develop more inclusive and effective approaches to this complex topic.

Based on your own experiences of being taught and teaching, consider these questions:

Science understanding	Values and worldviews
<ul style="list-style-type: none">What scientific concepts about climate do your students already understand well?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">How do family political perspectives influence student views on climate action?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Which misconceptions from home environments do you commonly encounter?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">What diverse cultural relationships with nature exist in your classroom community?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">How do gaps in your own scientific knowledge affect your teaching confidence?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">How do you maintain professional objectivity while acknowledging your own views?



Emotional response	Socioeconomic Context
<ul style="list-style-type: none">What climate-related anxieties do students bring from home discussions?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">How do family circumstances shape students' views of climate solutions?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">How can coping strategies influence student resilience?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">What assumptions about resources and actions influence our teaching?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">What emotional challenges do you face when teaching climate topics?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">How do our own socioeconomic experiences affect our approach to teaching?

Figure 1 – Addressing climate change in the classroom

2. CORE CLIMATE AND OCEAN SCIENCE

Teaching ocean and climate science can feel daunting, particularly when approaching unfamiliar scientific concepts. This section provides essential subject knowledge to help you feel more confident in delivering lessons about the climate-ocean nexus.

TASK 2:

As we explore these core concepts, consider which areas you would like to develop further in your own understanding. Use the emojis to indicate your confidence in teaching the following themes and add notes to each topic as we move through the slides/discussion:

Links to supportive resources

Interactive diagrams, activities and resources can be found at:

<https://encounteredu.com/multimedia/collections/ocean-climate>

<https://encounteredu.com/teacher-resources/ocean-climate-science-ages-11-14>

<https://encounteredu.com/cpd/collections/ocean-climate>

Greenhouse effect interactive	Climate science timeline	Climate science complexity and (un)certainty
Explores core mechanisms of how greenhouse gases warm Earth's atmosphere 😬 😬 🧊	Showing key science discoveries since the 1850s, and a lag in action 😬 😬 🧊	Examines areas of (un)certainty and emerging questions in climate science 😬 😬 🧊
Evidence for climate change	Climate change over time	Carbon sources, sinks and stores
Presents multiple lines of evidence supporting climate change understanding 😬 😬 🧊	Charts historical climate patterns and their natural vs human drivers 😬 😬 🧊	Maps carbon movement through Earth's systems and human impacts 😬 😬 🧊
How does climate change affect the ocean?	All about blue carbon habitats	All about the continental shelf
Outlines how climate change affects ocean systems and marine life 😬 😬 🧊	Examines coastal ecosystems that capture and store carbon 😬 😬 🧊	Explores this key marine habitat's role in carbon storage 😬 😬 🧊

Figure 2 – List of Topics

3. TEACHING APPROACHES

Teaching about **Earth's climate and ocean systems** presents important pedagogical choices: do we begin **with values and emotional connections (Assertion-based)**, then build up **scientific understanding (Scaffolding approach)** systematically, or find a way to combine both?

Both topics involve complex systems that directly affect students' lives, while also presenting opportunities for hope and positive action. Your teaching approach may depend on your students' needs, your teaching context, and your own confidence with these interconnected topics.

Many teachers find that **combining elements of both approaches works best – using emotional connections to spark interest while gradually building scientific understanding** of Earth's interconnected systems. The key is finding the right balance for your specific context. As you read through the characteristics of each approach, consider which elements would best serve your students' needs and your teaching style.

Assertion-based approach

This values-first method aims to build environmental behaviours, emotional resilience, and competencies without requiring deep scientific understanding, focusing on developing care for self, others and the environment through **practical engagement and emotional connection**.

This approach to climate and ocean education can be systematically developed through **four key areas**. Each area builds different aspects of environmental understanding and action while connecting to existing school priorities and frameworks.

The framework in Figure 3 provides practical examples of how each area can be implemented, with specific ideas that can be successful in school settings. Many of these suggestions may align with initiatives already happening in your school, allowing you to build on existing practices rather than starting from scratch.



1. Traditional environmental values

- Pro-environmental behaviours, e.g. school recycling monitors
- Environmental citizenship, e.g. Eco-Schools Green Flag program
- Basic understanding of human-nature relationship, e.g. school garden and growing food
- School value statements and ethos, e.g. linking to the UN Sustainable Development Goals and sharing these across displays and in assemblies

2. Emotional intelligence & wellbeing

- Self-care practices, e.g. mindfulness including in natural settings
- Building emotional resilience, e.g. through PSHE curriculum
- Developing environmental empathy, e.g. through nature time and wildlife surveys
- Links to PSHE objectives, e.g. exploring responsibility for the wider world

3. Social-emotional development

- Care for others, e.g. community gardening and environmental projects
- Building community connections, e.g. working with local environmental groups
- Supporting spiritual development, e.g. exploring environmental ethics
- Promoting democratic values, e.g. through eco-committees or school council

4. Competency building

- Teamwork and leadership, e.g. group environmental projects and ambassador programs
- Planning and problem-solving, e.g. designing and maintaining school environmental initiatives
- Communication and advocacy, e.g. presenting to different audiences and engaging decision-makers
- Curriculum integration, e.g. using environmental monitoring for data handling

Figure 3 – Suggestions for an assertion-based approach in a school setting



TASK 3:

Highlight in Figure 3 any examples of how you may have taken an ‘assertion’ approach to climate education. Consider the pros and cons of this approach and complete the table below.

Assertions Approach – Pros and Cons:

Pros	Cons

Scaffolding Approach

A systematic building of scientific concepts and understanding that follows the primary curriculum progression, gradually constructing a comprehensive grasp of ocean and climate science through connected learning of underlying principles and processes.

Understanding how to teach ocean and climate science effectively requires careful consideration of how concepts build over time. The next task aims to help you identify how existing National Curriculum content in Key Stage 3 Geography and Science can be a platform for scaffolding climate and ocean science, even though not all these topics are explicitly mentioned.

While the DfE’s climate change strategy emphasises the importance of climate education, core concepts like photosynthesis, respiration, the carbon cycle, and climate change itself are not explicitly included in the **primary curriculum**. However, by identifying and building on existing curriculum foundations, we can help students develop meaningful understanding of these concepts, particularly in lower KS3 where many students are already encountering climate change through media and daily life.

Rather than attempting to fit climate change into the curriculum as a standalone topic, this scaffolding task helps you identify and strengthen crucial building blocks in students’ understanding.

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4. SCAFFOLDING APPROACH WITHIN THE CURRICULUM

TASK 4:

In your groups work through the KS3 Geography/Science Curriculum below and consider how/where the climate-oceans nexus could be integrated. Work in your groups to consider the following:

- Existing curriculum content that supports ocean and climate understanding
- How these elements connect to build scientific and geographical comprehension
- Ways to make explicit links between familiar topics and environmental concepts
- Identify foundations you can build upon in each year group 7-9.
- Make connections between familiar topics and ocean/climate concepts
- Plan how to strengthen key understanding at each stage
- Ensure students develop both knowledge and values systematically
- Prepare students for more detailed study of these topics from KS4

TIP: Use the Figure 2 – List of Topics Table – to help you consider what to integrate

GEOGRAPHY KS3	Development of climate-ocean knowledge		
	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
Locational knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">extend their locational knowledge and deepen their spatial awareness of the world's countries using maps of the world to focus on Africa, Russia, Asia (including China and India), and the Middle East, focusing on their environmental regions, including polar and hot deserts, key physical and human characteristics, countries and major cities			
Place Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none">understand geographical similarities, differences and links between places through the study of human and physical geography of a region within Africa, and of a region within Asia			
Human and physical geography <p>Understand, through the use of detailed place-based exemplars at a variety of scales, the key processes in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">physical geography relating to: geological timescales and plate tectonics; rocks, weathering and soils; weather and climate, including the change in climate from the Ice Age to the present; and glaciation, hydrology and coasts			

GEOGRAPHY KS3	Development of climate-ocean knowledge		
	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
<ul style="list-style-type: none">human geography relating to: population and urbanisation; international development; economic activity in the primary, secondary, tertiary and quaternary sectors; and the use of natural resources <p>Understand how human and physical processes interact to influence, and change landscapes, environments and the climate; and how human activity relies on effective functioning of natural systems</p>			
Geographical skills and fieldwork <ul style="list-style-type: none">build on their knowledge of globes, maps and atlases and apply and develop this knowledge routinely in the classroom and in the fieldinterpret Ordnance Survey maps in the classroom and the field, including using grid references and scale, topographical and other thematic mapping, and aerial and satellite photographsuse Geographical Information Systems (GIS) to view, analyse and interpret places and datause fieldwork in contrasting locations to collect, analyse and draw conclusions from geographical data, using multiple sources of increasingly complex information.			

BIOLOGY KS3	Development of climate-ocean knowledge		
	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
Subject content – Biology Pupils should be taught about: Structure and function of living organisms Cells and organisation <ul style="list-style-type: none">the functions of the cell wall, cell membrane, cytoplasm, nucleus, vacuole, mitochondria and chloroplaststhe similarities and differences between plant and animal cellsthe role of diffusion in the movement of materials in and between cellsthe structural adaptations of some unicellular organismsthe hierarchical organisation of multicellular organisms: from cells to tissues to organs to systems to organisms.			
The skeletal and muscular systems <ul style="list-style-type: none">the structure and functions of the human skeleton, to include support, protection, movement and making blood cellsbiomechanics – the interaction between skeleton and muscles, including the measurement of force exerted by different musclesthe function of muscles and examples of antagonistic muscles.			

BIOLOGY KS3	Development of climate-ocean knowledge		
	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
Nutrition and digestion <ul style="list-style-type: none">content of a healthy human diet: carbohydrates, lipids (fats and oils), proteins, vitamins, minerals, dietary fibre and water, and why each is neededcalculations of energy requirements in a healthy daily dietthe consequences of imbalances in the diet, including obesity, starvation and deficiency diseasesthe tissues and organs of the human digestive system, including adaptations to function and how the digestive system digests food (enzymes simply as biological catalysts)the importance of bacteria in the human digestive systemplants making carbohydrates in their leaves by photosynthesis and gaining mineral nutrients and water from the soil via their roots.			



BIOLOGY KS3	Development of climate-ocean knowledge		
	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
Gas exchange systems <ul style="list-style-type: none">the structure and functions of the gas exchange system in humans, including adaptations to functionthe mechanism of breathing to move air in and out of the lungs, using a pressure model to explain the movement of gases, including simple measurements of lung volumethe impact of exercise, asthma and smoking on the human gas exchange systemthe role of leaf stomata in gas exchange in plants.			
Reproduction <ul style="list-style-type: none">reproduction in humans (as an example of a mammal), including the structure and function of the male and female reproductive systems, menstrual cycle (without details of hormones), gametes, fertilisation, gestation and birth, to include the effect of maternal lifestyle on the foetus through the placentareproduction in plants, including flower structure, wind and insect pollination, fertilisation, seed and fruit formation and dispersal, including quantitative investigation of some dispersal mechanisms.			

BIOLOGY KS3	Development of climate-ocean knowledge		
	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
Health <ul style="list-style-type: none">the effects of recreational drugs (including substance misuse) on behaviour, health and life processes.			
Material cycles and energy Photosynthesis <ul style="list-style-type: none">the reactants in, and products of, photosynthesis, and a word summary for photosynthesisthe dependence of almost all life on Earth on the ability of photosynthetic organisms, such as plants and algae, to use sunlight in photosynthesis to build organic molecules that are an essential energy store and to maintain levels of oxygen and carbon dioxide in the atmospherethe adaptations of leaves for photosynthesis.			
Cellular respiration <ul style="list-style-type: none">aerobic and anaerobic respiration in living organisms, including the breakdown of organic molecules to enable all the other chemical processes necessary for lifea word summary for aerobic respirationthe process of anaerobic respiration in humans and micro-organisms, including fermentation, and a word summary for anaerobic respirationthe differences between aerobic and anaerobic respiration in terms of the reactants, the products formed and the implications for the organism.			

BIOLOGY KS3	Development of climate-ocean knowledge		
	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
Interactions and interdependencies <ul style="list-style-type: none">Relationships in an ecosystemthe interdependence of organisms in an ecosystem, including food webs and insect pollinated cropsthe importance of plant reproduction through insect pollination in human food securityhow organisms affect, and are affected by, their environment, including the accumulation of toxic materials.			
Genetics and evolution Inheritance, chromosomes, DNA and genes <ul style="list-style-type: none">heredity as the process by which genetic information is transmitted from one generation to the nexta simple model of chromosomes, genes and DNA in heredity, including the part played by Watson, Crick, Wilkins and Franklin in the development of the DNA modeldifferences between speciesthe variation between individuals within a species being continuous or discontinuous, to include measurement and graphical representation of variationthe variation between species and between individuals of the same species means some organisms compete more successfully, which can drive natural selection			

BIOLOGY KS3	Development of climate-ocean knowledge		
	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
<ul style="list-style-type: none">changes in the environment may leave individuals within a species, and some entire species, less well adapted to compete successfully and reproduce, which in turn may lead to extinctionthe importance of maintaining biodiversity and the use of gene banks to preserve hereditary material.			

CHEMISTRY	Development of climate-ocean knowledge		
	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
<p>Pupils should be taught about:</p> <p>The particulate nature of matter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">the properties of the different states of matter (solid, liquid and gas) in terms of the particle model, including gas pressurechanges of state in terms of the particle model.			
<p>Atoms, elements and compounds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a simple (Dalton) atomic modeldifferences between atoms, elements and compoundschemical symbols and formulae for elements and compoundsconservation of mass changes of state and chemical reactions.			

CHEMISTRY	Development of climate-ocean knowledge		
	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
Pure and impure substances <ul style="list-style-type: none">the concept of a pure substancemixtures, including dissolvingdiffusion in terms of the particle modelsimple techniques for separating mixtures: filtration, evaporation, distillation and chromatographythe identification of pure substances.			
Chemical reactions <ul style="list-style-type: none">chemical reactions as the rearrangement of atomsrepresenting chemical reactions using formulae and using equationscombustion, thermal decomposition, oxidation and displacement reactionsdefining acids and alkalis in terms of neutralisation reactionsthe pH scale for measuring acidity/alkalinity; and indicatorsreactions of acids with metals to produce a salt plus hydrogenreactions of acids with alkalis to produce a salt plus waterwhat catalysts do.			
Energetics <ul style="list-style-type: none">energy changes on changes of state (qualitative)exothermic and endothermic chemical reactions (qualitative).			

CHEMISTRY	Development of climate-ocean knowledge		
	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
Science – key stage 3 9 <ul style="list-style-type: none">The Periodic Tablethe varying physical and chemical properties of different elementsthe principles underpinning the Mendeleev Periodic Tablethe Periodic Table: periods and groups; metals and non-metalshow patterns in reactions can be predicted with reference to the Periodic Tablethe properties of metals and non-metalsthe chemical properties of metal and non-metal oxides with respect to acidity.			
Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none">the order of metals and carbon in the reactivity seriesthe use of carbon in obtaining metals from metal oxidesproperties of ceramics, polymers and composites (qualitative).			
Earth and atmosphere <ul style="list-style-type: none">the composition of the Earththe structure of the Earththe rock cycle and the formation of igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocksEarth as a source of limited resources and the efficacy of recyclingthe carbon cyclethe composition of the atmospherethe production of carbon dioxide by human activity and the impact on climate.			

Figure 4 – Scaffolding Climate-Ocean knowledge into the curriculum

5. BLUE MARINE'S OCEAN RESOURCES

An important part of Blue Marine’s strategy for a healthier ocean is strengthening education through community engagement, schools’ initiatives, collaboration with local stakeholders and strategic partnerships with education providers. Recognising the lack of marine conservation education in school curriculums, our Blue Education unit has developed free educational resources and online platforms to help bridge the gap in education. Resources like these help to cultivate a personal interest in ocean protection among younger generations while also informing climate change education.

In 2023, we transformed ‘The Sea We Breathe’, our award-winning educational website, into a VR experience. Guided by a voiceover from British actor Helena Bonham Carter, it explores three marine habitats — **open ocean, kelp forest and seagrass meadow** — allowing viewers who live far from the coast, or can’t visit marine environments, to dive into the wonders of the ocean.

‘The Sea We Breathe’ is now available in 8 languages, with Arabic launched in 2023 at COP28 in Dubai and Greek launched in 2024.

List of links:

<https://vrbluemarine.com>

Home - The Sea We Breathe - <https://www.bluemarinefoundation.com/the-sea-we-breathe>

Jersey Ocean Observatory - Your portal to Jersey’s underwater world - <https://ocean-observatory.bluemarinefoundation.com/jersey>

Virtual Experience - Convex Seascapes Survey - <https://convexseascapesurvey.com/virtual-experience>

Blue Education Resources | Blue Marine Foundation - <https://www.bluemarinefoundation.com/2020/03/25/blue-education-resources>

Marine Conservation Projects | Blue Marine Foundation - <https://www.bluemarinefoundation.com/our-projects>

TASK 5:

- Explore the resources in the links and guide. Return to Figure 4 to add reference to appropriate activities/ case studies to facilitate your Climate-Ocean teaching.
- In your tables plan a 25-minute lesson with the objective of integrating the oceans into climate education.



Scaffolding Approach – Pros and Cons

Pros	Cons

6. STUDENT WELLBEING IN CLIMATE AND OCEAN EDUCATION

The teaching of climate change and ocean literacy requires careful consideration of student wellbeing, particularly in how we approach emotional support while fostering meaningful engagement with environmental challenges. When teaching about **climate change there are two main aspects to consider:**

1. Intergenerational justice
2. Importance of agency



Addressing intergenerational justice

The discourse around climate change often places undue burden on young people through rhetoric about the “next generation saving the planet.” This responsibility-shifting has significant psychological impacts, as documented by Hickman et al. (2021), who found that 59% of young people surveyed were very or extremely worried about climate change, with many reporting feelings of betrayal by government inaction. The psychological impact of framing climate action as solely youth responsibility extends beyond immediate anxiety. Studies by Marks et al. (2021) demonstrate how this approach can lead to decreased sense of efficacy and increased eco-anxiety among young people.

The issue of intergenerational justice comes sharply into focus when we examine how politicians and celebrities often praise the ‘next generation’ as planetary saviours while avoiding accountability for damage done over past decades. Burke et al. (2022) show that this transfer of responsibility to future generations, while current decision-makers avoid action, creates significant psychological distress in young people. This shifting of responsibility,

especially through individual behaviour change programmes, can drive climate anxiety and lead to feelings of anger and apathy.

To address these challenges, schools can create structured opportunities for students to engage with decision-makers. This means enabling young people to ask, demand, and persuade adults to take meaningful action on climate change, whether those adults are school leaders, community representatives, or politicians. Such engagement requires real frameworks and opportunities within the school, supported by senior management and governors who are willing to commit resources and take action.

Connection with local action groups plays a crucial role in building hope and agency. Schools should actively seek partnerships that create opportunities for classes to take collective action, or bring individuals and organisations into schools to demonstrate how adults are making a difference. As Ojala (2012) emphasises, exposure to examples of hope, whether through curriculum case studies or visiting speakers, is vital for maintaining student engagement and well-being.

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Developing agency

Agency in climate and ocean action manifests in two distinct forms. External agency involves creating tangible opportunities for students to take action, advocate, organize events, and engage with decision-makers. Equally important is internal agency - creating spaces and mechanisms for students' concerns to be heard and acknowledged, whether through discussion forums, feedback walls, or other channels of expression. Stevenson et al. (2019) highlight how this dual approach to agency can help build lasting environmental engagement while supporting emotional well-being.

The My School ACTS Framework provides a structured approach to climate and ocean action:

- **Advocate** - we ask those responsible to make the change
- **Compassion** - we act with compassion towards others and the world, even if we disagree with them
- **Together** - we celebrate coming together to take collective action
- **Solutions** - we think of new ways of doing things that decrease harm to people and the planet

This framework can be embedded within broader school structures that support both action and well-being. Schools should establish clear pathways for student advocacy while ensuring appropriate emotional support is available. This might involve dedicated time for environmental initiatives, clear channels for student voice, and regular opportunities for community engagement.

The role of community connections cannot be overstated. Regular interaction with environmental practitioners, partnerships with local action groups, and meaningful involvement of parents and governors all help create a supportive ecosystem for climate education. These connections help demonstrate that action is possible and that young people are not alone in their concerns about environmental challenges.

Success in climate and ocean education requires careful balance. While we must be honest about environmental challenges, we should also ensure that young people feel supported rather than overwhelmed. Through structured support, meaningful agency, and clear pathways for action, educators can help students engage with these crucial issues while maintaining their emotional well-being.

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FURTHER READING

Addressing climate change in the classroom

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