

## 2012 Secondary One Singapore Schools Exam Paper

Mathematics curriculum, which is often a focus in education reforms, has not received extensive research attention until recently. Ongoing mathematics curriculum changes in many education systems call for further research and sharing of effective curriculum policies and practices that can help lead to the improvement of school education. This book provides a unique international perspective on diverse curriculum issues and practices in different education systems, offering a comprehensive picture of various stages along curriculum transformation from the intended to the achieved, and showing how curriculum changes in various stages contribute to mathematics teaching and learning in different educational systems and cultural contexts. The book is organized to help readers learn not only from reading individual chapters, but also from reading across chapters and sections to explore broader themes, including identifying what is important in mathematics for teaching and learning in different education systems; Understanding mathematics curriculum and its changes that are valued over time in different education systems; Identifying and analyzing effective curricular practices; Probing effective infrastructure for curriculum development and implementation. Mathematics Curriculum in School Education brings new insights into curriculum policies and practices to the international community of mathematics education, with 29 chapters and four section prefaces contributed by 56 scholars from 14 different education systems. This rich collection is indispensable reading for mathematics educators, researchers, curriculum developers, and graduate students interested in learning about recent curriculum development, research, and practices in different education systems. It will help readers to reflect on curriculum policies and practices in their own education systems, and also inspire them to identify and further explore new areas of curriculum research for improving mathematics teaching and learning.

The number of English-medium international schools that deliver their curriculum wholly or partly in the English language reportedly reached 6,000 in January 2012. It is anticipated this number will rise to over 11,000 schools by 2022, employing over 500,000 English-speaking teachers. The number of children being taught in these schools reportedly reached 3 million in March 2012. Alongside this phenomenal growth the landscape of international schooling has changed fundamentally, moving away from largely serving the children of the expat and globally mobile business community and Embassies, towards serving the 'local' children of the wealthy and emerging middle-class. This has been reflected in the shift away from non-profit ownership by the school community towards ownership by for-profit companies and proprietors. In this book, Tristan Bunnell explores the changing landscape of international schooling and discusses the implications of these changes, both in terms of theoretically mobilizing the scale, nature and purpose of the field, and in terms of practically serving and administering the growing industry that international education is becoming. The Changing Landscape of International Schooling will be worthwhile reading for researchers, academics and students of international schooling, leaders and teachers in international schools, and those interested in the broader development of international education.

This book is undertaken by the author who has personally walked the journey of a classroom teacher, middle leader and school principal in the Singapore education system. It is a culmination of two research projects undertaken in two phases -- the first is derived from the PhD Thesis entitled The Making of School Principals in Singapore and the second is based on interviews with school principals who have retired from the Singapore education system. Both research projects provide invaluable input to describe the four career phases of school leadership, that is, formation, accession, incumbency, and divestiture. This research describes how the formative years of a school principal have tremendous impact on who the principal is, and how the values and beliefs of an aspiring/potential school leader serve to guide him/her in taking on the principalship post. This well-structured book is both exploratory and descriptive. It provides the necessary background for anyone interested in understanding school leadership as a career. More specifically, it will be of value to educators and stakeholders interested in understanding the nature of school leadership in the Singapore education system. Contents: Introduction The Singapore Education System Literature Review Research Methodology and Design The Formative Years Accession: On Becoming a School

Principal Incumbency Divestiture Discussion Conclusion Readership: Researchers, students and the general public who are interested to understand the nature of school leadership in the Singapore education system. Keywords: Principalship-School Leadership-Case Studies-Singapore Education System-Teaching Career-Review. Key Features: This book is written from the perspectives of a practitioner researcher. The author has served as a classroom teacher, school leader and a Singapore education system trainer and people developer in school leadership programmes in the National Institute of Education, NTU. The life stories of school leaders and retired principals will be informative to serving principals. The life stories of first time principals and experienced school leaders can be useful for teaching aspiring middle leaders and school principals. This comprehensive handbook is the ultimate reference work, providing authoritative and international overviews of all aspects of schools and schooling in Asia. Split into 19 sections, it covers curriculum, learning and assessment, private supplementary tutoring, special education, gender issues, ethnic minority education and LGBTQI students in Asian schools. The volume displays the current state of the scholarship for schools and schooling in Asia including emerging, controversial and cutting-edge contributions using a thematic approach. The content offers a broad sweep of the region with a focus on theoretical, cultural and political issues as well as identifying educational issues and priorities, such as curricular, assessment, teacher education, school leadership, etc., all of which impact students and learning in multiple ways. The Routledge International Handbook of Schools and Schooling in Asia brings together experts in each area to contribute their knowledge, providing a multidimensional and rich view of the issues confronting the region's school and education systems.

Handbook of Research on Program Development and Assessment Methodologies in K-20 Education

Implications for Theory and Practice

First Amendment Conundrums

Global Perspectives in Comparative Education

Quadrilingual Education in Singapore

School Mathematics Curricula

Resources, Policies and Practices

This textbook is for prospective teachers of middle school mathematics. It reflects on the authors' experience in offering various mathematics education courses to prospective teachers in the US and Canada. In particular, the content can support one or more of 24-semester-hour courses recommended by the Conference Board of the Mathematical Sciences (2012) for the mathematical preparation of middle school teachers. The textbook integrates grade-appropriate content on all major topics in the middle school mathematics curriculum with international recommendations for teaching the content, making it relevant for a global readership. The textbook emphasizes the inherent connections between mathematics and real life, since many mathematical concepts and procedures stem from common sense, something that schoolchildren intuitively possess. This focus on teaching formal mathematics with reference to real life and common sense is essential to its pedagogical approach. In addition, the textbook stresses the importance of being able to use technology as an exploratory tool, and being familiar with its strengths and limitations. In closing, the textbook addresses the issue of creativity as a crucial aspect of education in the digital age in general, and in mathematics education in particular.

This new book provides a comprehensive overview of school leadership in Malaysia, at a time when effective leadership is widely recognised to be an essential component of successful schools. It is also timely because leadership is regarded as a vital element in the Government's ambitious educational reform agenda. The book is edited by a world leader in this field and includes contributors with deeply embedded understanding of the Malaysian schools' context, based on engagement with policy, practice and research. The book addresses major aspects of school leadership, including instructional and distributed leadership, the role of the principal, the work of senior and middle leaders, professional learning communities, leadership and student outcomes, and leadership preparation. This book is essential reading for postgraduate students and researchers interested in educational leadership and management, and school reform, in an Asian context. It is also recommended for school leaders wishing to engage with policy, practice and research.

The Really Useful Physical Education Book offers support, guidance and practical ideas for effective, innovative and imaginative physical education lessons. Underpinned by easy-to-understand theory, this second edition is fully updated in line with the National Curriculum for Physical Education at Key Stages 3 and 4 and provides a wide range of high-quality lessons alongside engaging teaching examples and methodologies. With an emphasis on inclusive physical education, it highlights the ways in which schools can re-design the curriculum to ensure maximum enjoyment for all pupils. Key topics covered include:
! Planning, progression and assessment
! Health and safety issues
! Inclusive track and field athletics
! Adapting activities to support SEND
! Swimming and water-based activities
! Alternative activities including street-surfing and combat sports
! Introducing dance into the curriculum
! Enjoyable gymnastics for physical literacy
! On-site adventurous activities
! Values-based teaching
! Teaching accredited awards
! Using new and emerging technologies
The Really Useful Physical Education Book offers essential advice and inspiration for both trainee and practising teachers responsible for the 11-16 age range. It is a must-read for all those who want to make their lesson inclusive and fun whilst promoting a healthy lifestyle and enthusiasm for lifelong activity.

This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the European Conference on Information Literacy, ECIL 2013, held in Istanbul Turkey, in October 2013. The 73 revised full papers presented together with two keynotes, 9 invited papers and four doctoral papers were carefully reviewed and selected from 236 submissions. The papers are organized in topical sections on overview and research; policies and strategies; theoretical framework; related concepts; citizenship and digital divide; disadvantaged groups; information literacy for the workplace and daily life; information literacy in Europe; different approaches to information literacy; teaching and learning information literacy; information literacy instruction; assessment of information literacy; information literacy and K-12; information literacy and higher education; information literacy skills of LIS students; librarians, libraries and ethics.

Developing Deep Knowledge in Middle School Mathematics

What Can PISA 2012 Data Tell Us?

Teaching Chinese Language in Singapore

People-Making and Nation-Building

Cultural Teaching and Development

An International Comparison

Climate Change Education

This global collection brings a new perspective to the field of comparative education by presenting trust, capacity and accountability as the three building blocks of education systems and education system reform. In exploring how these three factors relate to student learning outcomes across different international contexts, this book provides a powerful framework for a more equal system. Drawing upon research and case studies from scholars, policymakers and experts from international agencies across five continents, this book shows how trust, capacity and accountability interact in ways and with consequences that vary among countries, pointing readers towards understanding potential leverage points for system change. Trust, Accountability, and Capacity in Education System Reform illuminates how these three concepts are embedded in an institutional context temporally, socially and institutionally and offers an analysis that will be of use to researchers, policymakers and agencies working in comparative education and towards education system reform. Chapter 11 of this book is freely available as a downloadable Open Access PDF under a Creative Commons Attribution 2.0 Generic license available at http://www.taylorfrancis.com/books/e/9780429344855

Climate change is a controversial topic; some people assert that climate change is not occurring, and others believe that reports are inaccurate, that whilst climate change is happening, it may not be caused by human activity. There are also climate alarmists who use IPCC reports to support their claims that erratic weather patterns are a result of climate change caused by human activity. Regardless of these different viewpoints, one fact can be agreed upon: climate change is a complex subject and there is a need to educate future generations, enabling them to deal with the plethora of information and views that they will experience in their lives. This book explores what education for climate change entails, discussing the concept of Climate Change Education (CCE) itself, how it can be taught in schools and how public education can be carried out. It instructs what specific subject matter to teach for CCE, and how to evaluate the student learning on the subject. Chapters include: CCE in the Formal Curriculum Teacher readiness for CCE Assessment for and of CCE Lessons from CCE for Public Education Climate Change Education is an extremely useful resource for anyone involved in educating students on climate change and also for those interested in climate change itself.

As the educational system continues to evolve, it is essential that educators of today devise innovative and strategic approaches to program development and assessment. The Handbook of Research on Program Development and Assessment Methodologies in K-20 Education is an essential reference source for the latest terminology and concepts related to program development. Featuring extensive coverage on a broad range of topics such as cognitive diagnostic assessments, self-directed learning, and digital education, this publication is ideally designed for educators, students, program designers, and librarians seeking current research on inventive strategies and practices to enhance education in the 21st century.

This book identifies the cultural and moral foundations of country-specific educational governance and school leadership and presents the principles of justice and the diversity of common goods that guide leadership practices in schools. It contributes to an existing research field that studies diversity and ethical leadership in schools. The social dimension of school leadership is not limited to issues related to equality and equity, or social inclusion. The capacity of leaders to promote civic-mindedness and social cooperation, consensus and acceptance of others, the right balance between freedom and duties, and reciprocity of obligations, are essential to maintain democratic rights and facilitate the life together while respecting ethnic and cultural differences. Therefore, the book gathers contributions from a range of international authors capable of reporting these moral and cultural features, while broadening the research perspectives on school leadership.

IB World Schools Yearbook 2012

Transforming Turnaround Schools in China

Worldwide Commonalities and Challenges in Information Literacy Research and Practice

Trust, Accountability and Capacity in Education System Reform

‘ Out of School ’ Ethnic Minority Young People in Hong Kong

Pedagogical Innovation in Language Education

Secondary Education and the Raising of the School-Leaving Age

This book arises from research conducted through Singapore Institute of Education on such topics as integrating knowledge building pedagogies into Singaporean classrooms, with both students and teachers across school levels, from primary schools to high schools. Additionally, international scholars contribute research on theories of knowledge creation, methodological foundations of research on knowledge creation, knowledge creation pedagogies in classrooms and knowledge creation work involving educators. The book is organized in two sections. Section A focuses on theoretical, methodological and methodological issues, where sources of justification for claims are predominantly theories and relevant literature, though empirical evidence is used extensively in one chapter. Section B reports knowledge creation practices in schools, with teachers, students or both; the key sources of justification for claims are predominantly empirical evidence and narratives of experience. The editor asserts that schools should focus on developing students' capacity and disposition in knowledge creation work; at the same time, leaders and teachers alike should continue to develop their professional knowledge as a community. In the knowledge building vernacular, the chapters are knowledge artifacts – artifacts that not only document the findings of the editors and authors, but that also mediate future advancement in this area of research work. The ultimate aim of the book is to inspire new ideas, and to illuminate the path for researchers of similar interest in knowledge creation in education.

Teaching Secondary and Middle School Mathematics combines the latest developments in research, standards, and technology with a vibrant writing style to help teachers prepare for the excitement and challenges of teaching secondary and middle school mathematics today. In the fully revised fifth edition, scholar and mathematics educator Daniel Brahier invites teachers to investigate the nature of the mathematics curriculum and reflect on research-based “best practices” as they define and sharpen their own personal teaching styles. The fifth edition has been updated and expanded with a particular emphasis on the continued impact of the Common Core State Standards for Mathematics and NCTM’s just-released Principles to Actions, as well as increased attention to teaching with technology, classroom management, and differentiated instruction. Features include: A full new Chapter 7 on selection and use of specific tools and technology combined with “Spotlight on Technology” features throughout clearly illustrate the practical aspects of how technology can be used for teaching or professional development.

Foundational Chapters 1 and 2 on the practices and principles of mathematics education have been revised to build directly on Common Core State Standards for Mathematics and Principles to Actions, with additional references to both documents throughout all chapters. A new Chapter 4 focuses on the use of standards in writing objectives and organizing lesson plan resources while an updated Chapter 5 details each step of the lesson planning process. A fully revised Chapter 12 provides new information on teaching diverse populations and outlines specific details and suggestions for classroom management for mathematics teachers. Classroom Dialogues™ features draws on the author’s 35-year experience as an educator to present real-world teacher-student conversations about specific mathematical problems or ideas “How Would You React?” features prepares future teachers for real-life scenarios by engaging them in common classroom situations and offering tried-and-true solutions. With more than 60 practical, classroom-tested teaching ideas, sample lesson and activities, Teaching Secondary and Middle School Mathematics combines the best of theory and practice to provide clear descriptions of what it takes to be an effective teacher of mathematics.

The Handbook of Critical Literacies aims to answer the timely question: what are the social responsibilities of critical literacy academics, researchers, and teachers in today’s world? Critical literacies are classically understood as ways to interrogate texts and contexts to address injustices and they are an essential literacy practice. Organized into thematic and regional sections, this handbook provides substantive definitions of critical literacies across fields and geographies, surveys of critical literacy work in over 23 countries and regions, and overviews of research, practice, and conceptual connections to established and emerging theoretical frameworks. The chapters on global critical literacy practices include research on language acquisition, the teaching of literature and English language arts, Youth Participatory Action Research, environmental justice movements, and more. This pivotal handbook enables new and established researchers to position their studies within highly relevant directions in the field and engage, organize, disrupt, and build as we work for more sustainable social and material relations. A groundbreaking text, this book shares the role of school leadership in Singapore, with case studies from selected schools, that provides some insights on how Singapore delivers a high-quality education that had led to it achieving high rankings in TIMMS and PISA. This book will provide both the historical and present contexts of changes in the education system, school leadership and teacher leadership in Singapore that made it what it is today. It will distil some universal principles of educational change that school leaders and policy makers can apply in bringing about educational changes that will enhance the learning experiences of students and prepare them for future challenges.

Singapore School Principals: Leadership Stories

Diversifying Schools

Mathematics Curriculum in School Education

The Really Useful Physical Education Book

Education in Singapore

The Changing Landscape of International Schooling

Performance and Challenges in Five Participating Southeast Asian Countries

This is the first book regarding the issues of PISA that has been published with respect to the Southeast Asian region. It is hoped that the content of this book can benefit and provide greater understanding for readers of several important aspects: (a) country performance in PISA 2012 for each participating Southeast Asian country, (b) the need for international comparative studies from the perspective at all levels of the teaching and learning process, (c) equity and quality of education, (d) how PISA impacts on policy making, and (e) the initiatives and future directions, and challenges to improve PISA performance in the future cycles of the PISA Studies. The major issues raised in this book warrant investigation and reporting to all countries of the World, including not only those countries that were engaged in PISA 2012, but also to the approximately 200 countries that are currently in the United Nations Organisation. In these regards, the readership of this book could be extended to the educators, officers from the ministries of education, researchers, policy makers, practising teachers, lecturers in universities and teacher training institutes, postgraduate students, as well as both primary and secondary school principals and teachers.

This fourth volume of PISA 2012 results examines how student performance is associated with various characteristics of individual schools and school systems.

The story of Korean education over the past 50 years is one of remarkable growth and achievement. Korea is one of the top performing countries in the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) survey and among those with the highest ...

This book sheds light on school mathematics curricula in Asian countries, including their design and the recent reforms that have been initiated. By discussing and analyzing various problematic aspects of curricula development and implementation in a number of East and South Asian countries and offering insights into these countries’ unique approaches to supplementing school mathematics curricula, it contributes to shaping effective policies for implementation, assessment and monitoring of curricula. The book covers a wide range of issues: curriculum design, localization of curricula, directions of curricular reforms, mathematics textbooks, assessment within the curriculum and teachers’ professional development, which are of interest to a wide international audience.

Learning and teaching across the 11-16 age range

The Power of Paradoxes

Approaches, Challenges and Achievements

Mathematics Education in Singapore

Insights from Australia and Implications Globally

Readings for Reflective Teaching in Schools

Leadership For Change: The Singapore Schools' Experience

Learning from Singapore tells the inside story of the country’s journey in transforming its education system from a struggling one to one that is hailed internationally as effective and successful. It is a story not of the glory of international test results, but of the hard work and tenacity of a few generations of policy makers, practitioners and teacher trainers. Despite its success, Singapore continues to reform its education system, and is willing to deal with difficult issues and challenges of change. Citing Singapore’s transformation, author Pak Tee Ng highlights how context and culture affect education policy formulation and implementation. Showing how difficult education reform can be when a system needs to negotiate between competing philosophies, significant trade-offs, or paradoxical positions, this book explores the successes and struggles of the Singapore system and examines its future direction and areas of tension. The book also explores how national education systems can be strengthened by embracing the creative tensions generated by paradoxes such as the co-existence of timely change and timeless constants, centralisation and decentralisation, meritocracy and compassion, and teaching less and learning more. Learning from Singapore brings to the world the learning from Singapore—what Singapore has learned from half a century of educational change—and encourages every education system to bring hope to and secure a future for the next generation.

In recent years, a conservative majority of the U.S. Supreme Court, over vigorous dissents, has developed circumsventions to the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment that allow state legislatures unabashedly to use public tax dollars increasingly to aid private elementary and secondary education. This expansive and innovative legislation provides considerable governmental funds to support parochial schools and other religiously-affiliated education providers. That political response to the perceived declining quality of traditional public schools and the vigorous school choice movement for alternative educational opportunities provokes passionate constitutional controversy. Yet, the Court’s recent decision in Arizona Christian School Tuition Organization v. Winn inappropriately denies taxpayers recourse to challenge these proliferating tax funding schemes in federal courts. Professors Winer and Crimm clearly elucidate the complex and controversial policy, legal, and constitutional issues involved in using tax expenditures - mechanisms such as exclusions, deductions, and credits that economically function as government subsidies - to finance private, religious schooling. The authors argue that legislatures must take great care in structuring such programs and set forth various proposals to ameliorate the highly troubling dissent and divisiveness generated by state aid for religious education.

The aggressive raising of the school leaving age has had momentous repercussions for our understanding of childhood and youth, for secondary education, and for social and educational inequality. This book assesses secondary education and the raising of the school-leaving age in the UK and places issues and debates in an international context.

This book provides a one-stop resource for mathematics educators, policy makers and all who are interested in learning more about the why, what and how of mathematics education in Singapore. The content is organized according to three significant and closely interrelated components: the Singapore mathematics curriculum, mathematics teacher education and professional development, and learners in Singapore mathematics classrooms. Written by leading researchers with an intimate understanding of Singapore mathematics education, this up-to-date book reports the latest trends in Singapore mathematics classrooms, including mathematical modelling and problem solving in the real-world context.

Mathematics Instructional Practices in Singapore Secondary Schools

Coming of Age?

Strong Performers and Successful Reformers in Education Lessons from PISA for Korea

Digital technologies in agriculture and rural areas

Sustainability Matters

Contemporary School Playground Strategies for Healthy Students

Knowing, doing and being

*This book discusses distinctive features of the professional learning community concept, practices and processes across six different education systems in the Asia-Pacific region, namely Mainland China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, South Korea, Singapore, and the United States. It provides a platform for an exchange of different perspectives and offers alternative possibilities of theorizing professional learning communities across different socio-cultural contexts. Contributors provide valuable insights for policy makers, education researchers and educators in the Asia-Pacific region and elsewhere to deal with critical questions about the improvement of teaching and learning and school improvement in a globalizing world. This book was originally published as a special issue of the Asia Pacific Journal of Education.*

*This report aims to identify the different scenarios where the process of digital transformation is taking place in agriculture. This identifies those aspects of basic conditions, such as those of infrastructure and networks, affordability, education and institutional support. In addition, enablers are identified, which are the factors that allow adopting and integrating changes in the production and decision-making processes. Finally identify through cases, existing literature and reports how substantive changes are taking place in the adoption of digital technologies in agriculture.*

*This book provides a holistic picture of how Chinese turnaround schools have been remarkably improved over the years and to arouse further discussion in this regard. It contributes to the understanding of school improvement from a Chinese cultural perspective, solidifies the knowledge basis of school change theories, and expands the understanding of educational administration and policies in China.*

*This book offers a comprehensive overview of 'out of school' ethnic minority young people in Hong Kong. The focus is on the extent of the phenomena, reasons behind it and a description of 'out of school' life. Employing qualitative research methods and adopting a case study approach that involved fieldwork comprising 15 in-depth interviews and 2 observations with 11 'out of school' ethnic minority young people, this book provides detailed insights into the phenomena. Information gained from an additional 22 in-depth interviews with 20 other stakeholders related to ethnic minority education, from time spent at three schools and key document analysis are also incorporated. Drawing on critical race theory, this book presents a critical discussion of the 'out of school' issue for ethnic minority young people in a privileged Chinese context.*

Asian Perspectives and Glimpses of Reform

Teaching Secondary and Middle School Mathematics

Status report

Policy, Research and Practice

Global Perspectives on Developing Professional Learning Communities

School Leadership in Malaysia

European Conference, ECIL 2013, Istanbul, Turkey, October 22-25, 2013. Revised Selected Papers

This book is a research guide for implementing contemporary playground strategies to promote active, healthy students. A number of school playground strategies have succeeded in reducing the decline in students' activity levels by introducing equipment and policies that encourage further engagement. The book outlines these strategies and ideas and offers insights into their multiple levels of influence on engaging students in school playground activities that can promote student health. It also discusses previous investigations into the effect of playground strategies on students' activities and the differences between structured and unstructured playground activities; investigations that have explored the translatability and feasibility of specific school playground strategies and potential recommendations for future school playground research. It also provides observations on the features students desire in their playgrounds and what features are important in terms of safe activities, enjoyment levels, which in turn offers suggestions for future research directions.

This book explores Singapore's language education system. Unlike previous volumes, which discuss the bilingual requirement for learning, it focuses on Singapore's quadrilingual system, bringing together articles on each of the four languages – English, Mandarin, Malay and Tamil – as well as articles that examine more than one language. It highlights past successes, current concerns, and future directions for language education. The book focuses on classroom pedagogy in all four official languages, showcasing how languages are taught and learned in Singapore as a basis for better understanding the system 'from the inside out.' The authors present empirical, classroom-based studies on language pedagogy in all four languages, as well as updated information on the current socio-political context and how it has influenced attempts at pedagogical innovation. Consideration is given to the dialectical relationship between policy and practice. The chapters also include discussions of pre-school-age learning, influences of language policy, home literacy practices, and commentaries by international language-in-education scholars. This approach also provides a basis for international comparison – especially for those who are interested in fostering English proficiency while maintaining one or more national languages. The volume is particularly important in light of the continuing international efforts to integrate English into national educational systems where it is not the dominant language.

This book addresses growing reservations about the relevance of educational systems to the economic and social needs of individuals by examining different aspects of transitions from school to work or further studies within formal and informal settings in Asia. Highlighting important issues such as selectiveness and inclusiveness, integration of transversal competencies, vocationalisation of secondary schooling, approaches to career guidance and emerging models of student support, it is of particular interest to educators, policymakers and other stakeholders who are concerned about the effectiveness of system-wide and institutional-based approaches. The first part of the book explores different models, mechanisms and approaches to policy and practice in the context of Asia, while the second part examines Hong Kong students' transitions to post-school life and provides an account of issues and challenges the government and individual schools experience in terms of structural support for both mainstream and special-needs students.

This book discusses the strategies that the Singapore Education System has embarked to encourage school change and innovations. It documents the change journey of Specialized Schools and Future Schools in Singapore with a view to understand the key tenets that enable school wide change and reform. The intents for change and reform are to anchor the education system to the basic foundations and principles of education and yet enable the system as a whole to be malleable to change and globalization. It shows how Singapore enables diversity within a structured environment through innovations in Specialized and Future Schools, and highlights the systemic rationale behind various efforts in Specialized and Future Schools and the kinds of adaptations schools have made to leverage structures and make adjustments for their contexts. .

Transitions to Post-School Life

Knowledge Creation in Education

A Textbook for Teaching in the Age of Technology

The Handbook of Critical Literacies  
Systemic Catalysts for Educational Innovations in Singapore  
The Cultural and Social Foundations of Educational Leadership  
Education in South-East Asia

*Sustainability Matters* is a compilation of some of the best research papers by students from the National University of Singapore's multi-disciplinary and inter-disciplinary graduate programme in environmental studies, the M.Sc. in Environmental Management (MEM). This collection is for the period 2012/2013 and 2013/2014. Entitled *Sustainability Matters: Environmental and Climate Changes in the Asia-Pacific*, this is the fifth compilation by the programme, and comprises 19 of the best research papers completed during this period. The papers have been edited for brevity. They analyse the many challenges to effective environmental management covering countries including Bangladesh, Hong Kong, India, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and the US. Issues examined include biodiversity conservation, environmental impact assessments, energy, food security, sustainable business practices, public housing, environmental education, and climate change. The first compilation, *Sustainability Matters: Environmental Management in Asia* was published in 2010 (World Scientific) and comprised the best papers from 2001/2002 to 2006/2007. The second, *Sustainability Matters: Challenges and Opportunities in Environmental Management in Asia* was published in 2011 (Pearson), and comprised the best papers from 2007/2008 and 2008/2009. The third and fourth compilations (World Scientific) comprised the best papers from the period 2009/2010 to 2011/2012. The papers are edited by five staff members from different disciplines in the MEM programme: Lye Lin-Heng, Victor R Savage, Kua Harn-Wei, Chou Loke-Ming and Tan Puay-Yok. Contents: Preface and Acknowledgements, Lye Lin-Heng, Chair, MEM Message from Goh Swee-Chen, Chairperson, Shell Companies in Singapore Message from Tommy Koh, Chairman, MEM Advisory Committee, NUS Message from Heng Chee-Kiang, Dean, School of Design and Environment, NUS About the Authors About the Supervisors and Editors Introduction: Environmental and Climate Changes in Asia: Lessons in history and game changers in economics, politics and scientific research (Victor R Savage, Lye Lin-Heng, Kua Harn-Wei, Chou Loke-Ming & Tan Puay-Yok) Biodiversity: Understanding Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB) Occurrences in Manila Bay, Philippines (Rosa Celia Poguita-Du & Peter Alan Todd) CITES Legislative Implementation: Lessons from and for ASEAN Member States (Denise Cheong & Lye Lin-Heng) Environmental Management: Assessment of Protection against Sea Level Rise: A Case Study of a Coastal Area in Singapore (Efsthathios Giannouostas and Jesuthason Thampapillai) Water Scarcity to Water Security: How Can Asian Cities Achieve a Sustainable Transition? (Maitreyee Mukherjee, Dennis Wichehns & Namrata Ravindra Chindarkar) Plastic Bags in Singapore: A Critical Examination of Issues in Sustainability (Marra Lin Teasdale-Hensby & Lye Lin-Heng) Environmental Impact Assessment Laws of Malaysia and Hong Kong: Lessons for Singapore (Nidhi Mehra & Lye Lin-Heng) Singapore's Fresh Fork Supply: Food Security and Environmental Impacts (Lim Chien-Fang & Victor R Savage) Green Business: Sustainable & Responsible: The New Face of Indian Businesses (Himadri Mahajan & Audrey Chia) Effectiveness of Sustainable Business Practices: Case Studies of Ready-Made Garment Companies of Bangladesh (Tayef Quader & Audrey Chia) Integrated Policy Design Through Life Cycle Sustainability Assessment: A Case Study of Cotton Garments (ICSA Of Cotton T-shirt) (Thida Tun & Kua Harn-Wei) Sustainability Issues and Strategies of Biofuel Development in Southeast Asia (Malika d/o Napusan) Urban Studies: Energy Efficiency in Affordable Housing: Can It Work for Independent Rental Owners (Julia Emerson & George Ofori) The Potential and Benefits of an Incentive System to Promote Environmentally Friendly Behaviour in Residents of HDB Flats (Koh Kai-Jie & Grace K M Wong) A Review of Environmental Education in Singapore – Towards a Change in Approach (Ang Guorong Albert & Audrey Chia) Environmental Literacy among Secondary Three Students in a Singapore Secondary School (Loo Hui-Min & Harvey Neo) Climate Change: Possible Market Mechanisms for the Post-Kyoto Regime (Ellen May Zanoria Reyes) Past and Contemporary Proposals on Differentiation and Equity: Shaping the 2015 Climate Agreement (Melissa Low & Lim Lei-Theng) Mitigating the Environmental Impact of Aircraft Emissions through an Economic Theory – The Endowment Effect (Zhang Qiang) Readership: Graduate students, academics and researchers in environmental management/science.

**Keywords:** Environment; Management; Sustainability; Asia; Corporate Environmental Management; Biodiversity and Planning; Marine Environment; Environment and Economic Development; Energy Sustainability; Renewable Energy; Urban Pollution and Waste Management; Sustainable Infrastructure; Transportation; Recycling; Urban Studies; Green Business  
This book offers a detailed look into the how and what of mathematics instruction in Singapore. It presents multiple aspects of mathematics instruction in schools, ranging from the unique instructional core, practices that promote mastery, development of conceptual knowledge through learning experiences, nurturing of positive attitudes, self-regulation of learning and development and use of instructional materials for making connections across mathematical ideas, developing mathematical reasoning, and developing fluency in applying mathematical knowledge in problem solving. The book presents a methodology that is successful in documenting classroom instruction in a comprehensive manner. The research findings illuminate instruction methods that are culturally situated, robust and proven to impact student learning. It demonstrates how a unique data source can be analysed through multiple lenses and provides readers with a rich portrait of how the school mathematics instruction is enacted in Singapore secondary schools.

This book focuses on the phenomenon of a '21st century curriculum' and its role in preparing students for work and life in a rapidly changing global knowledge society. Its context is the global and diverse national influences on education policy agendas. The central concepts in the academic literature that underpins the phenomenon are globalisation, curriculum, and policy. The analysis spans global influences on the development of '21st century curriculum' policy, the construction of such policy at the national and State levels in Australia, and the enactment of such policy in three select case-study schools and in relation to which both similarities and differences are identified. The global to local span and the international relevance of the exposition are both revisited to highlight major findings, to discuss them in relation to recent literature and to offer propositions about '21st century curriculum' development that are of wide interest and relevance. Recommendations for policy and practice as well as possible future directions for research in the field follow.

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