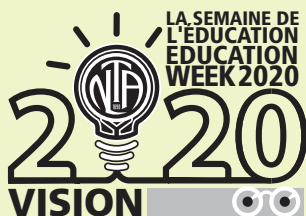


EDUCATION WEEK 2020 LA SEMAINE DE L'ÉDUCATION



20/20 VISION  
VISION 20/20

# Resource Book

MARCH 8–14 MARS 2020

# A Message to Teachers from NLTA President Dean Ingram



Dear Colleague,

Education Week has always been about celebrating education and the importance of learning. This year's theme is "20/20 Vision • Vision 20/20".

"20/20 Vision" is a term generally used to express normal visual acuity (the clarity of sharpness of vision) measured at a distance of 20 feet. If you have 20/20 vision, you can see clearly at 20 feet what should normally be seen at that distance. This year's theme does not necessarily mean you have perfect vision. It simply means that vision animates, inspires and can transform purpose into action. The start of a new year, 2020, and another decade is a time to plan, dream and learn and envision all that you can be.

Education Week can be an enriching experience for students, teachers and parents. We encourage primary and elementary teachers to continue their practice of observing this week with their students. We especially encourage intermediate and high school students to become involved in the week as it presents an exciting opportunity to promote school spirit. Our students have much to contribute and would grow and learn from their involvement in Education Week activities.

Our sincere thanks to all those who have assisted in planning Education Week. We value the input of our fellow educators and assure you that your efforts are appreciated.

We trust you will find this resource to be useful and that your activities during Education Week and every week of the school year are truly a celebration of education. *Have a great week!*

Sincerely yours,

Dean Ingram  
President

# SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES

## Picture Prompt

Show students an image and ask them to take turns pointing out unique aspects of it, or how it makes them feel. Students can then discuss each other's findings.

## Pass the Pointer

Students take turns pointing out areas of a complex image. They share questions and insights.

## Private Facebook Discussion Groups

Instead of traditional forums, allow students to interact in a private, controlled Facebook group. Teachers can regularly post topic ideas.

## Report from the Field w/ Twitter

Ask students to report in on a current event they're participating in via Twitter. Organize the conversation with a unique hashtag.

(Source: [educationtechnologysolutions.com/2019/04/2020-vision-for-interactive-learning-in-tomorrows-classroom/](http://educationtechnologysolutions.com/2019/04/2020-vision-for-interactive-learning-in-tomorrows-classroom/))

## Musical Vision

Have students do an internet search for songs with the word "vision" or "2020" in them. Have them analyze the songs and how/if they relate to the theme of 20/20 Vision.

## Goal Setting

Discuss with students, by asking the following questions, how they can use visioning in their goal setting.

- What does it mean to have a goal?
- If we have to move to a new school and someone's goal is to make a new friend, how could they use vision to see their goal achieved in advance?
- How do you use vision to see your goal?
- Think of a goal you have. Can you imagine what you would feel when you achieve that goal?
- How do you celebrate your achievements?
- What does it mean to have a goal that is attainable?

## Vision Board

Create a vision board – cut out pictures of hopes and dreams. Paste onto poster board and decorate. Put your vision board somewhere you can see it.

## Vision Statements

Invite a manager from business and industry to discuss the mission and vision of his/her company, including how the mission and vision are used and shared within the organization.

### **A Day in the Life of...**

Have students keep a detailed log of one day's activities. Then ask them to write a log on one day's activities of a person of their age from 10, 20, 30, 40 years ago and so on.

### **History Repeats Itself**

Have students think of something that happened in history that they would like to have happen again. Have students explain what they would keep the same or change today.

### **To Dream the Impossible Dream**

Have students describe what might seem to be an impossible dream (i.e. travelling to another planet, becoming a brain surgeon, a famous actor etc.). Have them list a course of events or a set of circumstances which might help them to realize such an impossible dream.

### **What Would I Do Without...**

Have students/teachers stop using all forms of modern technology for a day, e.g. calculators, computers, cell phones, scanners, microwaves, etc. Discuss the impact this may have on daily living.

### **Reach Your Goals**

Students should set a goal for the week and make sure they follow through on their goal. Have students seal their goals in an envelope to be opened on a certain date or at the end of the week.

### **My Dreams and Visions**

Write an essay or draw a picture of what your dreams and visions are for your future or your province or your country or the world.

### **The Future**

Pretend that you have time travelled 100 years into the future and that you are the ruler of a present-day country. Write a speech that you would deliver to the people of your country concerning your vision for the future.

### **Hindsight is 20/20**

Have students explore and explain the meaning of "Hindsight is 20/20".

### **Lessons in Life**

The more students know about a given situation, the more information they will have to come up with creative solutions for current problems that may be inducing stress. Have them ask, "What can I learn from this experience?" Have students think of a situation that easily improves how they feel and have them write down the reasons why it makes them feel better.

## **Writing Activity**

Students can write about their upcoming goals for 2020 using a vision sheet with writing lines available on the NLTA website. They could also write three specific goals, share their reasoning for them, and/or provide action steps to reach their goals.

## **Web Resources**

[teachengineering.org/activities/view/cub\\_human\\_lesson06\\_activity1](https://teachengineering.org/activities/view/cub_human_lesson06_activity1)

[classroom.kidshealth.org/classroom/prekto2/body/functions/vision.pdf](https://classroom.kidshealth.org/classroom/prekto2/body/functions/vision.pdf)

[brainden.com/face-illusions.htm](https://brainden.com/face-illusions.htm)

[educatall.com/page/1342/Sense-of-sight.html](https://educatall.com/page/1342/Sense-of-sight.html)

[educationtechnologysolutions.com/2019/04/2020-vision-for-interactive-learning-in-tomorrows-classroom/](https://educationtechnologysolutions.com/2019/04/2020-vision-for-interactive-learning-in-tomorrows-classroom/)

# GOALS FOR KIDS

2019 was...

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2020 will be...

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2020 learning goal #1

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2020 learning goal #2

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A wish for me...

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A wish for the world...

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I can help others by...

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Others can help me by...

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# Suggestions for Planning an Opening/Closing Ceremony

## Opening Ceremonies

- Plan an assembly for your school.
- Have your school choir or singing group sing the Education Week song or a medley of songs about the Education Week theme.
- Invite schools in your district to come together to plan an Opening Ceremony.
- Invite community members, retired teachers, parents, etc. to take part in the Opening Ceremonies.
- Set up a mural in each classroom or one for the entire school to display various activities completed during the opening and theme days throughout the week.
- Have your Teacher Librarian set up a display of materials related to the Education Week theme.
- Select a book or poem that you could read to the class on the day of the Opening Ceremonies.

## Closing Ceremonies

- Have a closing assembly and put together a program of songs, dances, skits, role-plays etc. which students worked on throughout the week.
- Invite parents to the celebration. Students can design their own invitations.
- Set up displays (in your classroom or the school gymnasium) of the projects completed during the week and invite parents to come and view them.
- Visit other classes in the school or visit another school in your area to see how others celebrated Education Week.
- Throughout Education Week, have someone record or take pictures of various activities completed during the week.

