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Lessoncard Guide:



Lesson Overview:

In this overview you can find everything that you need and/or have in your packet to teach about the eight Sustainable Development Goal (SDG): Decent work and economic growth.



Learning Objectives:

- What is required to progress in the current work environment
- What we can do to help boost these different communities
- What they are doing to become better equipped for these work places



Key Objective:

Getting the students into motion so they think about the Sustainable Development Goal and how they can improve themselves to make a contribution to it.



What to find in this lesson card:

- Informational video's
- Questionnaires
- Interesting facts
- An immersive VR experience

Empowering Economies, Enriching Lives: Unpacking Sustainable Development Goal 8

Sustainable Development Goal 8 (SDG 8) is a vital part of the United Nations' 2030 Sustainable Development Goals, aiming to promote long-term, fair, and sustainable economic growth while ensuring decent employment opportunities for all. SDG 8 addresses various challenges, including unemployment and the need for quality jobs that offer dignity and stability.

This goal emphasizes the importance of creating environments where everyone, regardless of their background, can contribute to and benefit from economic growth. It highlights the need for innovation, entrepreneurship support, and equal access to economic opportunities, especially for marginalized groups. By achieving SDG 8, the global community aims to develop economies that grow sustainably, include everyone, and benefit society as a whole.



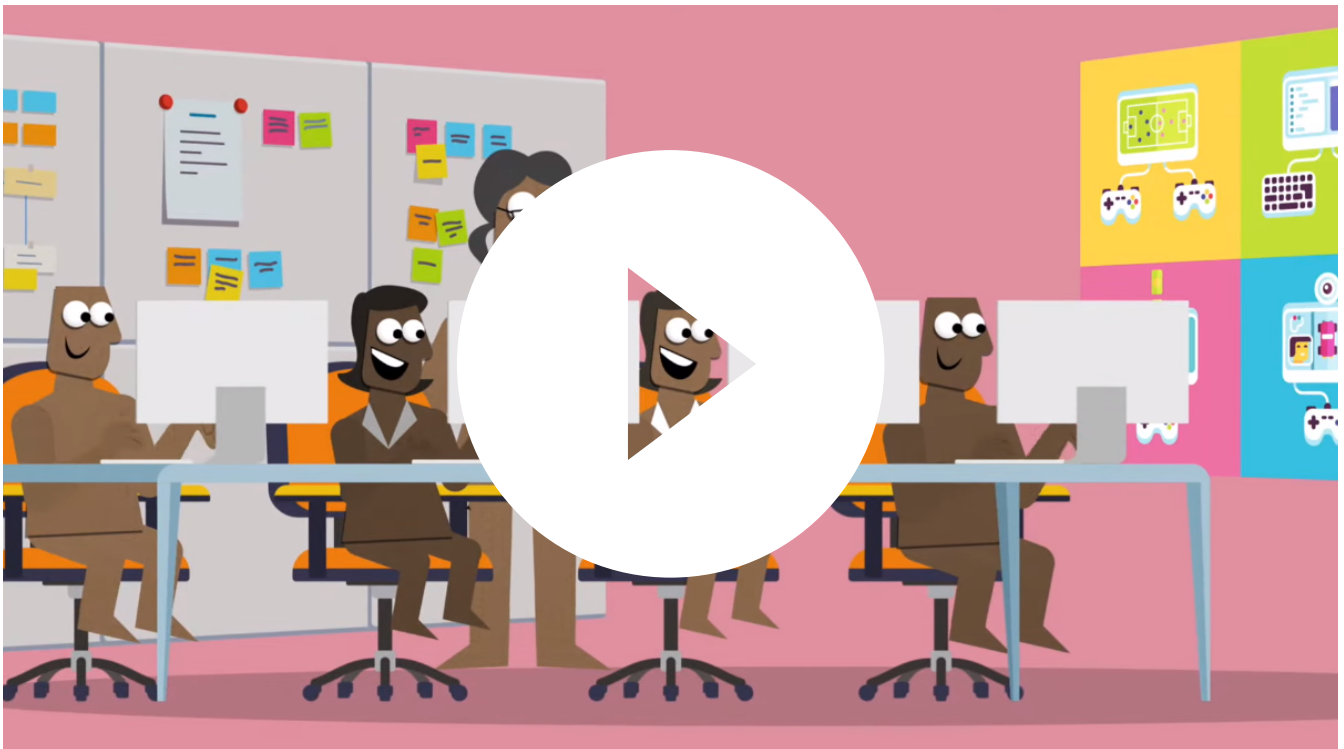
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Learn more: Videos

In an evolving economic environment, the UN aims to achieve safe, inclusive working conditions, and economic growth by 2030. The video showcases the effectiveness of UN programs, such as the revitalization of Idjwi through investments in fishing, which have led to job creation and economic advancement. It stresses the significance of equitable employment and highlights global endeavors by entities like Code Club International, the BBC, and initiatives such as Bharat Net in India. These efforts focus on skill enhancement and ensuring equal access to opportunities, fostering a safer and more inclusive future.



Source: *Understand Goal 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth (Secondary)* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JVBypZdv8qw>





Questions

- How is the United Nations addressing the goal of decent work and economic growth by 2030?
- Can you provide an example of a community, like Idjwi, where UN initiatives have successfully stimulated economic growth and job creation?
- What role do organizations like Code Club International and the BBC play in promoting inclusive employment practices and skills development?
- How are global projects, such as Bharat Net in India, contributing to connecting communities to the Internet and supporting businesses for economic growth?





For more information...



Source: Decent Work and Economic Growth SDG 8
 Sustainable Development Goals for Kids
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lj0JlrIWx2k>



Source: Understand Goal 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth (Primary)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xcZamDv2DZQ>



Source: Sustainable Development Goal 8 - Decent Work and Economic Growth - Suzanna Mahinder
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dyIOM3GY9PY>



Source: SDG 8 Decent Work & Economic Growth - UN Sustainable Development Goals - DEEP DIVE
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZpNz7dn9pXk>

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Did you know?



As per the latest data, the worldwide unemployment rate stands at around 6%, highlighting the ongoing struggle to achieve full and productive employment, a key objective of SDG 8.

A large segment of the global workforce is involved in informal employment, lacking job security, social protection, and suitable working conditions. Tackling informal employment is a central aspect of SDG 8, aiming to guarantee decent work opportunities for everyone.



Youth unemployment continues to be a significant challenge worldwide, with young individuals frequently encountering obstacles when trying to enter the workforce. SDG 8 underscores the significance of generating opportunities for youth employment and skill enhancement to foster a more inclusive and dynamic labor force.





Slavery in the Thai Fishing Industry

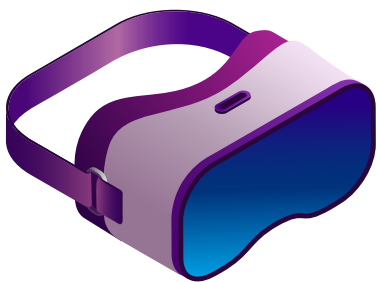
Ghost Fleet VR" video, Toon Lin, a 34-year-old man from Burma, shares his harrowing 11-year ordeal as a slave laborer in the Thai fishing industry. After arriving in Thailand in search of work, he was promised employment but was instead locked in a shipping container with 20 others. Taken to a fishing boat, they faced abuse, beatings, drug use, and dangerous conditions from 5:00 a.m. to midnight. Victims were often trafficked from markets, train stations, or piers and subjected to violence and despair. Toon describes a near-death experience while attempting to free a net from under the boat. Despite escaping to Indonesia with the help of an organization representative, he continues to grapple with the trauma and acknowledges the ongoing plight of other enslaved fishermen in similar conditions

How to get there

Visit the virtual experience by clicking the following link: [Slavery in the Thai Fishing Industry](#) or by scanning the QR code.



Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JUgTdLBzlaU>



Instructions for VR goggles

If you have a VR-headset you can watch this video in VR.

1. Put on VR goggles and open the web browser in the VR-set.
2. Type in or enter the link in the address bar.
3. Look around, listen well and enjoy the video!





Questions

- What are some of the dangers faced by the fishermen on the boat?
- What is Toon Lin's message regarding trafficking victims at the end of the video?
- How does this 360-degree video resonate with you on an emotional level?



What you can do

Support Skill Development Programs: Get involved in initiatives that offer skill development programs, vocational training, and educational opportunities. Partner with educational institutions, participate in mentorship programs, or explore online courses to help individuals acquire the skills needed for meaningful employment.

Promote Inclusive Hiring Practices: Encourage businesses and organizations to adopt inclusive hiring practices that prioritize diversity and equal opportunities for all individuals, regardless of gender, age, ethnicity, or background. Advocate for fair recruitment processes to create a more equitable job market.

Advocate for Decent Working Conditions: Support policies that ensure decent working conditions, fair wages, and safe environments for employees. Promote workplace safety measures, reasonable working hours, and adherence to labor laws to uphold the well-being of workers.

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