

## WHAT IS THE BIG THINK?

The Big Think is an empowering **MASTERY-OF-LIFE-SKILLS** values-themed programme that prepares young citizens for life in modern Britain and the wider world.

It develops thinking, social and emotional competencies that enable children aged 5 to 11 to thrive throughout their school careers and on into their adult lives.



# WHAT DOES THE BIG THINK DO?

The Big Think advances the richness and effectiveness of teaching and learning. This cross-curricular programme allows schools to fulfil their intentions for their pupils. It enhances implementation of the new, statutory Personal Development curriculum, positively impacting the quality of education, children’s behaviour, attitudes, health, wellbeing, relationships and attainment.



EDUCATION COMPONENTS	ELEMENTS	THE BIG THINK	EDUCATION COMPONENTS	ELEMENTS	THE BIG THINK
OFSTED	Quality of Education	✓	PSHE	Health & Wellbeing	✓
	Behaviour & Attitudes	✓		Relationships	✓
	Personal Development	✓		Living in the wider world	✓
	Leadership & Management	✓	Relationships Education	Families & people who care for me	✓
SMSC	Spiritual	✓	Caring friendships	✓	
	Moral	✓	Respectful relationships	✓	
	Social	✓	Online relationships	✓	
	Cultural	✓	Being Safe	✓	
British Values	Democracy	✓	<p><i>“This programme is almost too good to be true. It’s exactly what I’ve been looking for and seems to do everything.”</i></p> <p><i>Headteacher, 10 Oct 2019</i></p>		
	The Rule of Law	✓			
	Individual Liberty	✓			
	Mutual respect & tolerance for those with different faiths & beliefs	✓			

# HOW DOES THE BIG THINK WORK?

For incremental development, there are 88 Assembly kits and lesson plans (44 for ages 5-7 and 44 for ages 7-11) with content for SMSC, British Values, PSHE and Relationships Education schemes of work. Each module comprises 10 action-learning elements, including a contemporary story that opens up exploration of the main topic.



## Lesson Element

**The Big Change**  
**Singing**  
**Journal**  
**Questions**  
**STORY**  
**Dialogue**  
**Inquiry**  
**Quotation**  
**Picture**  
**“Silent Sitting”**

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## Purpose

**Follow-up action**  
**Uniting in song**  
**Self-reflection**  
**Digging deeper**  
**Relating to concerns**  
**Listening & learning**  
**Seeking truth**  
**Making connections**  
**Promoting curiosity**  
**Relaxing**

## Outcomes

Positively impacts:  
 \* Attainment  
 \* Character  
 \* Communication  
 \* Communities  
 \* Happiness  
 \* Home life  
 \* Motivation  
 \* Purpose  
 \* Relationships  
 \* School culture  
 \* Self-esteem  
 \* Wellbeing