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#### Abstract

Gaming in education can stimulate students' engagement and subsequent learning outcomes while scientific research claims that its effectiveness fluctuates with variables, like participant' age and nature of subject matter. The linkage between secondary geographical education and game element implementation is still an open question. Aiming to find some insights in this issue, this study has investigated the effectiveness of different game pedagogies on students' learning outcomes. Experimental lessons with 71 secondary three students were conducted. Students were randomly assigned to experience one of the three pedagogies in learning the theme – national cooperation for climate change. Pedagogies include traditional pedagogy, gamification, and game-based learning. We have found evidence that students' learning motivation increases with increasing game elements, but no regular relationship was found in terms of cognitive learning outcomes. Our results indicate that the effect of games may depend on game design. A mixed pedagogical approach is suggested to maximise both students' motivational and cognitive learning outcomes in geography class.



# Declaration

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### **1. Introduction**

Effective learning is hidden by various factors nowadays. Geography teachers are concerned about reaching teaching schedules under Hong Kong's fully packed and examoriented education system, resulting in standardized and boring classes. Understandably, students are lost in learning, serving it as a burden. Students become low motivated, resulting in low efficacy of geography learning. A vicis cycle occurred in unengaged classes when the bustle geography teacher left students with half-formed concepts. However, learning is a student's duty, whilst getting students to learn is the teacher's role. Student low engagement is widely admitted as a pressing issue by hiding the potential achievement of sound academic learning outcomes (Lee & Hammer, 2011; Ryan & Deci, 2009). To address the problem, arousing students' interests is a prominent key in promoting effective learning. Engaging in gaming in class may have remarkable motivational power by acting as a stimulator in raising the interest in geography concepts.

### 1.1 Overview of geographical education

Geography is a study of human-environmental relationships on places and locations from local to global scales. To be specific, learners initially understand the Earth's diversity with the formation of places and landscapes before investigating interactions between humans and nature. Eventually, they could establish a holistic view on the impacts of human spatial decisions, as well as the interconnected mosaic of cultures and societies (CGE, 1992). In geography education, students are equipped with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes to practice reasonable decisions for the planet in changing times (Chang & Kidman, 2019; Tan & Chang, 2008). In terms of skills, spatial thinking skills and geographical inquiry skills are the main focus. Learners are expected to seek solutions to human and physical geography problems through a series of geographical processes (Artvinli 2020). In terms of value, a sense of geographical dimension is fostered.



#### **1.2 Overview of Gamification**

Gaming raises engagement based on a series of design principles and processes used to motivate individuals in driving behaviours and desired outcomes (Wang, 2011). Individuals enjoy gaming, despite facing challenges with negative feelings that are unavoidable. The application of game design elements in non-game activities, such as education, known as Gamification (Al-Faliti & Al-Blushi, 2016; Rouse & The University of Southern Mississippi, 2013). Gaming is identified as a tool in shaping classrooms to be living game spaces (Al-Azawi, Al-Faliti & Al-Blushi, 2016; Hamari, Koivisto & Sarsa, 2014). Students learn under free-choice and free-to-fail circumstances through completing missions given. The ultimate aim is to engage students in learning in a supportive environment. Gamified education may create favorable conditions for teaching and learning effectively.

# 1.3 Overview of Game-based Learning

Game-based learning is a pedagogy that integrates subject matter and game elements according to students' capacity. Learning goals, curriculum needs, and educational psychology have to be considered in pedagogy design. Game rules, mission, and enjoyment are some illustrations of game design (Mz & Sy, 2008). Students apply knowledge learned through gaming in the real world (Team, Editorial, 2017). Game-based learning consists of three principles that are (1) competition between teacher and students or students themselves; (2) engagement of students due to curiosity and interest, and (3) immediate rewards like descriptive feedback given by teachers and marks awarded based on achievements (Wang, n.d.). In application, game-based learning consists of two approaches which are digital game-based learning and non-digital-based learning. Even though the latter is not popular in related areas, it is a crucial teaching tool in education (Naik, 2015).



# 1.4 Research gap

Previous educational research concentrated on the application and effectiveness of gamification and digital game-based learning, especially in targeted primary students (Jong, 2015; Tüzün et al., 2009; Papastergiou, 2009). Only a few studies fill in part of the research gap by investigating non-digital games in educational settings (Dicheva, Dichev, Agre & Angelova, 2015). While researchers (Mayo, 2009) insist on the positive effect of gamified education compared to traditional teacher-oriented pedagogy, Kim, Song, Lockee & Burton (2018) declared uncertainties on the efficacy of gamification for learning and teaching, such as participants' ages, subject matter, and game design.

Meanwhile, there are missing puzzles on the relationship between various gaming and teaching in aspects of learning outcomes. There has been very little research focused on the linkage between the implementation of different scales of game elements and participants' learning outcomes in secondary geographical education. More comprehensive empirical research is required to complete the related study area, especially the most effective adaptation of game elements in teaching.



# **1.5 Research question**

Based on the background, this paper mainly investigates the relationship between gaming elements and students' effective learning, and ultimately identifies an optimal level of gaming implementation in teaching geography. Research questions are designed according to learning outcomes categories under geographical education.

- What are the motivation differences between traditional learning, gamification, and game-based learning respectively?

- What are the knowledge-test differences between traditional learning, gamification, and game-based learning individually and comparatively?

- What is the best practice of game elements applied in geographical education?



#### 2. Gamification and Geographical Education: Towards a Theoretical Framework

#### 2.1 Theoretical bases of gamification

Games in education include gamification and serious games. Gamification refers to activities that only involve game mechanics, while serious games are additionally embedded with educational objectives and related to real-world problems. The latter are tools in gamebased learning widely, where players learn while playing.



Figure 1. Relationship between serious game and gamification

*Note.* The image was created to clarify the meaning of gamification in learning and education. From Kim, Song, K., Lockee, B., & Burton, J. (n.d.). Gamification in Learning and Education. Springer International Publishing. <u>https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-47283-6</u> Copyright by Springer International Publishing

All games have distinct parts: rules, systems, and fun based on a foundation gamification design - MDA framework with three core elements: mechanics, dynamics, and aesthetics (Hunicke et al., 2004; Zichermann & Cunningham; 2011) (see Figure 2.). These elements create stimulators that could be associated with the learning process. Challenge, curiosity, and control are some illustrations (Kim et al., 2018).



#### Figure 2. MDA Framework



*Note.* The image was created to clarify the theoretical gamification framework. From Kim, Song, K., Lockee, B., & Burton, J. (n.d.). Gamification in Learning and Education. Springer International Publishing. <u>https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-47283-6</u> Copyright by Springer International Publishing

### 2.1.1 Mechanics

Mechanics is the fundamental component in providing rules for players' game experiences. Points and rewards are some illustrations (See Table 1). The combination of various elements demonstrates different game experiences. For example, the mix of points, leaderboard, and achievements creates a competition.



Table 1. Variations of mechanics in gamification model

Туре	Mechanics		
Player progression	Points (score)		
	Achievement (badges, trophies,		
	reward system or other forms)		
	Leaderboard		
	Levels (level up system)		
Tasks	Missions (quests, optional		
	assignment, mission selection,		
	collect object, or others)		
	Mini games (quiz, puzzle)		
Game content	Role-playing		
	Unique controllers		
	Simulation		
	Drag and drop		
	Turn – based		
Additional feature	Feedback		
	Map		
	Background story		
	Characters		
	GPS location		
	Obstacles and enemies		
	Tutorials (audio, video, animation)		
	Social media platform (chat		
	feature or forum)		
	Items		
	Increasing difficulty		
	Tooltips & hints		
	Augmented Reality		
	Virtual Reality		

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## 2.1.2 Dynamics

Dynamics refers to experiences formed under the run of mechanics based on the game's context, constraints, and choices (See Table 2). An experience framework with 20 categories was suggested by Korhonen, Montola, and Arrasvunori (2009), including role-play, and competition.



Receive badges, achievement, or other rewards	Students with the best score receive rewards such as badges, achievement or redeemable rewards to boost their motivation in learning activities
Role-playing	Players can choose characters to play in the scenario provided in game
Non-linear progression	All mission can be done separately so users could choose any mission they want to do There are tutorials in many forms and player can choose to take it or not In some mission that involves collecting objects, player could collect them in any order
Real exploration	Player must finish tasks by explore real location with the help of GPS
In-game exploration	Player will explore the virtual environment of the game itself
Puzzle solving	The puzzle in this game could be done using player's own methods
Difficulty adjustment	Challenges that adjusted automatically based on players' performance
Hints	The game will provide help to guide players during gameplay
Management – simulation	Player can build their own of city/zoo/other business place by using resources like money and make sure the business itself succeeded
Turn – based	During gameplay, both party will be given limited time and number of moves each turn
Adaptation system	System will adapt and change based on user data and actions, and the changes will affect gameplay directly or indirectly
Quiz system	Multiple choices with points for each correct answer. The points will be shown after each question answered

Table 2. Variations of dynamics in gamification modelTypeDynamics Description

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### 2.1.3 Aesthetics

Aesthetics is gamers' feelings and emotions brought by game experiences. It is the product of mechanics and dynamics. According to The PLEX model created by Arrasvuori and other researchers (2011), fantasy, challenge, and fellowship are some illustrations (See Table 3.). All experiences are possible to bring the emotion of fun to players. Despite there is no clear definition of fun', Lazzaro (2004) suggested four elements to create 'fun', that are (1)Novelty;



(2)Challenge; (3)Friendship; (4)Meaning. Csikszentmihalyi (1997) Theory of flow also emphasized the role of a challenging but performable game experience. It is essential for players to enter an optimum stage for learning and academic achievement, known as 'flow'. Under this mental status, players put full concentration on the activity and forget the surroundings, including time and space.

Experience	Description
Captivation	Forgetting one's surroundings
Challenge	Testing abilities in a demanding task
Competition	Contest with oneself or an opponent
Completion	Finishing a major task, closure
Control	Dominating, commanding, regulating
Cruelty	Causing mental or physical pain
Discovery	Finding something new or unknown
Eroticism	A sexually arousing experience
Exploration	Investigating an object or situation
Expression	Manifesting oneself creatively
Fantasy	An imagined experience
Fellowship	Friendship, communality or intimacy
Humor	Fun, joy, amusement, jokes, gags
Nurture	Taking care of oneself or others
Relaxation	Relief from bodily or mental work
Sensation	Excitement by stimulating senses
Simulation	An imitation of everyday life
Submission	Being part of a larger structure
Subversion	Breaking social rules and norms
Suffering	Experience of loss, frustration, anger
Sympathy	Sharing emotional feelings
Thrill	Excitement derived from risk, danger

Table 3. The PLEX Framework in gamification model

*Note*. Reprinted from "Applying the PLEX framework in designing for playfulness.", by Arrasvuori, Boberg, M., Holopainen, J., Korhonen, H., Lucero, A., & Montola, M.,2011, *Proceedings of the 2011 Conference on Designing Pleasurable Products and Interfaces, 1–8.* <u>https://doi.org/10.1145/2347504.2347531</u>. Copyright by Andrés Lucero

# 2.2 Theoretical bases of game-based learning

In most studies of instructional game structure, there is a tacit model of learning (see Table 4.). The base is that subject matters are injected into the game, presented in the form of game features and characters. These elements could activate a cycle of users' judgments, behaviours, and system feedback. In theory, an optimal design of a game could form iterative



judgment-behavior-feedback loops (Garris et al. 2002). It is a motivational process, resulting in sustained and self-motivated game experiences. The model emphasizes participants' trial-and-learn. Attempts trigger reactions like enjoyment and being interested, eventually leading to behavioural reinforcement and efforts intensification through system feedback on performance in the game context (Garris, Ahlers & Driskell, 2002). As this positive flow continues, participants' performance improves where related skills and knowledge required to cope with challenges can be mastered. Positive effects of game-based learning on science and engineering cognitive learning, including conceptual application and understanding of theoretical concepts, have been observed (Vlachopoulos & Makri, 2017; Chang et al., 2020).



Table 4. Input-Process-Outcome Game Model

*Note.* The image was created from a model of games and learning session to represent Input-Process-Outcome Game Model. From Garris, Rosemary, Ahlers, Robert, & Driskell, James E. (2002). Games, Motivation, and Learning: A Research and Practice Model. Simulation & Gaming, 33(4), 441–467. <u>https://doi.org/10.1177/1046878102238607</u>. Copyright by Naval Air Warfare Training Systems Center.

Concerning game nature, researchers have various views and qualifications in gamification. For example, some studies (Gibbons, 2013; Gredler, 1996; Holman, Aguilar, & Fishman, 2013) emphasized the element of goal complexity while others (Giannetto et al., 2013; O'Donovan et al., 2013; Li; Landers & Callan, 2011) argued on the importance of social engagement. However, five major theoretical basis contribute to the formation of gamification



in promoting effective learning (Kim et al., 2018). They are self-determination theory, situated learning theory, social learning theory, motivation theory, and achievement theory.

### 2.2.1 Self-determination theory

Self-determination is the foundation of motivation. Psychological needs, including autonomy, competence, and relatedness, encourage individuals to engage in activities. Feelings of controlling behaviour and consequences, which establish a sense of autonomy, can be satisfied with delegation to students in class decisions making. A sense of self-efficacy fosters competence while social activities meet relatedness. Several researchers suggest that intrinsic motivation can be triggered by a sense of competence (Deci & Ryan, 2013; İHSAN et al., 2015).

#### 2.2.2 Situated learning theory

Interest is a psychological state with motivational variables that increase individual attention and encouragement in engaging a wide range of things, such as objects, tasks, and activities (Renninger & Hidi, 2017; Schiefele & Ulrich, 1991). The Four-phases model of interest development is divided into short-term and long-term. Triggering and maintaining situational interest is the initial step, whereas the emergence and development of individual interest is the ultimate goal (See Figure 3.). Once the short-term interest is formed, long-term individual interest can be developed with its remarkable effect on engagement.





*Note.* The image was created from Define Interest to represent The Dual Meaning of Interest: A Psychological State and a Motivational Variable. From Renninger, K. A., & Hidi, S. (2016). The power of interest for motivation and engagement. Routledge. Copyright by Routledge.

In school settings, different aspects of classrooms could create interest. Presentation of learning materials and students' feelings are some illustrations (Linnenbrink-Garcia et al., 2010). In students' mindset, the assumption of learning as a single entity hides the full utilization of the actual world environment, resulting in difficulty in learning. However, it is suggested that interest and knowledge are learned under an imagined environment more readily than in a decontextualized form (Garris, Ahlers & Driskell, 2002).

Knowledge is a social construction outcome, implying people's understanding of learning in situated conditions. According to studies (McLeallan, 1996; Orgill, 2007) on situated learning theory, learning is a concept of understanding under an authentic context of the application and the social interactions during the progress. Learning is inseparable from environment and activity in related contexts (Collins, Brown, & Newman, 1989; Lave, 1988; Lave, 1991; Bell, Maeng & Binns, 2013; Kim, Song, Lockee & Burton, 2018). Knowledge

construction only can be achieved by merging with the context of the physical environment in



learning. A virtual, situated background takes a crucial role in constructing an environment for effective learning (Cordova & Lepper, 1996; Kim et al.; 2018). Games expose students to situational interest and opportunities for prolonging learning. Situational interest refers to the reactions toward activities. Fantasies in games facilitate students' focalization and attention in the "world with no consequences" (Thomas and Macredie, 1994). They are necessary for supporting an individual's interest development.

### 2.2.3 Social learning theory

The theory of social learning has been applied in schools for decades. Implementation of gamified education greatly increases the weighting of interactivity between individuals, contributing to its efficacy in students' learning outcomes (Thornton & Cleveland, 1990). Social learning allows people to learn from each other in various ways: information transmission from observation, imitation, and deliberation, exchanges of views through arguments and persuasion (Bandura; 1977; Habermas, 1981; Kim et al.; 2018; Newig et al., 2010). In game time, students not only pay attention to peers' behaviors, evaluate and discuss their actions, but also duplicate those behaviors that are preserved as correct based on the consequences to achieve the game mission. Similar actions applied to instructions and demonstrations made by teachers as well. However, gaming brings students' different knowledge systems and world perceptions together, affecting subsequent learning outcomes (Wildemeersch 2007). Compared to teacher-orientated lessons, these social gaming experiences allow students to learn faster with high engagement (Wildemeersch et al., 1998, Benn 2000). Therefore, the learning efficiency can be increased by enhancing the chances of students' group learning.

### 2.2.4 Motivation theory

In general, motivation is the psychological process where students continuously engage in learning through establishing a connection with their surroundings (Akbaba, 2006; Geen,



1986; Yildirim, 2017). As a variable of interest, motivation is an essential qualification and reinforcement that provides energy in achieving a goal (i.e. sustaining continuous learning) (Hu, 2008; Girmus, 2012; Kaya, 2013). Effective learning fails without motivation and engagement.

**2.2.4.1 Intrinsic motivation** It refers to people interest, pleasure, and curiosity about things. Being approved by studies (Gros 2007; Habgood 2007; Hakulinen et al., 2013; Nah et al., 2014; Su & Cheng, 2015), the game itself has the motivational power to attract students' engagement, promoting them to be self-directed and self-motivated in achieving learning outcomes.

**2.2.4.1 Extrinsic motivation** It is formed by environmental and external factors, like rewards, punishment, pressure, etc. According to Csikszentmihalyi Flow Theory (1997), ideal conditions of a motivating learning environment can be created with eight components: (1) Challenges match skills; (2) Clear goal; (3) Concentration and focus; (4)Control; (5)Direct feedback; (6)Loss of self-consciousness; (7) Autotelic and; (8)Transformation of time. Interestingly, these elements are associated with the game design MDA framework. With clear goals, direct feedback, and the balance of challenge and autonomy, participants can be highly engaged in game experiences.

No research emphasized on any type of motivator in promoting persistent learning (Renninger & Hidi, 2017). It is hard to clarify the weight of contributions from intrinsic and extrinsic motivation separately as students can be motivated intrinsically and extrinsically at the same time (Garris, Ahlers & Driskell, 2002; Lepper, Corpus & Iyengar, 2005; Lepper, Greene & Nisbett, 1973; Scanlon, Anderson & Sweeney, 2016 ). Yet, in facets of academic learning and achievement, intrinsic motivation contributes more than extrinsic motivation (Deci & Ryan, 2000; Garris, Ahlers & Driskell, 2002; Taylor et al., 2014). It shares similar viewpoints with several studies on intrinsic learning. Intrinsic learning can be fostered by intrinsic



motivation factors such as curiosity, challenge, and fantasy included in gaming (Egenfeldt-Nielsen 2006; Garris et al. 2002; Malone, 1981; Prensky 2003).

#### 2.2.5 Achievement theory

A specific and achievable goal can motivate individuals and determine achievements (Dweck & Leggett, 1988; Elliott & Dweck, 1988; Van Yperen, Blaga, & Postmes, 2014). There are two types: master goals with the desire for abilities acquisition and performance goals on higher achievements with peer comparison (Hamstra, Yperen, Wisse, & Sassenberg, 2014; Pekrun, Cusack, Murayama, Elliot, & Thomas, 2014). Mastery goals are relatively good for prolonging learning by fostering an individual's self-regulation, self-efficacy, and academic achievement (Linnenbrink, 2005; Robinson, Palmer, & Bub, 2016). Performance goals, by contrast, possibly enhance or discourage motivation for high achievement (Schunk & Mullen, 2012). In application, types of goals will be swapped according to changes of the individual psychological mindset as students' motivation and interest are coherently associated with achievement.

Gamified education contains clear missions and goals related to subject matters for players to strike for. It is highly recognised for its effectiveness in improving learning achievements (Domínguez et al., 2013; Li et al., 2012; Nah et al., 2014; Smith & Baker, 2011; Su & Cheng, 2015). High-order thinking skills, and cognitive-based learning outcomes, including declarative knowledge, procedural knowledge, and strategic knowledge are some examples. A significant statement was conducted by Randel et al. (1992) that the more specific the subject matter is, the greater beneficial effects are shown by gamified education.2.3 Theoretical bases of geographical education



### 2.3 Theoretical bases of geographical education

The ultimate goal of geographical education is to facilitate students in application and decision-making on various issues, such as socio-economic inequalities and natural disasters. The American National Geography standards defined essential skills for geography learners, including the ability to ask geographical questions, acquire geographical information, organize geographical information, analyse geographical Information, and respond to geographical questions (Ünlü & Yıldırım, 2017). The term 'Geoliteracy' is recently used to describe core skills in geographical education: the ability to use geographic knowledge and reasoning in decision-making (Anne, 2019; Robinson, Hardman & Matley, 2021). It covers the whole spectrum of geography from urban planning to climate change with three central aspects. They are interactions, interconnections, and implications. Learners firstly learn how our world works and connect and secondly make reasonable decisions for the Earth and human society through systematic analysis of findings based on priorities.

#### 2.3.1 Game in geographical education

Instrumental games have existed since the Middle Ages (Von Hilgers, 2012). People viewed geography as a subject in the discussion of establishing a polite society. It prohibits the pop-up of board games in teaching geography based on specialized textbooks targeted for the upper and middle classes who aim to improve children's geographical education. Since then, board games have been used in geographical and planning education as well as for practical applications (Smith, 2010). Formats like Participology and Geogopoly based on role-play mode are widely applied in different topics in the geography curriculum.

The effectiveness of game-based learning in geography classrooms had been approved. Through interactive role-play, various real-world problems can be addressed in different ways. Not only geographic concepts but also strategies and skills used in the game, such as critical

thinking, could be conveyed easily in a fun environment. Sardine and Fotaris (2020)



emphasized board game contributions to the development of geographic literacy, especially in the theme of space and place. Students' stereotype 'tedious' towards learning geography could be transformed into 'memorable' and 'fun'. Her findings reconfirmed the findings of Virvou, Katsionis, and Manos (2005) that geography game environments attract low-performers attention, coping with the problem of boredom in particular topics. Meanwhile, some researchers agreed that geography games generate a range of perceptual, cognitive, and behavioural learning impacts by simulating the world beyond the classroom (Hamari et al., 2016; Yildirim, 2017; Tuzun et al. 2009).



#### 3. Climate Change Education under geographical education

Climate change involves two cores: 'Climate' explains the natural sciences, while 'change', or educating for change, involves engaging the social sciences and humanities (McKeown & Hopkins, 2010). Thus, education on climate change focuses on learning knowledge, skills, values, and action toward complex issues in the face of uncertainties and rapid climate change (Hung, 2014; Stevenson, Nicholls, & Whitehouse, 2017). Learners are expected to be involved in this global issue from awareness to knowledge about causes and impacts, and ultimately, to participation in management. In the Hong Kong Geography curriculum, 84 hours are spent in junior forms while 195–220 hours are spent in senior forms under a detailed learning guideline set in the Geography Curriculum and Assessment Guide (Jackson & Pang, 2017) (See Figure 3.). However, not all countries view climate change as an independent topic and establish comprehensive guidelines. In Singapore, climate change education concentrated on taking action for the environment. In some countries like Greece, climate change education is not explicitly included in the curriculum, but rather in existing school subjects (Koulaidis & Christidou, 1999).







*Note.* The image was created from a teaching kit according to the module of 'Climates Change – Long-term fluctuation or irreversible trend?' in Geography Curriculum and Assessment Guide. From Jessie Lau (n.d.). Establishment of Geography E-learning Package about Climate Change. Copyright by Ho Koon Nature Educa>on cum Astronomical Centre. <u>https://www.edb.gov.hk/attachment/tc/curriculum-</u>development/kla/pshe/references-and-resources/geography/Geog\_e-Learning\_package\_on\_climate\_change.pdf

### **3.1 Tradition approach I**

Like other subject education, climate change education is under traditional Chinese mode, which means a teacher-centred and exam-oriented approach. Climate change education concentrates on students' cognitive level, expecting them to be awakened and interpret human linkages in the biotic community as a pedagogical and practical task in climate change education (Howard, 2013). However, marks in examinations only reflect students' memorization ability and are irrelevant to students and their present realities. Climate change knowledge should be taught in a more tangible way to raise the consciousness of students

#### (Hung, 2014).



#### **3.2 Tradition approach II**

Climate change education cannot be confined to traditional structures but be drawn to a new hybrid environment. It is suggested that alternative practice-centred social learning approaches should be applied, such as competition and research (Hung, 2014; Lotz-Sisitka 2008). It allows learners to be empowered in climate change education beyond awareness of climate change facts. Schools in Australia used project-based pedagogies. Students' progress inquiry works with autonomy which enhances the relevance of their learning content. On the topic of international cooperation, group learning is evaluated with a higher rating in learning outcomes (Vinke-de, & Pahl-Wostl, 2016).

### 3.3 New approach

Among recent pedagogical developments, there is an increasing focus on social learning and situated learning in the context of climate change education (Kagawa & Selby, 2010). Game-based intervention which suits the above trend is preferred over other methods as it provides motivation, an enjoyable ludic experience, and social interaction (Fernández et al., 2021). Game-based climate change education is a nascent area that needs to be investigated in the learning of environmental and social sciences.

As discussed, the above parts show comprehensive keys to both gamification and gamebased learning in reaching effective academic learning. Games address a wide range of learning goals from knowledge to affective and behavioural engagement, coping with the core problem of low engagement. This paper is going to focus on the following theories that may be associated with the research theme: climate change education under geography education:(1) Motivation Theory which claimed games as an intrinsic motivator in promoting selfengagement in learning; (2)Situated learning Theory where fantasies easily dragged



participants into situational interest; and(3)Interest Development Theory that demonstrates the process to prolonging individual learning interest.



### 4. Methodology

This paper aims to compare the motivations and cognitive learning outcomes of students who learned climate change national cooperation in class with a variety of game elements. This chapter provides the research's detailed description, including research design, targeted population, hypothesis testing, data collection tools, and statics tools.

#### 4.1 Research design

The design methodology used is quantitative and experimental research. The study was conducted in three different modes of geography lessons in November 2021.



Figure 5. Experimental design with two experimental groups and a control group

# 4.1.1 Theme

The theme is national cooperation on climate change with three cognitive learning outcomes. They are (1) To categorize countries in development levels; (2) To describe national community climate agreements; (3) To explain factors of countries withdrawn in climate



In the theme of climate change national cooperation, most of the knowledge is facts that require students to recognise and remember. To deal with boredom, gamified elements could be powerful in facilitating students' cognitive learning outcomes.

**4.1.2.1 Gamified class** Experiment group I is designed with two collaborative inter-group competition activities. Students in groups of four have to cooperate and finish matching tasks based on their understanding before learning new concepts. The following table lists the game design framework.

	Mechanics	Dynamics	Possible Aesthetics
Player	Score	Matching with points for	Challenge
progression	Leaderboard	each correct answer.	Control
	Achievement with rewards	Group with best score	Competition
		receive rewards	Fellowship
Task	Mini game: Quiz system		-
Game content	Drag and drop		

Table 5. Gamified class game design framework

Both competition and collaboration learning activities have strong motivation power. Still, competition only motivates high-achieving and ambitious learners but demotivates the relatively low-achieving ones. According to Elliot, Jury, and Murayama (2018), relatively lowachieving students lack confidence in demonstrations, resulting in low participation in competitions. Integrated with collaboration within groups, low-achieving students are more willing to demonstrate their skills as a unity of the team. Hence, collaborative, competitive



gamification could maximise its effectiveness by complementing each other (Ke & Grabowski 2007; Burguillo 2010; Murray, 2019).

**4.1.2.2 Game-based class** Experiment group II is designed with non-digital game-based learning activities. The game vision is to balance the use of limited resources between relieving climate change and the country's development. Players are expected to experience the negotiation on resources distribution for agreement implementation. Game cards are designed to stimulate students' learning engagement and boost their cognitive learning outcomes in a new learning environment (Cordova & Lepper, 1996; Kim et al.; 2018). Such a microworld-based role-playing game could achieve maximum effect in learning outcomes (Huang et al., 2014; Law & Chen, 2016; Wang et al., 2017).

	Mechanics	Dynamics	Possible Aesthetics
Player	Score	Each player has a	Simulation
progression	Leaderboard within groups	character to play and	Challenge
		manage own resources	Control
Task	Mission		Fellowship
Game content	Role-playing		Competition
	Management Simulation		

Table 6. Game-based class design framework

Students in groups of four have to play three rounds with a set of cards. Each student, acting as a representative of a country randomly (Developed countries and developing countries), has different levels of resources (Labour, Technology, and finances) referenced to reality. All members participate in a climate change national conference and choose whether to implement agreements or not. To alleviate global warming, certain levels of mark have to be



gained by agreement implementation. The agreement's effectiveness is associated with the number of required resources. Table 5 lists the game design framework.

# 4.1.3 Lesson flow

Three lesson plans designed with different pedagogies were activated in classes separately: traditional teaching mode acts as the control group while gamification and nondigital game-based learning modes are experimental group I and experimental group II respectively. Detailed lesson plans are attached in Appendix while a comparative table is shown as follows. The data were collected under a pre-and-post-test and a knowledge-based test.

	Control group: Traditional Class	Experimental Group I: Gamified Class	Experimental Group II: Game-based Class	
Session 1	Complete knowledge-test			
	Play a video about global w	Play a video about global warming		
	Classify countries according to the	Competition I - Countries Classification	Game introduction with video	
	PowerPoint		Board Game time	
	National contracts explanation with PowerPoint			
Session 2	Explain actual national cooperation situation with PowerPoint		Board Game time	
	Illustrate the argument of countries on withdrawn decision with PowerPoint	Competition II - Countries Withdraw Arguments	Debriefing	
	Complete knowledge-test and motivation test			

Table 7. A comparative table of independent groups

### 4.2 Target population

The population of this study is secondary students from Buddhist Sum Heung Lam Memorial College, aged around 15 to 16 years old. The experimental and control groups are randomly distributed based on classes.



Table 8. Research sample population

Group	Teaching mode	Number of participants
Control group	Traditional rote-learning	27
Experimental group I	Gamification	24
Experiential group II	Game-based learning	20
Total		71

### 4.3 Definition of variables

Quantitative variables are used to compare participants' performance under different pedagogies and to ultimately determine the optimal use of game elements in geographical education.

### 4.3.1 Independent variables

Three teaching modes would be the independent variable. Participants' pre-and-post knowledge-test scores vary based on experiencing any one type of teaching mode respectively.

### 4.3.2 Dependent variables

Knowledge test scores and motivation test results of three groups are dependent variables in comparison of learning outcomes and motivations. All results will be standardized with a full mark of 100.

# 4.3.3 Control variables

Age, teaching time, and test-completing time are used as control variables. All participants are Secondary three students aged between 15 and 16, All three groups will experience two sessions of 30-minutes lessons in school for learning about climate change. Five minutes are given to all participants to complete each set of tests.



#### **4.4 Data collection instrument**

### 4.4.1 Knowledge test

Cognitive learning outcomes are measured through three parts of valid matching questions in response to three learning outcomes respectively.

### 4.4.2 ARCS Motivation test

This research measures participants' psychological learning outcomes based on the Attention, Relevance, Confidence, Satisfaction (ARCS) questionnaire which is an instructional model developed by John Keller. There are 18 items divided into four groups of factors with an additional factor (Personal growth and social skills) with 3 questions. The 5-point Likert scale is applied to reduce the Asian respondents' bias (Truonhg, Yap & Ineson, 2012). 1=strongly disagree, 2=disagree, 3=neutral, 4= agree, 5=strongly agree were used to present respondents' opinions on lessons with game elements added in lesson at different scales.

### 4.4.3 Ethical considerations

According to Bryman and Bell (2007), the research participants' full consent has to be obtained at the initial stage. The aim of this research needs to be clearly stated in the participants' content form before having data collection. Misleading information should be avoided. All participants have the right to withdraw from the research at any time. All collected data must be ensured in anonymity under an adequate level of confidentiality and privacy protection. However, data can be shared with participants under request.

### 4.5 Statistical tools and hypothesis testing

Two types of statistical tools are used in this study to compare the cognitive and motivational learning outcomes of various groups. One-way ANOVA is used to analyse both



the motivational and cognitive learning outcomes difference between three dependent variables while paired t-test is used to analyse the pre-and-post knowledge test changes of each dependent variable. It is proved that these tests are reliable in identifying slight deviations from the assumptions of normality and equal variance among populations (Zar, 1999).

#### 4.5.1 Paired-sample t-test

To compare the mean of pre and post-knowledge tests in each group, a one-sided pairedsample t statistic is adopted. P-value of  $\leq 0.05$  is used in analysing the significance of the difference between sample means. The null hypothesis is written as:

 $H_0$ : There is no difference in each group in terms of pre-and-post knowledge test mean

H<sub>1</sub>: There is a significant difference in each group in terms of pre-and-post knowledge test mean

The hypothesis is that the cognitive learning outcomes level increases after all modes of teaching, where the more game elements added in the lesson, the higher cognitive level established by students based on the significant value. To be specific, experiment group II is predicted to have the highest scores while experimental group I comes next and the control group has the lowest scores.

#### 4.5.2 One-way ANOVA

With three types of teaching modes, a one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) is used. P-value of  $\leq 0.05$  is used in analysing the significance of the difference between sample means of motivation and cognitive learning outcomes towards geography learning.

**4.5.2.1 Motivational learning outcomes** The null hypothesis is written as:

 $H_0$ : There is no difference between the controlled group and experimental groups in terms of

#### ARCS motivation test mean


H1: At least one experiment group is different from the control group in term of ARCS motivation test mean

The hypothesis is that the more game elements added to the lesson, the higher motivation students have. To be specific, experiment group II is predicted to have the highest motivational scores while experimental group I comes next and the control group has the lowest scores.

**4.5.2.2 Cognitive learning outcomes** The null hypothesis is written as:

 $H_0$ : There is no difference between the controlled group and experimental groups in terms of post-knowledge test mean

H1: At least one experiment group is different from the control group in term of post-knowledge test mean

The hypothesis is that the more game elements added to the lesson, the greater the postknowledge test difference. To be specific, experiment group II is predicted to have the greater scores difference with the control group.

# 4.6 Codification

Codification of categorical variables is required in the statistical software. A code system table is shown as follows.

Code	Dependent variables / Group
1	Control group - Traditional teaching
2	Experimental group I – Gamification
3	Experiential group II - Game-based learning





## 5. Result

This chapter presents the results of three groups in terms of motivational learning outcome and cognitive learning outcome respectively. The first part concentrates on the intregroup comparison on general motivation tests as well as detailed aspects. The second part contains both the pre-and-post knowledge test differences and the inter-group knowledge test comparison.

## **5.1 Motivational test**

Tables 10. and 11. show the result of the hypothesised relationship between various groups and motivational learning outcomes. A one-way ANOVA revealed that there was a statistically significant difference in test scores between groups (F (2,68) = 4.952, p = 0.01). Results indicated that the average motivation score was significantly higher in experimental group II (M=79.56, SD=13.54) than those in both experimental group I (M=72.65, SD=19.30) and control group (M=64.32, SD=16.15). The null hypothesis of no significant motivational learning outcomes difference between teaching modes is rejected.

Table 10. Descriptives of Variance of Motivation Test									
			95% Confidence Interval for Mean						
	Ν	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error	Lower Bound	Upper Bound	Minimum	Maximum	
1	27	64.32	16.148	3.108	57.93	70.71	31	100	
2	24	72.95	19.300	3.940	64.80	81.10	20	100	
3	20	79.56	13.533	3.026	73.23	85.90	58	100	
Total	71	71.53	17.554	2.083	67.38	75.69	20	100	



Source	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Between Groups	2742.095	2	1371.048	4.952	.010
Within Groups	18827.271	68	276.872		
Total	21569.366	70			

Table 11. One-way Analysis of Variance of Motivation Test

Among four aspects of ARCS motivation test (see Table 12. -15.), Attention, Confidence and Satisfactory have a significant difference between three groups (p-value= 0.03; 0.06; 0.039) while the relevance aspect nearly met the significance level of 0.05 (p-value= 0.084). The additional aspect, personal growth, and social skills also have a statistical significance with a p-value of 0.02 (see Table 16.).

Table 12. One-way Analysis of Variance of Attention

Source	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Between Groups	4376.276	2	2188.138	6.211	.003
Within Groups	23957.058	68	352.310		
Total	28333.333	70			

Table 13. One-way Analysis of Variance of Relevance

Source	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Between Groups	1715.761	2	857.880	2.574	.084
Within Groups	22667.338	68	333.343		
Total	24383.099	70			



Source	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Between Groups	3556.129	2	1778.065	5.554	.006
Within Groups	21768.519	68	320.125		
Total	25324.648	70			

Table 14. One-way Analysis of Variance of Confidence

Table 15. One-way Analysis of Variance of Satisfaction

Source	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Between Groups	1994.868	2	997.434	3.405	.039
Within Groups	19920.625	68	292.950		
Total	21915.49z3	70			

Table 16. One-way Analysis of Variance of Personal Growth and Social Skills

Source	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Between Groups	2220.63	2	1110.315	4.165	.020
Within Groups	18128.67	68	266.598		
Total	20349.30	70			

Scheffé post hoc test revealed a statistically significant difference in the motivation mean of the control group and experimental group II with the significance value is 0.011, which is below 0.05 (See Table 17.). Meanwhile, There is no statistically significant difference between the marks of experimental group I and the control group (p=0.189) or between marks of experimental group I and the control group (p=0.189) or between marks of experimental group I and experimental group II (p=0.427). Thus, we can conclude that effectiveness on motivational learning outcomes increased from traditional rote-learning, gamification, to game-based learning.



		95% Co Inte	nfidence rval			
(I) Group	(J) Group	Difference (I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	Lower Bound	Upper Bound
1	2	-8.630	4.668	.189	-20.31	3.05
	3	-15.242*	4.909	.011	-27.53	-2.96
2	1	8.630	4.668	.189	-3.05	20.31
	3	-6.611	5.038	.427	-19.22	6.00
3	1	15.242*	4.909	.011	2.96	27.53
	2	6.611	5.038	.427	-6.00	19.22

Table 17. Scheffe PostHoc Test of Variance of Motivation Test

In inter-group comparison, attention is the only item with significant differences found in all groups (See Table 18.). Moreover, significant differences are found between control group and experimental group II in the aspect satisfactory, confidence and personal growth, and social skills (See Table 20. - 22.).

Table 18. Scheffe Post Hoc Test of Variance of Attention

		95% Con Inte	nfidence rval			
		Difference			Lower	Upper
(I) Group	(J) Group	(I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound
1	2	-13.642*	5.266	.041	-26.82	46
	3	-18.253*	5.538	.006	-32.11	-4.39
2	1	13.642*	5.266	.041	.46	26.82
	3	-4.611	5.683	.721	-18.83	9.61
3	1	18.253*	5.538	.006	4.39	32.11
	2	4.611	5.683	.721	-9.61	18.83

Table 19. Scheffe Post Hoc Test of Variance of Attention



Table 20. Scheffe Pos	t Hoc Test of	Variance of	Relevance
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		95% Co Inte	nfidence rval			
(I) Group	(J) Group	Difference (I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	Lower Bound	Upper Bound
1	2	-7.245	5.122	.373	-20.06	5.57
	3	-11.954	5.386	.093	-25.43	1.53
2	1	7.245	5.122	.373	-5.57	20.06
	3	-4.708	5.528	.697	-18.54	9.13
3	1	11.954	5.386	.093	-1.53	25.43
	2	4.708	5.528	.697	-9.13	18.54

#### Table 21. Scheffe Post Hoc Test of Variance of Confidence

Mean					95% Con Inte	nfidence rval	
		Difference			Lower	Upper	
(I) Group	(J) Group	(I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound	
1	2	-7.593	5.019	.325	-20.15	4.97	
	3	-17.593*	5.279	.006	-30.80	-4.38	
2	1	7.593	5.019	.325	-4.97	20.15	
	3	-10.000	5.417	.190	-23.56	3.56	
3	1	17.593*	5.279	.006	4.38	30.80	
	2	10.000	5.417	.190	-3.56	23.56	

## Table 22. Scheffe PostHoc Test of Variance of Satisfaction

	Mean					95% Confidence Interval	
		Difference			Lower	Upper	
(I) Group	(J) Group	(I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound	
1	2	-6.042	4.802	.457	-18.06	5.98	
	3	-13.167*	5.050	.039	-25.80	53	
2	1	6.042	4.802	.457	-5.98	18.06	
	3	-7.125	5.182	.394	-20.09	5.84	
3	1	13.167*	5.050	.039	.53	25.80	
	2	7.125	5.182	.394	-5.84	20.09	



	Mean					95% Confidence Interval		
		Difference			Lower	Upper		
(I) Group	(J) Group	(I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound		
1	2	-5.389	4.581	.504	-16.85	6.07		
	3	-13.889*	4.817	.020	-25.94	-1.83		
2	1	5.389	4.581	.504	-6.07	16.85		
	3	-8.500	4.943	.235	-20.87	3.87		
3	1	13.889*	4.817	.020	1.83	25.94		
	2	8.500	4.943	.235	-3.87	20.87		

Table 23. Scheffe PostHoc Test of Variance of Personal Growth and Social Skills

#### 5.2 Knowledge test

A paired t-test was conducted on three groups to determine if various modes of teaching lead to mean differences in knowledge. Table 24. shows that there was a significant effect for experiment group II (t = 26 w/ df=19, p = 0.000) at a significance level of 0.05, with students gaining knowledge after board game activities (M= -20.56, SD=12.03). Other two samples also have statistically significant differences in the control group (t = -3.068 w/ df=26, p=0.005) and experimental group I (t = -2.839 w/ df=23, p=0.009). Students in the control group reported relatively greater improvement on the knowledge test (M= -14.64, SD=24.79) than students in experimental group I (M= -11.11, SD=19.18). As values of all groups are various, the null hypothesis of no significant difference between pre-and-post knowledge tests between teaching modes is rejected.

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		Mean	N	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
1	Pre 1	46.57	27	23.145	4.454
	Post 1	61.21	27	17.091	3.289
2	Pre 2	49.07	24	16.437	3.355
	Post 2	60.19	24	12.332	2.517
3	Pre 3	50.83	20	13.521	3.023
	Post 3	71.39	20	13.032	2.914

Table 24. Knowledge-test Result Statistics I



	Paired Differences								
		95% Confidence Interval of the Difference							
		Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean	Lower	Upper	t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)
Pair 1	Pre 1 - Post 1	-14.638	24.793	4.771	-24.446	-4.831	-3.068	26	.005
Pair 2	Pre 2 - Post 2	-11.111	19.175	3.914	-19.208	-3.014	-2.839	23	.009
Pair 3	Pre 3 - Post 3	-20.556	21.028	4.702	-30.397	-10.714	26	19	.000

Scheffé post hoc test showed the difference between variable groups in pre-and-postknowledge respectively. The pre-knowledge test result revealed no significant difference between all groups (Table 26.). It implies that all participants have nearly the same understanding of climate change international cooperation.

	Mean				95% Confidence Interval		
(I) Group	(J) Group	Difference (I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	Lower Bound	Upper Bound	
1	2	-1.68	5.11	.948	-14.47	11.11	
	3	-3.40	5.44	.823	-17.01	10.21	
2	1	1.68	5.11	.948	-11.11	14.47	
	3	-1.72	5.58	.953	-15.67	12.22	
3	1	3.40	5.44	.823	-10.21	17.01	
	2	1.72	5.58	.953	-12.22	15.67	

 Table 26. Scheffe Post Hoc Test of Variance of Pre-knowledge Test

Unexpectedly, Table 27 shows that there is a statistically significant difference in the post-knowledge test score between experimental group I and experimental group II with a significance value are 0.045, which is below 0.05. Meanwhile, there was no statistically significant difference between scores of the control and group experimental group I (p=0.97) or between marks of control group I and experimental group II (p=0.66). It reflected that there is no distinctive variety between traditional pedagogy and class with game elements. The null hypothesis of no significant difference on post-knowledge tests between teaching modes is rejected.



Mean					95% Confidence Interval		
(I) Group	(J) Group	Difference (I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	Lower Bound	Upper Bound	
1	2	1.02	4.07	.969	-9.17	11.21	
	3	-10.18	4.28	.066	-20.90	.53	
2	1	-1.020	4.07	.969	-11.21	9.17	
	3	-11.20*	4.39	.045	-22.20	21	
3	1	10.18	4.28	.066	53	20.90	
	2	11.20*	4.39	.045	.21	22.20	



#### 6. Discussion

Hypothesis of this study has been proven partially rational. In climate change education, motivational and cognitive learning outcomes under game-based learning are the highest. In terms of motivation, the level of engagement increases with increasing game elements added. Game-based learning indeed maximises students' engagement in the theme of national cooperation learning. Nonetheless, there are unexpected findings in the facets of climate change knowledge acquisition. No significant knowledge gain difference was proved between tradition pedagogy and classes with game elements, except gamification and game-based learning. This chapter will analyse the influence of game elements contributing to the above findings before making a thesis statement of the game application in future geographical education.

### 6.1 Influence of game elements on motivational learning

This study reconfirmed the significant impact of theories mentioned in the literature review. Motivation is associated with game elements. Among variables of this study, gamebased learning gained a relatively higher motivation level. With an extremely significant value of 0.003 between game-based class and traditional class in terms of attention differences, the power of the game in raising students' engagement was confirmed. This finding echo numerous researchers' Motivational Theory. The game itself indeed is an intrinsic motivator while game mechanics settings are extrinsic motivators for attracting engagement (Gros 2007; Habgood 2007; Hakulinen et al., 2013; Nah et al., 2014; Su & Cheng, 2015). When applying games in the interest development theory, the game is a useful tool to trigger situational interests, therefore; it creates an opportunity for participants' long-term individual interest development.

Surprisingly, this study proved the contributions of other theoretical bases in motivation maximisation. Findings showed a highly significant value of 0.06, 0.39, and 0.02 on confidence; satisfaction; personal growth and social skills aspects respectively. The remarkable effect of

game-based learning on engagement is attributed to game dynamics (control, competition, and



fellowship). Involved dynamics connected learning to psychological principles, like Selfdetermination Theory and Social Learning Theory, and promoted fun and enjoyable learning experiences successfully. This paper echoed previous studies (Wildemeersch et al., 1998, Benn 2000; Vinke-de, & Pahl-Wostl, 2016) that students have higher engagement in social gaming experiences.

## 6.2 Influence of game elements on cognitive learning

This study showed that there is a significant improvement in facets of all groups preand-post knowledge tests with a significant value smaller or equal to 0.05. The mean postknowledge score difference of game-based classes is the highest (M=20.56). The lesson theme of this experiment - climate change national cooperation is hard knowledge, which is perceived as indubitably uncontested facts. Students may easily lose focus in class. Under no instructions on memorizing the knowledge, students in the game-based class were still able to gain relatively high scores in the post-knowledge test. It is reasonable to give credit to unique elements of game-based design in getting students engaged to be active learners successfully.

The first element to success is the game nature of trial-and-learn. It is believed that this game-based class performed an optimal game with judgment-behaviour-feedback loops mentioned by Garris (2022). After several attempts, students reflected on their performance and deepened their understanding of national cooperation subconsciously.

The second element is stimulation. Students acted as country representatives to alleviate global warming in simulated national meetings. Role design stimulated students' curiosity to ask geographical questions. It demonstrated the function of situated learning theory identified by previous research, where the game constructed a natural, virtual environment for effective learning (Cordova & Lepper, 1996; Kim et al.; 2018). As hard knowledge is merged as part of the game, knowledge acquisition becomes easier for students. Thus, this study agrees with the power of gameplay elements in engaging students cognitively, including knowledge



acquisition, conceptual application, and understanding of theoretical concepts, especially under role-play, collaborative play, and competition (Vlachopoulos & Makri, 2017; Subhash and Cudney, 2018). Abstract and factual knowledge, such as reasons for withdrawing climate change national agreements, can be collaboratively constructed through the game in an attractive context. Students could grasp these concepts in a casual, easy way and get rid of learning by rote.

In the comparison of cognitive learning outcomes between teaching modes, there is no significant pattern between traditional pedagogy and two classes with game elements while a distinguishing difference was found between gamification and game-based learning. While knowledge scores of the game-based class are the highest(M=20.56), that of the gamified class (M=11.11) are even lower than that of the traditional class (M=14.64). It implies that there are variables determining the level of cognitive learning outcomes in classes with game elements. The findings here disagree with general statements that gamification stimulates academic learning (Vogel, Vogel et al., 2006). The fact is that there are uncertainties that should be taken into account in affecting the cognitive learning outcomes of gamified teaching, including participants perceived academic ability and interest in educational content both in the game and in the classroom (Meluso et al., 2012).

### 6.2.1 Possible factors affecting cognitive learning outcomes

As Kim, Song, Lockee & Burton (2018) mentioned, different factors, including game design, define the efficacy of gamification for learning. There is a possibility that game design in gamified class determined the learning experience and affected cognitive learning outcomes.

The major factor is differences in game mechanics. Gamified learning was conducted with a quiz system while game-based learning was conducted with Roleplay simulation. Although quiz format has been claimed as an instrumental tool for enhancing knowledge

mastery (Ranieri et al., 2018), it is hypothetical that the quiz system had relatively low



motivation power due to its similarity to formal assessment (e.g., tests and examinations). Negative feelings and emotions may be triggered in gamified class, affecting students' level of engagement in cognitive learning.

Another reasonable factor is the failure of reaching the optimal stage mentioned in Flow of Theory. Dynamics differences could lead to a world of differences in aesthetics and subsequent learning. It is reconfirmed by this research findings, where motivation level in gamified class is relatively lower than in that of game-based class. Various levels of challenging but performable game experience determine whether students reach the flow of learning even with the presence of fun experiences.

## 6.3 Difficulties in implementing game-based learning

Game-based learning could maximize motivational and cognitive learning outcomes, yet there are limitations in the actual practice.

The critical problem is insufficient time. First of all, from a year plan design perspective, it is nearly impossible to adopt game-based learning as daily pedagogy with a tight teaching schedule set by the Hong Kong education system. As mentioned in chapter 3, the Hong Kong Geography curriculum suggested that only 84 hours should be spent on the theme of climate change. This experimental research has 2 lessons to teach climate change national cooperation, which belongs to 7.5.1 international cooperation. The fact is that this unit is only a minor part of Climate change education. Furthermore, from a view of lesson plan design, time management difficulties increase in student-orientated game-based learning. With an experimental nature, game-based lessons in this study had barely finished within a limited time without any assessments. Lots of time was spent on game instruction and setup. There was just a debriefing for active students to share their game experiences and reflections without formal knowledge transfer. It is important to note that there may be no time for assessments in measuring students'



learning outcomes in actual practice. In the long-term, problems of teaching failure will occur with numerous uncertainties on how much students learned.

Meanwhile, intense labour is required for high-qualified game-based learning. As most of the students are game beginners, close supervision and guidelines in each group are essential in running smooth game experiences. In the actual practice, teachers who hold the game alone may be overloaded on game setup, timekeeping, and guiding, let alone giving feedback to all students with various game experiences. The ideal solution is to assign teacher assistants in each group to facilitate students' game flow. But it is not feasible to implement in actual school settings with limited staff.

Also, there are limited qualified resources and skills for successful game-based learning design and its implementation. Although game-based learning has become more popular in recent years, most games are entertainment-oriented but irrelevant from the perspective of the learning aims (Clark et al., 2011; Wouters & Oostendorp, 2013). Modification is necessary for educational use. To suit the teaching syllabus, teachers have to tailor one. But another problem occurs, which is difficulties in selecting and integrating suitable games for teaching subject matter. Molin (2017) emphasized certain levels of gaming literacy acquisition in the integration of games into the curricula. This statement supports the fact that effective learning in gaming depends on a high-quality game design under the consideration of students' ability and challenges level. Both pedagogical and practical strategies are needed in promoting efficient and effective game-based learning (Jääskä & Aaltonen; 2022). Yet, as game-based learning is not mainstream in education, there is insufficient training and resources for teachers' application.



## 6.4 Implication: Mixed pedagogies in geography education

Although the application of non-digital games is not common, this study confirms its contributions in teaching factual geography concepts in climate change education (i.e., countries classification and climate change agreement contents) in a motivating atmosphere. Game-based learning is the ideal pedagogy for effective geography learning. Undoubtedly, with the nature of high motivation, games could get students engaged in the geography rationale between the Earth and human society. Game mechanics like role-play, simulation and map features allow students to learn geography in a more dynamic and easy-understanding way. There is unignorable power in the application of participology and geopoly in geography education. Based on literature review and the above findings, it is evident that game-based learning has a reaction to geographical education on the part of how the human world functions.

Unfortunately, due to the practical difficulties and constraints, game-based learning fails to be the dominant pedagogy in the present stage. Nonetheless, it is possible to embed some game qualities into daily lessons to replace drawbacks of traditional rote-learning.

## 6.4.1 Stimulated games as attention gain

At the beginning of a class, teachers should make good use of games as a short warmup and learning target declaration in the first 5 to 10 minutes of class. Attention is crucial in determining students' engagement and learning outcomes. The higher participation a student has, the greater potential to have better academic performance. The first task for teachers is to stimulate student engagement. Game elements in an educational context not only catch students' attention but also act as a channel for students to be open in understanding subject knowledge with situated interest. Children are sensitive to the word 'game' based on the linked perception of enjoyment and fun, which are intrinsic motivators in a psychological perspective. The game brings chances for students to develop prolonged learning interests

after the success of situational interest nourishment (Renninger & Hidi, 2017).



Based on the above findings, game design affects the effectiveness of learning. A warmup should be carefully designed with consideration of students' traits, uniqueness of geography, as well as present learning objectives. It is suggested that the game design (mechanics and dynamics) should aim at a real-world simulation that brings a positive, playful aesthetic. Participology is recommended to satisfy students' psychological needs of self-determination, such as autonomy and competence, ultimately to maximise students' motivation through selfefficacy establishment. If learning objectives are spatial-related, map elements can be adopted in game tasks. Digital map applications like Google Map and Google Earth can be referenced. If learning objectives are related to human intervention and interconnections, simulation and role-play can be considered.

## 6.4.2 Tradition, teacher-orientation as knowledge transfer

There are two types of knowledge in forming cognitive outcomes in the human mind (Peng et al., 2021). They are tacit knowledge and explicit knowledge. One refers to subjective cognition and reflections of an individual's own experience while the latter refers to rational concepts that can be encoded and stored in various physical formats (Astorga-Vargas et al., 2017). Knowledge gained in the warm-up game is tacit only. A clear learning objective is important for students' organization of cognitive learning outcomes. Hence, a short transition statement should be made by the teacher in linking up to lesson learning objectives and focusing on explicit knowledge.

A great proportion of time should be spent on a detailed explanation of subject knowledge by the teacher. Complex rational concepts cannot be explained thoroughly by the educational game (O'Neil, Wainess, & Baker, 2005).

To compensate for this disadvantage of the game, teacher knowledge transfer is essential for a complete understanding. Moreover, as proved that there is no significance between knowledge score mean differences between game-based learning and traditional rotelearning, the latter is a more structured, clear, and effective way of knowledge transmission.



Thus, the traditional pedagogy should be retained as the major part of the lesson. The lesson has to shift from student-oriented to teacher-oriented. As an instructor, the teacher guides students on clarification of game-knowledge connection through direct fact-based learning under better time management.

### 6.4.3 Quiz-form gamification as reinforcement

Educational tools integrated with game elements could be used strategically as reinforcement at the end of the class. Game mechanics for competition, leaderboard and rewards can persist motivation for knowledge consolidation. Game tasks under quiz-form can be applied as the core purpose is to stimulate students' cognitive learning. Digital gamification for learning has become popular in recent years. Kahoot! Nearpod and Quizzes are some examples. Compared to formal, traditional assessments like homework, gamified assessment not only reinforces students' learning outcomes in an interesting and interactive way but also provides an instant report of students' performance.

### 6.5 Limitations of game element implication in geography education

Despite game-based learning strengths that can be extracted, it is not applicable in the whole spectrum of geography. Practices of real-world simulation and participology are more feasible in human geography. In climate change education, it is difficult to merge scientific concepts and natural sciences in classroom short games. Experiential learning like outdoor field trip is more suitable.

Apart from the suitability, the implementation barrier is similar to game-based learning, which is the limited acquisition of gaming literacy. Despite the proposed mixed pedagogy approach had been simplified and shortened, basic game knowledge is still essential. Teachers must spend additional time on game development and invest in the production of teaching materials. Lacking gaming expertise and related resources are difficulties in an effective gaming



implementation. More support from the Education Bureau is required as game specific skills are the foundation of designing effective learning through games.

Meanwhile, concepts of learning through games are new to both educators and the general public. Promotion of gamification may be required in raising the public acceptance towards gaming in classroom settings, otherwise, parents may complain and express their concerns of impropriety.



#### 7. Conclusion and Limitations

Climate change has become a pressing environmental issue for humans. There have been increasing calls from the international community to stress the importance of climate change education under geographical curriculum in raising our next generation's awareness of climate change-related issues. Whilst environmental education has a rather long history, climate change education has been a recent phenomenon. This study has aimed to identify the best pedagogical practices that can promote climate change education. The study compares traditional rote-learning, gamification and game-based learning in terms of their effectiveness. It has been found from the study that while gamification and game-based learning has boosted students' engagement in the area of climate change, their effect on the knowledge level of the students fluctuated. For this reason, this study argues that a mixed pedagogy has the potential to be further applied in climate change education as well as human geographies. Hence, students can not only have joyful and meaningful learning experiences but appreciate the importance of climate change in the ever-changing world.

Nevertheless, the limitations of this study are the short experimental period and unstandardised sample sizes. Due to practical constraints, the data collocation time is restricted to two 30-minutes lessons per class. The target population of each class is fixed and pre-set. For future research, on a larger scale, the longer period experiment could be carried out on diverse populations such as gender and school brandings. Apart from the research collection settings, further study shall shed some light on the relationship between game design and cognitive learning outcomes along with other possible factors.



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# 9. Appendix

# 9.1 Control group

9.1.1 Lesson plan

Class Level : S.3A

**Date of lesson** : 11/11/2021

**Duration** : 30 minutes

Name of unit/ theme : Global Warming

Map reading skills Issue/ Problem/ Topic : What has been done by the international community?

# Teaching Objectives/ Learning Outcomes (Knowledge / Skills / Attitudes) :

At the end of the lesson, students should be able to :

Knowledge:

To identify the national country in terms of development level

To explain the national contracts in coping climate change



## **Teaching resources / Tools / Equipment :**

PowerPoint, Notes

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#### Blackboard/Whiteboard Layout:

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Students' Previous Knowledge :

N/A

## **Potential Learning Difficulties :**

Students have low motivation for learning geography. Various learning activities are needed.

Students have slow handwriting, thus; more time is needed to meet their needs.

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Time	Learning outcomes	Teaching Activities	Students' Tasks	Teaching Resources /
(Min)	/ Teaching Points /			Assessment / Remarks
	Content			
5	Introduction on today's theme: Global warming	Distribute questionnaires to Ss	- Make notes	PowerPoint 1-2 <u>https://www.youtube.com/</u>
		<i>We always hear about global warming but what is it actually?</i> <i>This video briefly explains it.</i>		watch /v=w DIQoZ4bgBg
		Raise Ss attention on the national solutions in coping with global warming : Global warming is a pressing issue and the national community makes some conferences for adaptation. Can you give some examples?	(Expected response) : Paris Agreement	



		(If no responses from Ss, give guideline) : What did the previous American President Donald Trump did in regard to environment policy? : Yes. All countries have their autonomy and decision-making in dealing with climate issues, including the national cooperation conference. Today, we are going to a group competition while learning. Please pay attention.	: Deprioritize climate action.	
10	To identify the national country in	- Briefly explain the definition of developed countries and developing countries	- Make notes	PowerPoint 3
	terms of development level	: There are some standards differentiating the countries. They are economic level, living standards and technology levels. Now, based on you and your groupmates understanding, try to do the matching.		Textbook P.4
			(Expected responses)	



		- Ask Ss to spend 5 minutes think of examples in developed	- USA: More-	
		countries and developing countries based on their own	developed countries;	
		understanding.	China: Less-developed	
			countries	
			-Make notes	
		- Show the correct answer		
		- Explain why China belongs to developing countries		
10	To explain the	Show a timeline with national contract listed	- Make notes	PowerPoint 4-6
	national contracts	: In history, the national community has been working on national		
	in coping climate	contracts to alleviate climate change		
	change			


		Show a line graph about the trend of increasing global temperature for explaining the Paris Agreement content	
5	Consolidation and summary	-Summarize the present national cooperation situation - Raise a question about why some countries quit the contract based on countries development level : The national cooperation did have conflicts. Based on your game experiences, try to think of the reason for quitting the contracts. Next lesson, we will continue on the game and have a deep look on the present situation.	PowerPoint 10



Class Level : S.3A

**Date of lesson** : 15/11/2021

**Duration** : 30 minutes

Name of unit/ theme: Global Warming

Map reading skills Issue/ Problem/ Topic: What has been done by the international community?

### Teaching Objectives/ Learning Outcomes (Knowledge / Skills / Attitudes) :

At the end of the lesson, students should be able to:

Knowledge:

To identify the national country in terms of development level

To explain the national contracts in coping climate change

To illustrate controversial arguments of countries withdrawn

### Teaching resources / Tools / Equipment :

PowerPoint, Notes



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### Blackboard/Whiteboard Layout:

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#### Students' Previous Knowledge :

To identify the national country in terms of development level

To explain the national contracts in coping climate change

### **Potential Learning Difficulties :**

Students have low motivation for learning geography. Various learning activities are needed.

Students have slow handwriting, thus; more time is needed to meet their needs.



Time(Min)	Learning outcomes / Teaching	Teaching Activities	Students'	Teaching Resources /
	Points / Content		Tasks	Assessment / Remarks
5	Recall memories	-Show the countries classification according to their		PowerPoint 3-6
		development level		
10	To illustrate controversial	- Emphasis on the actual national cooperation situation	- Make notes	PowerPoint 7-8
	arguments of countries,	: The fact is that not all countries are willing to operate on the		
	withdraw	issue of climate change. Countries like the USA had quit. Can	(Expected	Textbook P.4
		you estimate the reasons?	responses)	
			- Poor; unfair	
10	To illustrate controversial	-Briefly explain the properties of developed countries and	- Make notes	PowerPoint 9-11
	arguments of countries	developing countries		
	withdraw			
5	Consolidation and summary	-Summarize the present national cooperation situation		PowerPoint 16
		-Distribute questionnaires to Ss		



### 9.1.2 Teaching materials



發展中國家	例如:
具有較低	中國 印度
→ 生活質素	肯亞 阿富汗
→ <u>發達經濟</u>	沙地阿拉伯
→先進技術基礎設施	

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# 9.2 Experimental group I

9.2.1 Lesson plan Class Level : S.3B

**Date of lesson** : 11/11/2021

**Duration** : 30 minutes

Name of unit/ theme: Global Warming

Map reading skills Issue/ Problem/ Topic: What has been done by the international community?

Teaching Objectives/ Learning Outcomes (Knowledge / Skills / Attitudes) :

At the end of the lesson, students should be able to :

Knowledge:

To identify the national country in terms of development level

To explain the national contracts in coping climate change

To illustrate controversial arguments of countries withdrawn



#### Teaching resources / Tools / Equipment:

### PowerPoint, Notes

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#### Blackboard/Whiteboard Layout:

N/A

### Students' Previous Knowledge:

N/A

#### **Potential Learning Difficulties :**

Students have low motivation for learning geography. Various learning activities are needed.

Students have slow handwriting, thus; more time is needed to meet their needs.



Time	Learning	Teaching Activities	Students' Tasks	Teaching Resources /
(Min)	outcomes /			Assessment / Remarks
	Teaching Points			
	/ Content			
5	Introduction on	Distribute questionnaires to Ss		PowerPoint 1-2
	today's theme:		- Make notes	
	Global warming		Make notes	https://www.youtube.com/
		Show a video about global warming and its effects		watch?v=WDIQbZ4bgBg
		: We always hear about global warming but what is it acutally?		
		This video briefly explains it.		
		Raise Ss attention on the national solutions in coping with global		
		warming		



		<ul> <li>: Global warming is a pressing issue, and the national community makes some conferences for adaptation. Can you give some examples?</li> <li>(If no responses from Ss, give guideline)</li> <li>: What did the previous American President Donald Trump do in regard to environment policy?</li> <li>: Yes. All countries have their autonomy and decision-making in dealing with climate issues, including the national cooperation conference. Today, we are going to a group competition while learning. Please pay attention</li> </ul>	(Expected response) : Paris Agreement : Deprioritize climate action.	
15	To identify the	Activity: Group Competition Briefly explain the definition of developed countries and	- Make notes	PowerPoint 3-4
	in terms of	developing countries		Textbook P.4



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5	To explain the	- Show a timeline with national contract listed	- Make notes	PowerPoint 7-10
	national	: In history, the national community has been working on national		
	contracts in	contracts to alleviate climate change		
	coping climate			
	change	-Show a line graph about the trend of increasing global		
		temperature for explaining the Paris Agreement content		
5	Consolidation	-Summarize the present national cooperation situation		PowerPoint 10
	and summary			
		-Raise a question about why some countries quit the contract based		
		on countries development level		
		: In reality, the national cooperation did have conflicts. Based on		
		your game experiences, Try to think of the reason for quitting the		
		contracts. Next lesson, we will continue on the game and have a		
		deep look on the present situation.		



Class Level : S.3B

**Date of lesson** : 15/11/2021

**Duration** : 30 minutes

Name of unit/ theme: Global Warming

Map reading skills Issue/ Problem/ Topic : What has been done by the international community?

## Teaching Objectives/ Learning Outcomes (Knowledge / Skills / Attitudes) :

At the end of the lesson, students should be able to :

Knowledge:

To identify the national country in terms of development level

To explain the national contracts in coping climate change

To illustrate controversial arguments of countries withdrawn

Teaching resources / Tools / Equipment:

PowerPoint, Notes



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# Blackboard/Whiteboard Layout:

N/A

# Students' Previous Knowledge :

To identify the national country in terms of development level

To explain the national contracts in coping climate change

# **Potential Learning Difficulties :**

Students have low motivation for learning geography. Various learning activities are needed.

Students have slow hand-writing, thus; more time is needed to meet their needs.



Time(Min)	Learning outcomes / Teaching	Teaching Activities	Students' Tasks	Teaching Resources /
	Points / Content			Assessment / Remarks
5	Recall memories	-Show the countries classification according to their		PowerPoint 4-7
		development level		
		-Distribute group works to Ss		
5	To illustrate controversial	- Emphasis on the actual national cooperation situation	- Make notes	PowerPoint 9-10
	arguments of countries	: The fact is that not all countries are willing to operate		
	withdraw	on the issue of climate change.		Textbook P.4
15	To illustrate controversial	Activity : Group Competition II		PowerPoint 12
	arguments of countries	Briefly explain the properties of developed countries and		
	withdraw	developing countries		
			- Discuss with	
			groupmates	



		- Ask Ss to rearrange the given statement into developed countries and developing countries based on their own understanding.		
		-Collect Ss' group work	- Make notes	PowerPoint 13-15
		- Show the correct answer		
5	Consolidation and summary	-Summarize the present national cooperation situation		PowerPoint 16
		-Distribute questionnaires to Ss		



# 9.2.2 Teaching materials



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→先進技術基礎設施				
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<ul> <li> <b>發展中國家</b> 具有較低         <ul> <li>→ 生活質素             </li> <li>→ 登達經濟             </li> <li>→ 先進技術基礎設施         </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	例如: 中國印度 肯亞 阿富汗 沙地阿拉伯

















# 9.3 Experimental group II

9.3.1 Lesson plan Class Level : S.3C

**Date of lesson** : 11/11/2021

**Duration** : 30 minutes

Name of unit/ theme: Global Warming

Map reading skills Issue/ Problem/ Topic : What has been done by the international community?

Teaching Objectives/ Learning Outcomes (Knowledge / Skills / Attitudes) :

At the end of the lesson, students should be able to:

Knowledge:

To identify the national country in terms of development level

To explain the national contracts in coping climate change

To illustrate controversial arguments of countries withdrawn



#### Teaching resources / Tools / Equipment:

PowerPoint, Card games, Game instruction video

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#### Blackboard/Whiteboard Layout:

N/A

#### Students' Previous Knowledge:

N/A

#### **Potential Learning Difficulties :**

Students have low motivation for learning geography. Various learning activities are needed.



Time	Learning	Teaching Activities	Students' Tasks	Teaching Resources /
(Min)	outcomes /			Assessment / Remarks
	Teaching			
	Points /			
	Content			
5	Introduction	Distribute questionnaires to Ss		PowerPoint 1
	on today's		- Make notes	
	theme: Global		- Make notes	https://www.youtube.com/
	warming	Show a video about global warming and its effects		watch?v=WDIQbZ4bgBg
		<i>We always hear about global warming but what is it actually? This</i>		
		video briefly explains it.		
			(Expected response)	
		Raise Ss attention on the national solutions in coping with global	: Paris Agreement	
		warming		



		<ul> <li>: Global warming is a pressing issue, and the national community makes some conferences for adaptation. Can you give some examples?</li> <li>(If no responses from Ss, give guideline)</li> <li>: What did the previous American President Donald Trump do in regard to environment policy?</li> </ul>	: Deprioritize climate action.	
		: Yes. All countries have their autonomy and decision-making in dealing with climate issues, including the national cooperation conference. Today, we are going to play a game. The fate of the Earth and a country's development depends on each of you. Before we start the game, let's take a look at the game instructions and rules.		
5	Introducing the game rules	Introduce the game mode and Ss targets Display cards in PowerPoint Explain the meanings of each set of cards Play a video about the game flow		PowerPoint 2 PowerPoint 4-7



15	To identify the	Activity: Group Competition		
	national	-Show the game flow and timer in the projector		PowerPoint 8
	country in		Dlay cards	
	terms of		- Flay Calus	
	development	Distribute card game in each group		
	level			
		- Set time limit for playing the card game		
	To explain the			
	national	- Assist groups that need help		
	contracts in			
	coping climate			
	change			
5	Consolidation	-Debriefing with Ss on the playing experience	(Expected response)	
	and summary	: How many resource cards do you have at the end of the game?	: 1 /2 /3 /4 /5	
		: If you have no resource cards, what makes you contribute all your		
		cards?		



			: Aimed at
		: If you have many resource cards left, what encourages you to keep	implementing the
		them?	contract to meet target
			: Focus on my own
		: Is there any conflict between your group's cooperation, such as negotiating the contract to be implemented or who should contribute more resources cards?	country development
			in purpose to be
			individual winner
			: Some members reject
			to join the contract,
		- Raise a question about why some countries quit the contract	rising the difficulty of
		: In reality, the national cooperation did have conflicts. Based on your	contract
		game experiences, Try to think of the reason for quitting the contracts.	implementation
		Next lesson, we will continue on the game and have a deep look on the	
		present situation.	:Selfish?



Class Level : S.3C

**Date of lesson** : 16/11/2021

**Duration** : 30 minutes

Name of unit/ theme: Global Warming

Map reading skills Issue/ Problem/ Topic: What has been done by the international community?

# Teaching Objectives/ Learning Outcomes (Knowledge / Skills / Attitudes) :

At the end of the lesson, students should be able to :

Knowledge:

To identify the national country in terms of development level

To explain the national contracts in coping climate change

To illustrate controversial arguments of countries, withdraw

# Teaching resources / Tools / Equipment:

PowerPoint, Card games, Game instruction video



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### Blackboard/Whiteboard Layout:

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#### Students' Previous Knowledge :

N/A

**Potential Learning Difficulties :** 

Students have low motivation for learning geography. Various learning activities are needed.

Time(Min)	Learning outcomes /	Teaching Activities	Students' Tasks	Teaching Resources /
	Teaching Points / Content			Assessment / Remarks



3	Recall memories	Show a video about the game instruction		PowerPoint 1-7
		: As a quick recall, let's have a look at the game	-Watch video	
		instruction video.		
		Briefly explain the cards in Powerpoint		
15		Activity : Group Competition		PowerPoint 8
		Distribute card game in each group		
		- Set time limit for playing the card game	- Play cards	
		-Assist groups that need help		
7		- Ask Ss about their playing experiences		
	To explain the national contracts in coping climate	- Explain the concepts included in the card game : As mentioned in the previous lesson, a similar	-Make notes	Powerpoint 10
	change	situation is occurring in reality. All contracts in the		
		game are real. They are		



	To identify the national		(expected responses)	Powerpoint 11-16
	country in terms of	-Explain the country distribution referring to the game	: More-developed	
	development level	: What does the blue team and red team mean?	countries ; Less-	
			developed countries	
			: More-developed	
		<i>:What are the main differences between them?</i>	countries are richer	
		: Absolutely. Apart from the economic level, there are		
		more standards to differentiate them. They are living		
	To illustrate controversial	standards, technology levels.		
	arguments of countries			
	withdraw	- Describe the reasons of countries rejecting the		
		participation of national contracts		
5	Consolidation and summary	-Summarize the present national cooperation situation		
		-Distribute questionnaires to Ss		



# 9.3.2 Teaching materials



















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課後評鑑問卷(學生填寫)

班級:

性别:男/女

這份問卷所得資料主要用作學術研究用途,希望你能根據課節的實際情況作答。請仔 細閱讀下列句子,然後在適當的空格內加上"✓"。此問卷以不記名方式填寫,所有資 料絕對保密。

	完	非	稍	非常	完全
	全	常	微	不同	不同
	同	同	同	意	意
	査	査	意		
1. 我喜歡此課節的學習模式。					
2. 老師所用的教法生動有趣。					
3. 我投入此課節的活動。					
4. 此課節的教材能引起我的注意力。					
5. 此課節引起我對地理科的學習動機。					
6. 我曾詢問與地理課程內容有關的其他知識。					
7. 此課節的學習目標十分清晰。					
8. 此課節所學的知識與現實生活有直接關連。					



9. 此課節讓我更關注全球暖化議題及國際間的對策。			
10. 我能夠將此課節所學的知識應用於了解及分析國際 合作上。			
11. 我完全掌握此課節所學的知識。			
12. 我有信心能說出國際就全球暖化定下的協議及內容。			
13. 此課節增加我地對地理科學習內容的了解。			
14. 如果我努力學習,我會在地理科中表現良好。			
15. 我很開心能夠完成課節中的各項任務。			
16.我很開心能夠參與此課節。			
17. 在得到老師或同學的讚美時,我感到自豪。			
18. 老師或同學的正面回饋對我在地理科學習上很重要。			
19. 我較懂得積極地面對難題。			
20. 我樂意在小組活動中分擔一部分工作。			
21. 我懂得如何在小組活動中和組員合作。			
22. 總的來說,我對此課節活動感到滿意。			
23. 我參與這個課節沒有感到壓力。			



你對這個課程活動有其他意見嗎?(例如:活動量、習作安排、使用的教具等)

謝謝!



# 9.5 Motivational test (for analysis)

課後評鑑問卷:供分析用

班級:

性别:男/女

這份問卷所得資料主要用作學術研究用途,希望你能根據課節的實際情況作答。請仔 細閱讀下列句子,然後在適當的空格內加上"✔"。此問卷以不記名方式填寫,所有資 料絕對保密。

		完	非	稍	非常	完全
		全	常	微	不同	不同
		同	同	同	意	意
		意	袍	意		
注意	1. 我喜歡此課節的學習模式。					
	2. 老師所用的教法生動有趣。					
	3. 我投入此課節的活動。					
	4. 此課節的教材能引起我的注意力。					
	5. 此課節引起我對地理科的學習動機。					
	6. 我曾詢問與地理課程內容有關的其他知					
	識。					
相關	7. 此課節的學習目標十分清晰。					



	8. 此課節所學的知識與現實生活有直接關 連。					
	9. 此課節讓我更關注全球暖化議題及國際 間的對策。					
	10. 我能夠將此課節所學的知識應用於了 解及分析國際合作上。					
信心	11. 我完全掌握此課節所學的知識。					
	12. 我有信心能說出國際就全球暖化定下 的協議及內容。					
	13. 此課節增加我地對地理科學習內容的 了解。					
	14. 如果我努力學習,我會在地理科中表現良好。					
滿足	15. 我很開心能夠完成課節中的各項任務。					
	16.我很開心能夠參與此課節。					
		完	非	稍	非常	完全
		全	常	微	不同	不同
					意	意



		同	同	同		
		意	意	畜		
	17. 在得到老師或同學的讚美時,我感到 自豪。					
	18. 老師或同學的正面回饋對我在地理科 學習上很重要。					
個人成長及社	19. 我較懂得積極地面對難題。					
交能力	20. 我樂意在小組活動中分擔一部分工 作。					
	21. 我懂得如何在小組活動中和組員合作。					
對課程整體意 見	22. 總的來說,我對此課節活動感到滿 意。					
	23. 我參與這個課節沒有感到壓力。					
你對這個課程活動有其他意見嗎?(例如:活動量、習作安排、使用的教具等)						

謝謝!



#### 9.6 Knowledge test

#### 1.請按以下國家的發展程度分類。

A. 中國	B. 美國	C. 印度
D. 俄羅斯	E. 日本	F. 肯亞

已發展國家:\_\_\_\_\_\_

發展中國家:\_\_\_\_\_

### 2.請就下列協議及相關內容配對。

德班氣候會議	•	● 淘汰有毒的化學冷卻劑-氫氟碳化合物 (HFC)。
京都議定書	•	設立綠色氣候基金協助貧窮國家。
蒙特婁議定書	•	所有國家都同意合力將全球平均氣温的升 幅限制在比工業化前的水平高2℃以下。
基加利修正案	-	設立「配額買賣制度」。
巴黎協議	•	已發展國家和發展中國家應先後淘汰化學 物質氯氟烴(CFC)。

3. 儘管需要國際合作才能對抗氣候變化,但已發展國家和發展中國家在承擔氣候變化 責任的問題上出現分歧。以下為部分爭議點:

### (請圏出正確答案。)

- a. (已發展國家/發展中國家)比較早已開始發展,大部分温室氣體都是由(已發展國家/發展中國家)製造的。
- b. (已發展國家/發展中國家)缺乏資金和技術對抗氣候變化。
- c. 國家發展程度不一,視對抗氣候變化為國際責任並不公平,無疑剝削了(已發展國家/發展中國家)經濟發展的權利。
- d. 國際會議部分條文涉及協助他國發展,額外開支妨礙(已發展國家/發展中國家) 的經濟發展和降低人民生活水平。
- e. 國際會議部分條文(已發展國家/發展中國家)無須承擔任何責任,對(已發展國家/發展中國家)有欠公允。



#### 9.7 Knowledge test (answer)

### 1. 請按以下國家的發展程度分類。

B. 中國	C. 美國	D. 印度
E. 俄羅斯	F. 日本	G. 肯亞

已發展國家: B., D., E. 發展中國家: A., C., F.

## 2. 請就下列協議及相關內容配對。



# 3. 儘管需要國際合作才能對抗氣候變化,但已發展國家和發展中國家在承擔氣候變化 責任的問題上出現分歧。

以下為部分爭議點:(請圈出正確答案。)

(已發展國家/發展中國家)比較早已開始發展,大部分温室氣體都是由(已發 a. 展國家/發展中國家)製造的。

- (已發展國家/發展中國家)缺乏資金和技術對抗氣候變化。 b.
- 國家發展程度不一,視對抗氣候變化為國際責任並不公平,無疑剝削了(已發展國 c. 家/發展中國家)經濟發展的權利。
- 國際會議部分條文涉及協助他國發展,額外開支妨礙(已發展國家/發展中國家) d. 的經濟發展和降低人民生活水平。
- 國際會議部分條文(已發展國家/發展中國家)無須承擔任何責任,對(已發展國 e. 家/發展中國家)有欠公允。

