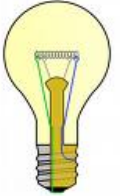




You Light Up My Life

Organizing Theme: How We Express Ourselves

Description: An inquiry into the ways in which we discover and express ideas, feelings, nature, culture, beliefs and values; the ways in which we reflect on, extend and enjoy our creativity; our appreciation of the aesthetic.



Subject Focus: This unit is linked to the Ontario Curriculum Science unit on Light & Sound as well as the Ontario Curriculum Language unit on Media Literacy.

Central Idea: The manipulation of sound and light can impact the way communication occurs.

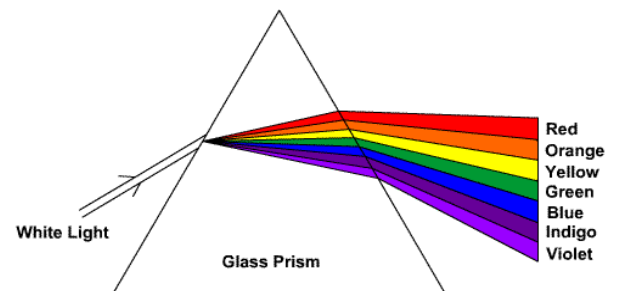
Inquiry Into:

- Characteristics and properties of sound and light
- How sound and light are used in communication
- How and why the media manipulates messages
- Critical evaluation of advertisements and media messages

Suggestions for Activities At Home:

While watching television discuss with your daughter the message commercials are conveying and discuss how and why they are sending that message.

Explore with your daughter samples of advertising in print, television and radio. Critically interpret the advertisement's message, music, images and target audience.



Encourage your daughter to investigate sources of light and distinguish between objects that emit their own light and those that reflect light from other sources.

While listening to music or sounds in nature, discuss with your daughter how sound travels and how sound can be absorbed, reflected or modified.

Help your daughter look for articles in magazines, newspapers or online relating to sound, light or media. Your daughter can bring the articles to present to the class.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience.

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