

The Hero's Legacy: Time Capsule Celebration

(Year 6 - Ages 11-12):

Lesson 9 of 9

Lesson Overview

Lesson Title:	The Hero's Legacy: Time Capsule Celebration
Year Level:	Year 6 (Ages 11-12)
Lesson Duration:	60 minutes
Key Focus Areas:	Reflection, Synthesis, Legacy, Future Commitment, and Symbolic Representation of Unit Themes.
Curriculum Links:	<p>Australian Curriculum – Health and Physical Education (Foundation)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>AC9HP6P10</u>: Analyse how behaviours influence the health, safety, relationships, and wellbeing of individuals and communities (linked to taking personal action/responsibility).• <u>AC9E6LY06</u>: Plan, create, edit and publish informative and persuasive texts... selecting text structures, language features, and visual features to suit the purpose and audience.• <u>AC9AVA6C01</u>: Develop and apply techniques and processes in art making to express ideas, perspectives, and/or feelings (linked to creating the symbolic artifact).

Learning Intentions

- Reflect on and consolidate the core scientific, ethical, and altruistic themes learned across the entire nine-lesson unit.
- Analyze which key metaphor or fact holds the most personal meaning or importance to them as they move into their future (Grade 7).
- Express their understanding of altruism and Legacy through the design of a creative, symbolic artifact.
- Recognize the Hero's Pledge as a profound and ultimate act of leaving a positive legacy for the wider community's well-being.

Success Criteria

- Articulate the meaning of one key concept or metaphor (e.g., "The Master Key," "The Gift of Time," "The Domino Effect").
- Design a single, symbolic artifact that clearly represents their chosen key concept for future reflection.
- Explain why their chosen artifact is important enough to be sealed in a time capsule (metacognition).
- Share one final positive message of kindness and civic contribution learned from the unit.



Teaching Sequence

Work through this lesson in the following sequence:

Duration	Part	Focus
10 minutes	Part A: The Final Review	Introduction, final review of the Metaphor Wall (The Hero's Journey), and setting up the Time Capsule concept.
15 minutes	Part B: Choosing the Legacy	Individual Reflection: Students select the most important Key Concept they want to commit to the future (Worksheet Activity 1).
25 minutes	Part C: Creating the Artifact	Creative Workshop: Students design and build their Symbolic Artifact and complete the Time Capsule Label (Worksheet Activity 2 & 3).
10 minutes	Part D: Sealing the Commitment	Artifact Presentation, Final Reflection on the Hero's Pledge, and the ceremonial Sealing of the Time Capsule.

Part A: The Final Review (10 minutes)

Step 1. The Final Hook

- Gather students near the Metaphor Wall. Say: "We have completed the Hero's Journey! We have witnessed the Domino Effect (L1), found the Master Key (L5), and learned about Legacy (L7). Today, we decide which single truth about kindness is so important it must be saved for the future."

Step 2. Unit Synthesis

- Briefly point to and review the major visual concepts on the wall (Dominoes, Master Key Data, Legacy Letter). Ask students for their favourite metaphor from the unit.

Part B: Choosing the Legacy (15 minutes)

Step 1. Individual Reflection (Worksheet Activity 1)

- Distribute the "My Legacy Artifact & Commitment" worksheet. Students choose their single most important Key Concept (e.g., The Gift of Time, The Ethical Pledge). They must justify why it's the most heroic truth.

Step 2. Planning the Artifact

- Students look at the examples for Activity 2 and plan their symbolic design (e.g., drawing a heart with ripples for "Domino Effect").



Part C: Creating the Artifact (25 minutes)

Step 1. Creative Workshop (Visual Arts Link)

- Distribute card stock and craft supplies. Students design and build their small, symbolic artifact. Circulate and guide: Ensure the artifact clearly represents the idea they chose (Focus on symbolism, not art quality).

Step 2. Completing the Commitment (Worksheet Activity 3)

- Students complete the Time Capsule Label, writing their Most Important Message for the Future and their Final Hero's Pledge (their personal commitment to kindness/communication).

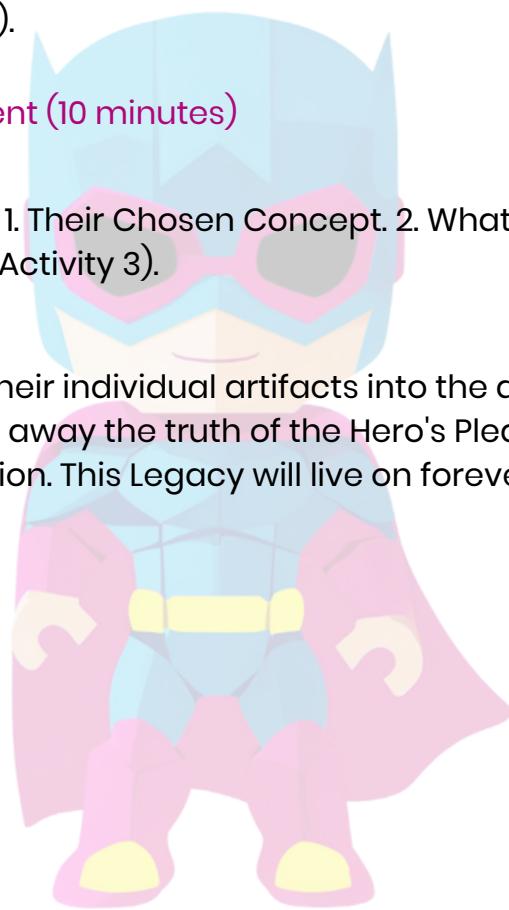
Part D: Sealing the Commitment (10 minutes)

Step 1. Artifact Presentation

- Ask 4-5 students to share: 1. Their Chosen Concept. 2. What their Artifact is. 3. Their Final Hero's Pledge (Worksheet Activity 3).

Step 2. The Ceremony

- Lead the class in placing their individual artifacts into the decorated Hero's Legacy Time Capsule box. Say: "We seal away the truth of the Hero's Pledge—a pledge to kindness, respect, and communication. This Legacy will live on forever."



Differentiated Learning

- Extension:
 - Challenge students to write a short paragraph from the perspective of their artifact 100 years from now (e.g., "I am the Master Key, and I was created to prove that communication is the most powerful gift.").
- Learning Support:
 - Provide pre-cut geometric shapes (circles, squares, keys) for students to decorate and use as their artifact. Scribe the Final Hero's Pledge for students who struggle with writing, focusing on their verbal commitment.

Teacher Reflection

- Did the lesson successfully synthesize all the unit's concepts (L1-L8)? Did the students' final commitment reflect a positive and informed understanding of Legacy and Altruism?

Assessment

- Worksheet (Activity 1/3): Assess the justification for the chosen Key Concept and the content of the Final Hero's Pledge (does it focus on kindness, communication, or commitment?).
- Artifact: Assess the clarity and thoughtfulness of the symbolism created.

Additional Notes:

This final lesson successfully completes the Year 6 curriculum. It uses the themes of Music/Art to Inspire Action (from the senior curriculum) to create a profound, reflective conclusion. The entire unit's learning is anchored in the students' personal commitment to carry the positive, respectful message of the Hero's Pledge into their future (Grade 7).

