What's the Emotional Syllabus about?

The Emotional Syllabus is one of the resources we offer as part of the Cambridge Learning Journey. As you may already know, the Cambridge Learning Journey is the educational route which Cambridge University Press offers young learners from infancy up to late adolescence through its courses and accompanying resources. The aim of this learning journey is to help young learners not only become academically competent adults, but also to gain emotional and social competences.

Recent psychological studies have shown that a developed emotional competence favours both our social adaptation and the resolution of conflicts, but also improves our academic performance, our ability to make decisions and our well-being.

Our emotional education starts at an early age. After only a few months, a baby can express such emotions as surprise, anger, happiness and even fear. In the first few years other emotions begin to surface, such as love, sadness, shame and disgust. Children also learn how to recognise emotions in others and develop self-control mechanisms. In general, when children are around seven or eight years old they have a well-established understanding of their own emotions and those of others and begin to be able to talk about them. But their emotional education does not end at this point. In the following years of adolescence there is still a lot to learn and discover. They find that they begin to feel different emotions at the same time, which can cause complex mood swings where, for example, enthusiasm could have its origins in another emotion, such as love. Luckily, at this stage, they have more resources to control their emotions, amongst these is the capacity to make value judgements or to be aware of the consequences of the decisions they make when influenced by their emotions. They feel a deep need to create and maintain friendships, where the expression of and openness to emotions are key, along with the ability to positively impress others.

From a pedagogical perspective, it is a question of helping them identify and recognise both their own emotions and those of others, to control their reactions to situations which affect them in order to give an adequate response, to develop empathy and the ability to listen, so their relationships with others are friendly and honest. This will arm them with the capacity to construct the emotional states they need to deal with everyday situations and feel physically and mentally healthy.

The ideas put forward in the work of Rafael Bisquerra Alzina and Núria Pérez Escoda (2007) have been used as a point of reference to draw up an Emotional Syllabus, which includes a list of the emotions present in our materials along with each of the related emotional competences, teaching notes and extra worksheets full of ideas for working with the emotions and their competences in the classroom.





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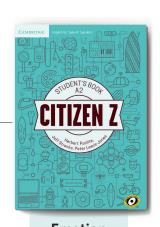
	Unit		B section	Emotion	Emotional competences
1	One world	p15	Think self-esteem	Happiness	Self-management > Generate positive emotions and enjoy life. Self-motivation > Have a positive image of yourself. Get emotionally involved in the positive aspects of your life.
2	I feel happy	p23	Think values	Sadness	Self-management > Reduce the length and intensity of negative emotions. Life and well-being awareness > Contribute to other's well-being. Look for help and resources.
3	Me and my family	p35	Think values	Love	Self-awareness > Name your emotions. Self-management > Be able to express your emotions appropriately.
4	In the city	p45	Think values	Pride	Self-management > Generate positive emotions and enjoy life. Self-motivation > Get emotionally involved in the positive aspects of your life.
5	In my free time	p57	Think values	Solitude	Self-management > Be perseverant. Generate positive emotions and enjoy life. Self-motivation > Have the capacity for self-motivation. Be resilient.
6	Friends	р67	Reading	Admiration	Self-motivation > Have a positive image of yourself. Social awareness > Show respect to others. Understand that in human relationships sincerity and reciprocity are fundamental.
7	Sporting life	p86	Life skills	Frustration	Life and well-being awareness > Have the capacity to enjoy positive experiences in all areas of life: work, social and personal. Self-management > Control your impulses. Manage frustration.
8	Dance to the music	p88	Reading	Passion	Life and well-being awareness > Have the capacity to enjoy positive experiences in all areas of life: work, social and personal. Self-motivation > Have a positive image of yourself.
9	Would you like dessert?	p108	Life skills	Gratefulness	Self-management > be able to express your emotions appropriately. Social-awareness > control basic social abilities: showing thanks.
10	High flyers	p111	Reading	Courage	Self-motivation > Make sure there is harmony between your emotions and moral values. > Be responsible for making decisions and behaving in a safe, healthy and ethical manner.
11	A world of animals	p130	Life skills	Anxiety	Self-awareness > Name your emotions. Self-management > Be conscious of how emotions influence behaviour. Reduce the length and intensity of negative emotions.
12	Getting about	p136	Reading	Enthusiasm	Self-motivation > Have the capacity for self-motivation. > Feel optimistic and capable, intend to make the world a better place.







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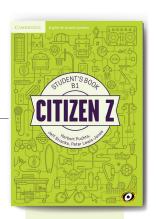
	Unit		B section	Emotion	Emotional competences
1	Having fun	p13-14	Reading pages	Happiness	Self-management > Generate positive emotions and enjoy life. Life and well-being awareness > Have the capacity to enjoy your own well-being.
2	Money and how to spend it	p23	Think values	Satisfaction	Self-motivation > Have a positive image of yourself. > Accept your own emotions even if they're not socially accepted.
3	Food for life	p42	Life skills	Remorse	Social awareness > Control basic social abilities: asking for forgiveness. > Understand that in human relationships sincerity and reciprocity are fundamental.
4	Family ties	p45	Think values	Love	Social awareness > Show respect to others. > Have the capacity to prevent and resolve interpersonal conflicts.
5	It feels like home	p62	Life skills	Compassion	Self-motivation > Make sure there is harmony between your emotions and moral values. Social awareness > Show respect to others.
6	Best friends	p72	Culture	Acceptance	Social awareness > Understand that in human relationships sincerity and reciprocity are fundamental. > Be assertive.
7	The easy life	p86	Life skills	Empathy	Self-motivation > Be resilient. Life and well-being awareness > Take responsibility for making decisions using ethical criteria.
8	Sporting moments	p89	Think values	Frustration	Self-management > Be perseverant. Self-motivation > Have the capacity for self-motivation.
9	The wonders of the world	p103	Think values	Courage	Self-management > Be conscious of how emotions influence behaviour. > Reduce the length and intensity of negative emotions.
10	Around town	p114	Reading	Discouragement	Life and well-being awareness > Take responsibility for making decisions using social criteria. > Be an active, civic and responsible citizen.
11	Future bodies	p130	Life skills	Anger	Self-management > Reduce the length and intensity of negative emotions. > Be conscious of how emotions influence behaviour.
12	Traveller's tales	p133	Think values	Compassion	Life and well-being awareness > Be an active, civic and responsible citizen. > Have the capacity to enjoy positive experiences in all areas of life: work, social and personal.



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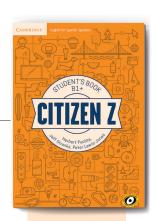
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	Unit		B section	Emotion	Emotional competences
1	Amazing people	p13	Think values	Admiration	Social awareness > Show respect to others. Life and well-being awareness > Have the capacity to enjoy positive experiences in all areas of life: work, social and personal.
2	The ways we learn	p23	Think values	Enthusiasm	Life and well-being awareness > Take responsibility for making decisions using safety criteria. Social awareness > Be capable of cooperating with others.
3	That's entertainment	p42	Life skills	Excitement	Self-management > Be perseverant. Life and well-being awareness > Have the capacity to set ourselves positive and realistic goals.
4	Social networking	p45	Think values	Serenity	Life and well-being awareness > Be an active, civic and responsible citizen. > Take responsibility for making decisions using safety criteria.
5	My life in music	p57	Think values	Pride	Self-motivation > Have a positive image of yourself. Life and well-being awareness > Have the capacity to enjoy positive experiences in all areas of life: work, social and personal.
6	Making a difference	р67	Think values	Compassion	Life and well-being awareness > Be an active, civic and responsible citizen. Social awareness > Be capable of cooperating with others.
7	Future fun	p86	Life skills	Acceptance	Social awareness > Control basic social abilities: having an open attitude to dialogue. Self-management > Manage frustration.
8	Science counts	p89	Think values	Euphoria	Self-motivation > Feel optimistic and capable, intend to make the world a better place. Life and well-being awareness > Contribute to others' well-being.
9	What a job!	p100	Think values	Satisfaction	Self-motivation > Get emotionally involved in the positive aspects of your life. Life and well-being awareness > Have the capacity to enjoy positive experiences in all areas of life: work, social and personal.
10	Keep healthy	p111	Think values	Passion	Self-management > Be perseverant. Self-motivation > Be resilient.
11	Making the news	p130	Life skills	Anger	Self-management > Control your impulses. Social awareness > Be assertive.
12	Playing by the rules	p132	Think values	Acceptance	Life and well-being awareness > Be an active, civic and responsible citizen. > Take responsibility for making decisions using social criteria.



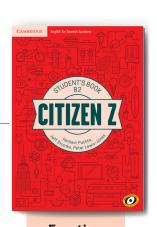
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Unit		SB section		Emotion	Emotional competences
1	Life plans	p20	Life skills	Stress	Self-management > Manage frustration. > Develop different abilities for facing negative emotions.
2	Hard times	p25	Think values	Compassion	Life and well-being awareness > Take responsibility for making decisions using ethical criteria. Self-motivation > Be responsible for making decisions and behaving in ethical manner.
3	What's in a name?	p42	Life skills	Empathy	Social awareness > Show respect to others. Self-awareness > Understand how others feel.
4	Dilemmas	p49	Think values	Insecurity	Life and well-being awareness > Take responsibility for making decisions using social criteria. Self-motivation > Make sure there is harmony between your emotions and moral values.
5	What a story!	p64	Think values	Admiration	Social awareness > Have the capacity to influence or manage other people's emotions. Life and well-being awareness > Contribute to others' well-being.
6	How do they do it?	р69	Think values	Being misunderstood	Social awareness > Have the capacity to prevent and resolve interpersonal conflicts. > Understand that in human relationships, sincerity and reciprocity are fundamental.
7	All the same?	p86	Life skills	Acceptance	Self-awareness > Understand how others feel. Social awareness > Control basic social abilities: having an open attitude to dialogue.
8	It's a crime	p88	Train to think	Empathy	Self-awareness > Name your emotions. > Understand how others feel.
9	What happened?	p108	Life skills	Fear	Self-awareness > Make decisions based on your own emotions. Social awareness > Have the capacity to influence or manage other people's emotions.
10	Money	p116	Photostory	Remorse	Self-motivation > Make sure there is harmony between your emotions and moral values. Life and well-being awareness > Be responsible for making decisions using ethical criteria.
11	Help!	p130	Life skills	Enthusiasm	Self-management > Be perseverant. Self-motivation > Get emotionally involved in the different aspects of your life.
12	A first time for everything	p135	Think values	Satisfaction	Self-motivation > Have a positive image of yourself. > Have the capacity for self-motivation.



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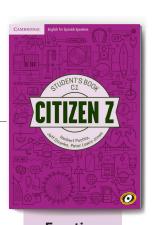
Unit		SB section		Emotion	Emotional competences
1	Survival	p13	Reading	Courage	Self-management > Be perseverant. Life and well-being awareness > Take responsibility for making decisions using ethical, social and safety criteria.
2	Going Places	p23	Reading	Compassion	Self-awareness > Understand how others feel. Life and well-being awareness > Contribute to other's well-being.
3	The next generation	p42	Life skills	Respect	Social-awareness > Show respect to others. Self-awareness > Understand how others feel.
4	Thinking outside the box	p50	Photostory	Insecurity	Self-management > Reduce the length and intensity of negative emotions. > Generate positive emotions and enjoy life.
5	Screen time	p61	Think values	Admiration	Social awareness > Show respect to others. > Understand that in human relationships sincerity and reciprocity are fundamental.
6	Bringing people together	p74	Life skills	Frustration	Social awareness > Have the capacity to prevent and resolve interpersonal conflicts. Self-motivation > Make sure there is harmony between your emotions and moral values.
7	Always look on the bright side?	p83	Vocabulary	Anxiety	Self-management > Be conscious of how emotions influence behaviour. > Generate positive emotions and enjoy life.
8	Making lists	p89	Train to think	Satisfaction	Self-motivation > Have the capacity for self-motivation. Life and well-being awareness > Have the capacity to set ourselves positive and realistic goals.
9	Be your own life coach	p104	Reading	Anger	Self-awareness > Understand how others feel. Self-management > Be conscious of how emotions influence behaviour.
10	Spreading the news	p118	Life skills	Embarrassment	Self-management > Reduce the length and intensity of negative emotions. Self-motivation > Be resilient.
11	Space and beyond	p124	Functions	Empathy	Self-motivation > Feel optimistic and capable, intend to make the world a better place. > Make sure there is harmony between your emotions and moral values.
12	More to explore	p140	Life skills	Fear	Life and well-being awareness > Have the capacity to set ourselves positive and realistic goals. Self-awareness > Name your emotions.



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Unit		SB section		Emotion	Emotional competences
1	Brothers and sisters	p13	Reading	Jealousy	Self-awareness > Make decisions based on your own emotions. Self-management > Be conscious of how emotions influence behaviour. Control your impulses.
2	Sleep on it	p23	Reading	Being misunderstood	Self-management > Be conscious of how emotions influence behaviour. > Be able to express your emotions appropriately.
3	Lucky breaks	p42	Life skills	Anxiety	Self-management > Reduce the length and intensity of negative emotions. Life and well-being awareness > Look for help and resources
4	Laughter is the best medicine	p52	Life skills	Empathy	Life and well-being awareness > Contribute to others' well-being. Self-motivation > Make sure there is harmony between your emotions and moral values.
5	Thrill seekers	p56	Reading	Excitement	Self-management > Generate positive emotions and enjoy life. Self-motivation > Get emotionally involved in the positive aspects of your life.
6	Followers	p67	Reading	Admiration	Self-motivation > Evaluate social and cultural messages in the media critically. > Have a positive image of yourself.
7	Beauty is in the eye of the beholder	p81	Listening	Acceptance	Self-motivation > Evaluate social and cultural messages in the media critically. Have a positive image of yourself.
8	It's all Greek to me!	p90	Speaking	Embarrassment	Self-management > Be conscious of how emotions influence behaviour. Be perseverant
9	Is it fair?	p100	Train to think	Respect	Social awareness > Show respect to others. Self-awareness > Understand how others feel.
10	You live and learn	p118	Life skills	Satisfaction	Self-motivation > Have the capacity for self-motivation. Life and well-being awareness > Have the capacity to set ourselves positive and realistic goals.
11	21st century living	p123	Reading	Anger	Self-management > Be conscious of how emotions influence behaviour. > Reduce the length and intensity of negative emotions.
12	Unsung heroes	p136	Reading	Gratitude	Social-awareness > Control basic social abilities: showing thanks. > Understand that in human relationships sincerity and reciprocity are fundamental.



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