



# Primary 1

## **Mother Tongue Language Briefing**

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# Overview

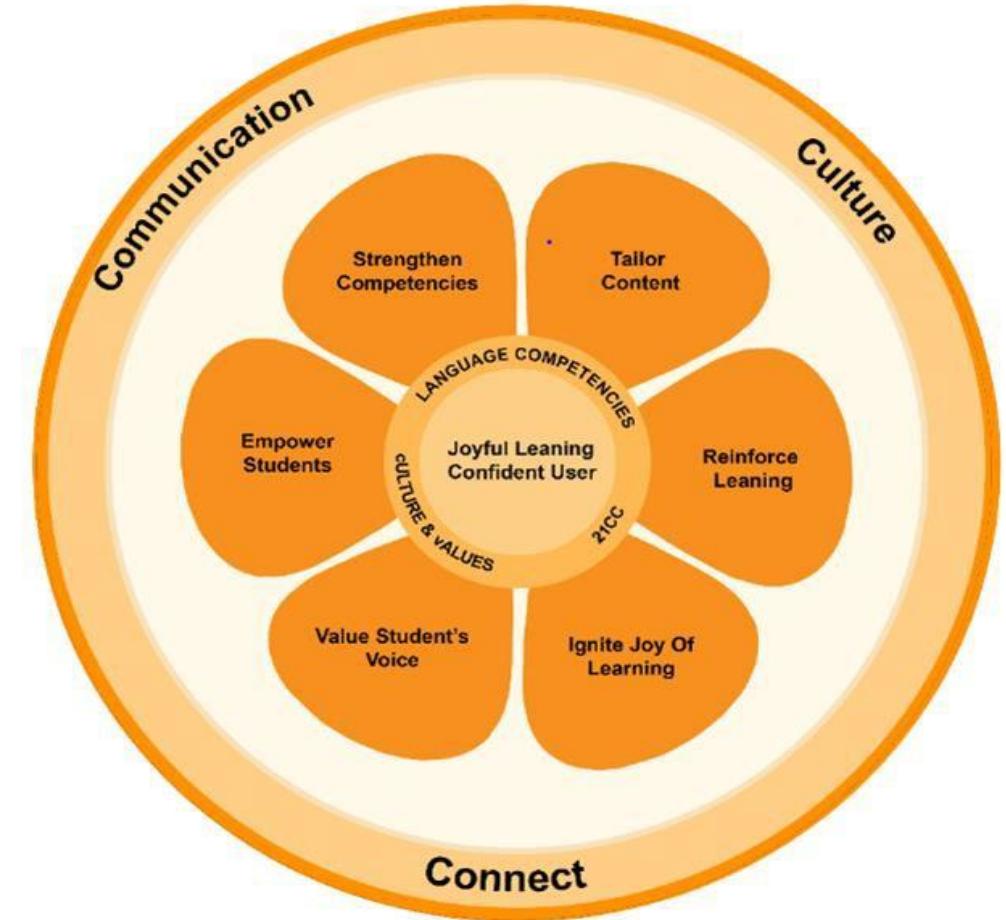
## 1. P1 Mother Tongue Languages Curriculum

## 2. Supporting your child in MTL Learning

# Primary MTL Curriculum Framework

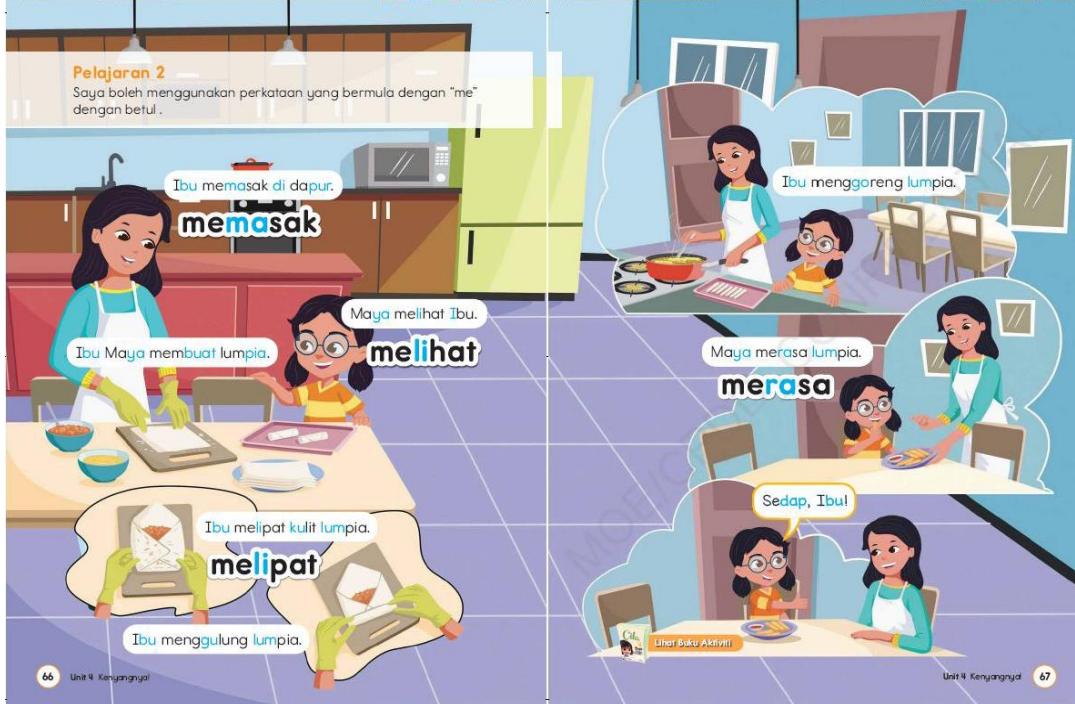
- Greater focus on helping students to **experience the joy of learning MTL**, so as to motivate them to like and learn MTL for life.

**Joyful Learning, Confident User**



# Key Feature #1

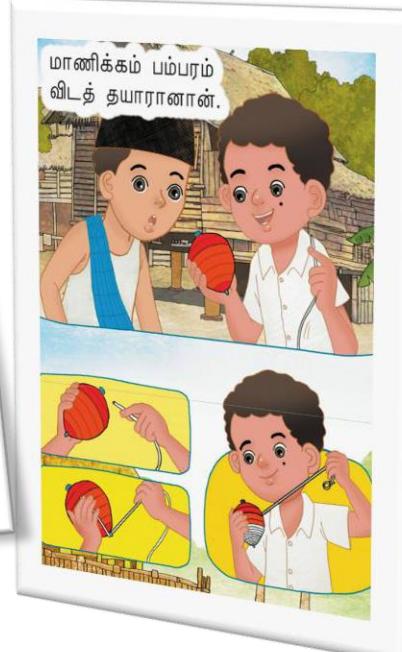
## Greater emphasis on 21st century competencies



Textbook

### Cross-Cultural Literacy

- Learning about the making of lumpia (Philippines' version of popiah)



Big Book

### Civic and Cross-Cultural Literacy

- Comparing spinning tops in Singapore and other countries (Malaysia, China and India)



# Key Feature #2

## Authentic contexts and materials



- Settings and contexts that students can relate to and to encourage them to use what they have learnt in their daily lives.



Textbook

- Students to describe and share their daily routines and good habits with their friends.



- Students to learn about canteen food and vocabulary they can use in conversations.

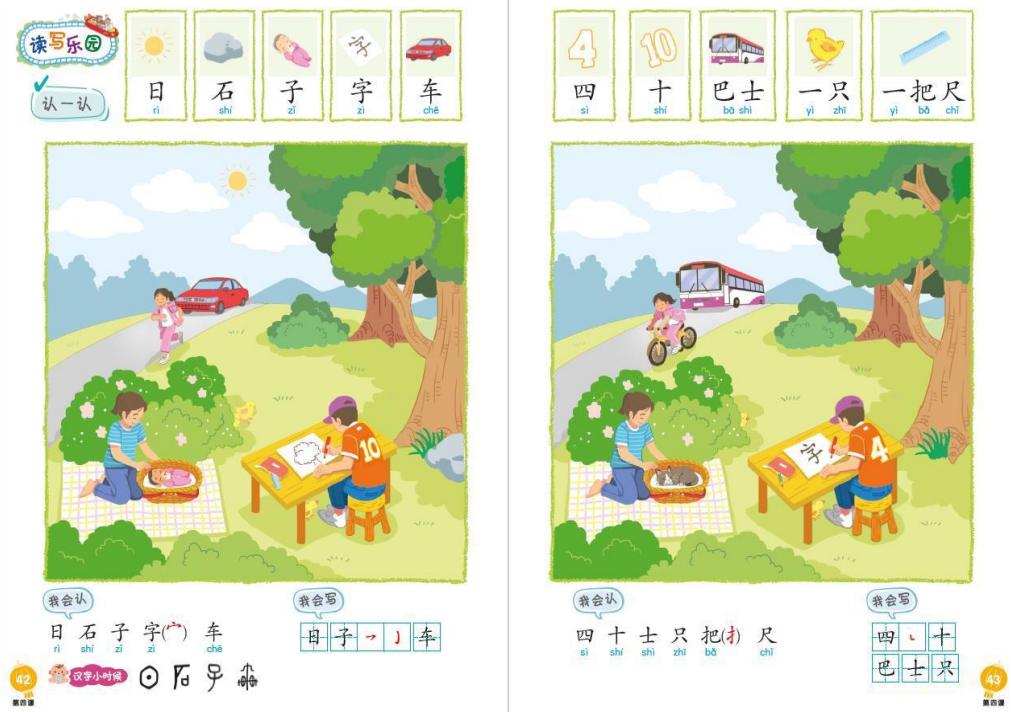
# Key Feature #3

Support students through visual, auditory and kinesthetic learning methods



## TL Digital Resource: Reading Pen

- Reinforce learning of TL letters
- Learn correct pronunciation of letters
- Promote self-directed learning

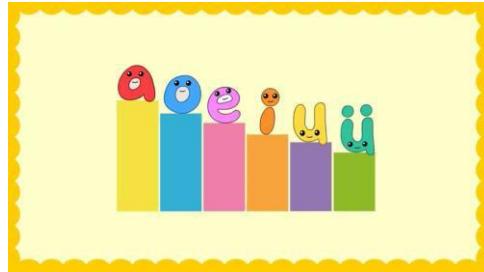


## Printed Resource: Spot the Difference Game

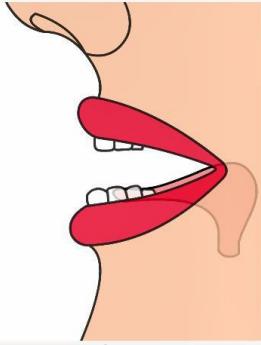
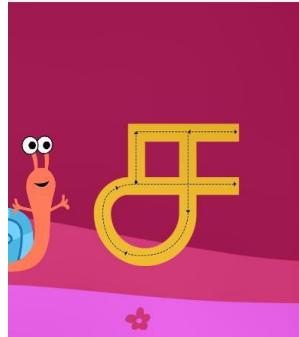
- To learn by playing
- To improve word recognition by associating with pictures/visuals

# Key Feature #4

Use of technology to sustain interest and encourage self-directed learning



CL Digital Resource: Hanyu Pinyin Animation



TL Digital Resource: Tongue Placement Videos

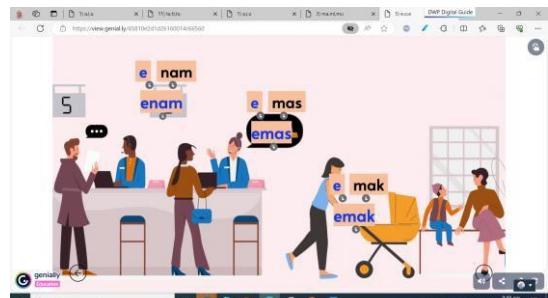


CL Digital Resource: Hanyu Pinyin Games



TL Digital Resource: AR Experience

ML Digital Resource:  
Bridging Videos



# Digital Resource: e-Big Books with interactive features to develop oracy skills, and to promote reading at home



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# Resources for Primary One



## Printed Resources

**Textbooks,  
Activity Books,  
Writing  
Exercise Books,  
Big Books,  
Small Readers**



## ICT Resources

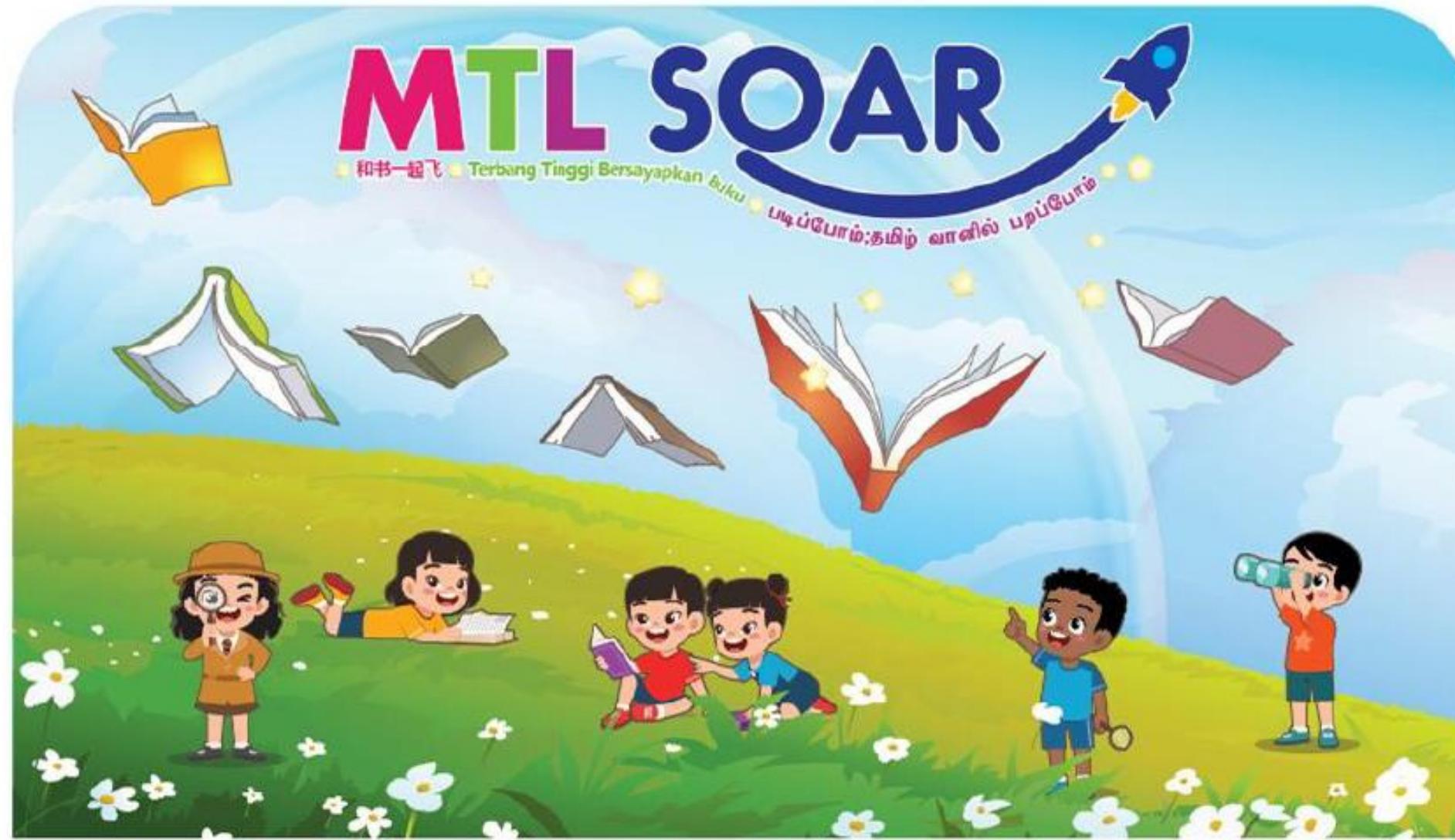
**Animations, Videos,  
Audios, Songs and  
Rhymes,  
Animated Reading  
Texts, Interactive  
Games, etc**



## Toolkit

**Picture cards, Board  
Games, Letter/Word  
Cards, Character  
Cards, Grammar  
Cards, Letter  
Manipulatives,  
Reading Pen, etc**

Spark interest, Open minds, Appreciate cultural roots, Rise as a bilingual reader



# MTL SOAR

- Started in 2025
- Structured reading programme to instil students' love for reading in MTL
- 30 minutes MTL lesson per week
- Reading and post-reading activities

MTL SOAR is a structured reading programme that seeks to instil students' love for reading in MTL.

30 minutes of MTL lesson per week will be dedicated to reading and reading-related activities. Here are some of the activities that may be conducted during MTL SOAR periods:



**Individual**

- Silent reading
- Self-reflection



**Peer/Group**

- Buddy reading
- Book discussions and sharing



## Class

- ♥ Teacher-led activities
- ♥ Storytelling: Teacher/student-led
- ♥ Role play



LIBRARY

- ♥ School Library visits
- ♥ Book awareness
- ♥ Exploring different genres
- ♥ Searching for books & information
- ♥ Research tasks

## School

- ♥ Shared Reading & Storytelling
- ♥ Showcase
- ♥ Book talks



## Family

- ♥ Reading with parents
- ♥ Public library visits



## Information on Chinese Reading Resources

E-books Recommendations:  
《9岁前必读的100本绘本》



<https://go.gov.sg/mustreadb69>

NLB Reading Activities for Children  
(some activities require pre-registration)



<https://go.gov.sg/childreaders>

NLB Recommendations and Activities for Children and Teenagers



<https://go.gov.sg/cldiscoverads>

Recommended Booklist by Committee to Promote Chinese Language Learning (CPCLL)



<https://go.gov.sg/child-recommended-booklist-pr1>

## \* Tips for Parents \*

### What roles do parents play in developing their child's MTL reading habits and skills?

- As parents, you play an integral role in your child's development of reading habits and skills. When your child adopts a positive attitude towards reading and has shown interest in picking up a MTL book to read, giving affirmation will help him/her to develop a greater sense of motivation in MTL reading.
- You can provide a supportive environment for your child to read by playing three roles—the motivator, the role-model and the facilitator.

#### 1. The Motivator

- When your child encounters difficulty in reading MTL books, you can encourage him to persevere and look for help in overcoming the difficulties.
- Help your child to derive pleasure from reading.



#### 2. The Role-Model

- Be a MTL reader yourself, this will motivate them to learn from you.
- Read MTL books together with your child to promote parent-child relationship through conversations and exchange of thoughts.

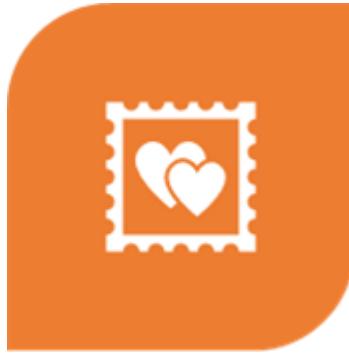


#### 3. The Facilitator

- Leverage on the wide range of resources to support your child in reading.
- Encourage your child to participate in community programmes. These will enable them to discover a broader selection of reading materials beyond the curriculum.



# Supporting your child in MTL Learning



**Cultivate the love of reading MTL books, e.g. 10 mins bedtime reading**



**Encourage them to take small steps in learning MTL, e.g. read signs, listen to music**



**Do fun activities in MTL together, e.g. workbook activity, watch performance, be your child's audience**



**Provide a conducive environment for learning MTL, e.g. speak the language with them, easy access to books**

# Supporting your child in MTL Learning

- Tips for Parents



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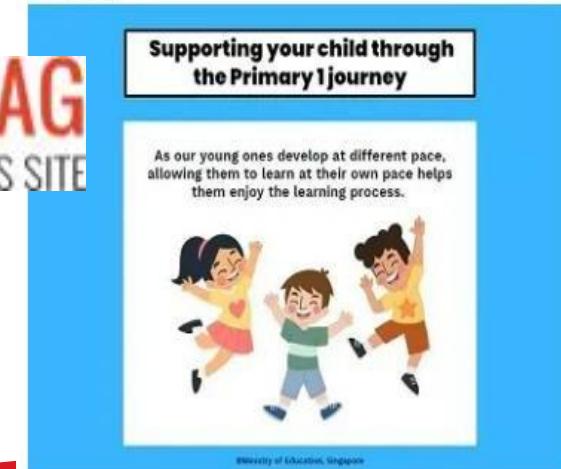


- Refer to information on MTL programmes and activities via PG



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