



Plan It

- What do we already know?
- What do we think about this issue?
- What do we need to understand about this issue?
- How does this issue or question affect us?
- What interests us about this issue or question?
- Why is this important?
- What questions do we have?
- Who is affected and why?
- What different opinions exist?

Ideas turn into action when you plan the steps you need to take. Start planning by thinking about the purpose and goals of your action project.

What would you like to change? Describe the purpose of your project.

What are the project goals? Write them down. Make the goals focused and specific by describing actions.

For example, if your project involves helping make your neighbourhood safer or cleaner, identify a specific goal like organizing monthly safety meetings for parents and students, or holding a neighbourhood cleanup day twice a year. If your project involves making your school more aware of the problem of poverty or bullying, identify specific goals like holding a rally or starting a monthly newsletter.

What resources will you use to reach the project goals?

What different types of resources will help you with your project?	What support do you think you will need from people in your classroom, school or community?	Describe how much time you need to work on the project.	Identify information that will help you with your project. Make a list of questions you have.

If you are working with a group, list all project group members and respond to the questions. If you are working alone, answer the questions for yourself.

- What is each group member good at? What would each group member like to do?
- How will you assign tasks?
- How will you keep track of each group member's responsibilities?
