



iSimangaliso

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MATERIALS REQUIRED FOR SESSION

- Art materials
- Blank postcards (provided below) - one per person

SESSION PLAN: What makes iSimangaliso special

SESSION OBJECTIVES:

- The objective of this session is for learners to understand and appreciate the beauty and offerings of the World Heritage Site iSimangaliso Wetland Park.

INTRODUCTION ACTIVITY:

- Ask the learners what makes iSimangaliso so special – *write these answers down on the board.*
- Show the learners What Makes Isimangaliso Special Video - <https://tinyurl.com/4hkt8ymv>

OVERVIEW:

Have a brief discussion about this special place:

South Africa's first World Heritage Site: In 1999, UNESCO declared iSimangaliso a World Heritage Site because of its alarming beauty, abundance of fragile and unique ecosystems, and the intrinsic value such a site has for both South Africans and visitors. With such a title comes a huge responsibility for government and private enterprises to protect and conserve the flora and fauna of the area while using the site to promote economic growth and development. Saved from the unimaginable fate of being a dune mine, iSimangaliso remains a historical, cultural, and natural jewel in South Africa's crown.

MAIN ACTIVITY:

- Learners are to get creative in explaining/describing what makes iSimangaliso unique to them; they could create a poem, song, dance, play, poster, cartoon, story, presentation, art piece, etc., allow them to be creative. Learners can work individually, in pairs, or groups, let them decide.
- Allow each of the groups to present their creation.

CLOSING ACTIVITY:

- Learners write a postcard to a pen pal in uThukela Marine Protected Area (MPA) describing what makes iSimangaliso special and why they might like to come and visit (*see ACTIVITY provided below*)

FOLLOW UP SUGGESTIONS:

Take the learners on an exploration in iSimangaliso Wetland Park, northern KZN.

ACTIVITY: POSTCARD

Send a post card to a pen pal describing what makes iSimangaliso Special!
You can use one side for an illustration and one for writing

Cut here around the border

fold along the dotted line and glue the two backsides together



Post Card

Four horizontal blue lines for writing a message on the front of the postcard.

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ANNEXURE 1

Associated session plan breakdown for relevant reading and colouring in pages for “Harry the hammerhead” volume one – iSimangaliso community

Session Title	Harry the Hammerhead Shark Spreads the good news (volume 1) reading page numbers	Colouring in page numbers
Intro to oceans session (pre survey)		None
Harry the Hammerhead session	Read pages 1-32	None
What makes iSimangaliso special session	Read pages 1-5	1, 2 & 3
Coelacanth session	Read pages 6-7	4
Turtle hatchling session	Read pages 8-11	5 & 6
Coral Reefs session	Read pages 12-15	7 & 8
Marine food webs session	Read pages 16-23	9, 10, 1 & 12
Shark session	Read pages 24-27	13 & 14
Whale session	Read pages 28-29	15
Benefits of MPA's session (post survey)	Read pages 30-31	16

ANNEXURE 2

Session plan - Curriculum and Assessment Policy Statement alignment

WILDTRUST Session plan	Section	Grade	Subject	Strand	Topic	Content & Concepts
What makes iSimangaliso special session	Intermediate phase	Grade 5	Social Sciences	History	A heritage trail through the provinces of South	Different examples of heritage from each province