PERSONAL PROJECT 2024/2025

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT PERSONAL PROJECT and more☺

WHAT IS PERSONAL PROJECT?

- an independent, individual project to be completed in MYP5
- IB requirement for all MYP students in year 5
- should be a topic that motivates you and is truly **personal**
- should show the **development of the ATL skills,** attitudes and knowledge acquired in the MYP

WHAT DOES THE PP CONSIST OF ?

- A learning goal leading to a product

- Documentation of the process

- A report

Personal Project

Should:

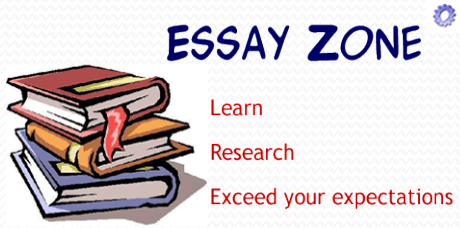
- Have a clear and achieveable goal that can be evaluated against success criteria
- Reflect personal interests, hobbies or an issue you particulary care about
- Be entirely your own work

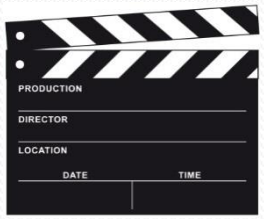
To complete the project , you must:

- Establish a learning goal and a product goal
- Create detailed action plan for acheiving the product and specific success criteria for evaluation of the product
- Apply various ATL skills to achieve your goal
- Document the ATL skills and how you applied them to achieve your goal
- Evaluate the project against the succes criteria
- Reflect on the impact of the project
- Select evidence for the report
- Write a 15-page report which should reflect the process and the product

A PRODUCT OR OUTCOME

- an original work of art –painting, sculpture, short stories collection,
  novel, film, script for a play, etc.)





- a video/computer game, website
- learning to play a new piece of music/instrument
- learning a language
- an essay (literary, scientific, etc.)
- other

THE SUPERVISOR

Each student **is assigned** a supervisor who will :

- provide guidance regarding the process
- meet with you once a month to discuss issues arising while working on the project
- give advice on how to keep and use the process journal
- emphasize the importance of personal analysis and reflection
- provide formative feedback (oral and written)
- ensure requirements for academic honesty

GATHERING EVIDENCE

Evidence to document the **process** is:

- gathered throughout the project to **document its development**

- a collection of initial thoughts and developments, brainstorming, mindmaps possible lines of inquiry and further questions raised
- a record of interactions with sources(emails , messages, recorded meetings,etc.), for example, teachers, supervisors, external contributor/expert
- a record of selected, annotated and/or edited research and to maintain a bibliography
- a collection of useful information, for example, quotations, pictures, ideas, photographs
- a means of exploring ideas and solutions
- a place for evaluating work
- completed reflection on learning devised by the student in a format that suits his or her needs
- a record of reflections and formative feedback received

The evidence of the above must be **uploaded to Manage Bac !!**

ACTION PLAN/TIME-MANAGEMENT IS OF THE ESSENCE!!!

Create a step-by-step **ACTION PLAN** for achieveing the goal and the chosen product which should include:

- **success criteria** for the product - detailed and measurable
  - necessary steps or actions required to meet those criteria
- reference ATL skills applied to achieve the goal
- establish a foundation to explain whether or not **the goal was achieved** in the report
- involves research, also related to the learning goal , which should be included in the action plan.

ACTION PLAN- samples

GOAL:	WHY IS THIS GOAL IMPORTANT? How will progress on this goal positively affect your life as a student at UNC?	BEHAVIOR CHANGE To make progress on this goal, what behaviors might you need to change? What new behaviors might you need to include.	Make your goal SMART: Specific, Measurable, Action-Oriented, Realistic and Time-Sensitive
EX: I want to exercise regularly	Exercising gives me more energy and helps me sleep better. With more energy and sleep, I'll be more alert in classes and can study with more focus.	I can't return to my room after classes because I'll be less likely to go to gym later. Instead, I'll pack workout clothes in my backpack and go to gym directly after class.	I will go to gym 4X/week, doing a combination of cardio and weights. I'll ask a friend to join me to keep me motivated and accountable. I'll keep a chart tallying my progress.
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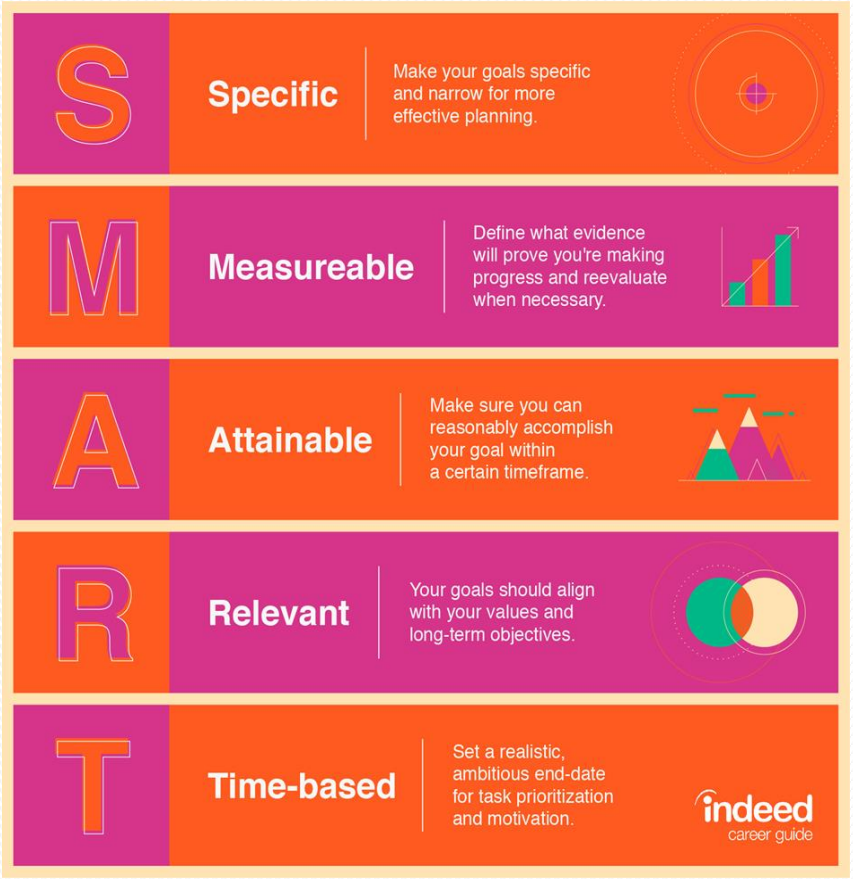
S.M.A.R.T. Goals- how to achieve them



ATL SKILLS should be recorded in PP journal on Manage Bac and action plan from the start.

ATL evidence may include:

- visual thinking diagrams
- bulleted lists
- charts
- short paragraphs
- notes
- timelines
- action plans
- annotated illustrations
- annotated research
- artefacts from inspirational visits to museums, performances, galleries
- pictures, photographs, sketches
- up to 30 seconds of visual or audio material
- screenshots of a blog or website
- self- and peer-assessment feedback.

ATL SKILLS AND EVALUATION OF PRODUCT

When providing evidence of ATL skills you will have to:

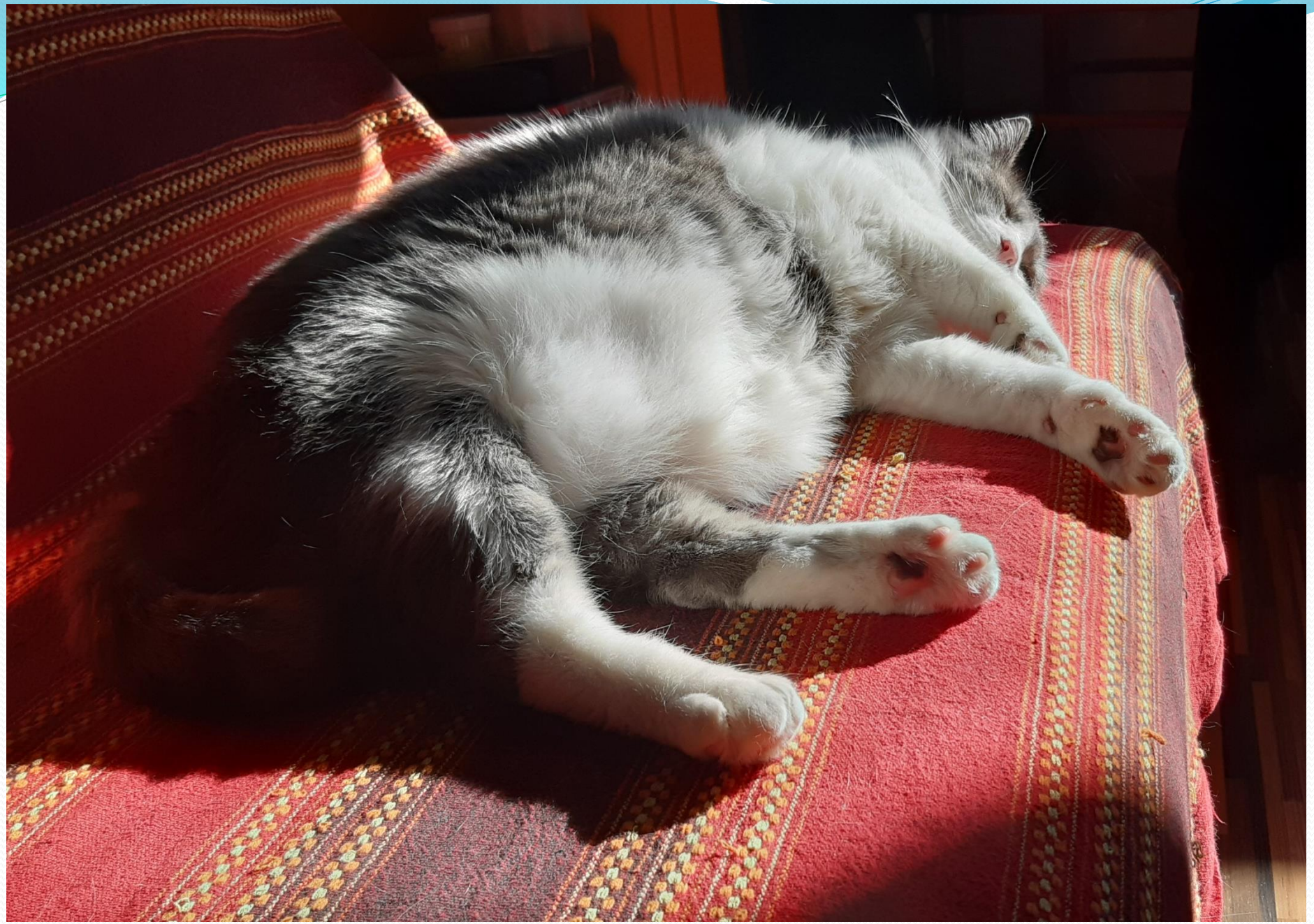
- select pieces of evidence to demonstrate the ATL skills that have had the most impact on your project
- ATL skills have to be specific not just naming ATL cluster
- one piece of evidence must support the **analysis** of how ATL skill(s) were **applied** to **extend the learning goal**, and another must support the a**nalysis** of how **ATL** skill(s) were **applied to achieve the product**
- use the **success criteria** to **evaluate** the extent to which the **product goal was achieved.**
- evaluation is foundation for explaining the impact of the project
- can help when selecting the evidence of the ATL skills to include in the report

REPORTING THE PERSONAL PROJECT

Should be presented in identifiable sections:

Planning
Applying skills
Reflecting

- everything relevant to the process and the development of the PP has to be evidenced
- the ability to communicate clearly and concisely is essential to demonstrate the elements of the report
- PP work **must be your own**
- you must use Academic honesty form when submitting the PP
- if you plagiarise someone else's work you will fail



PHASE 1 May, June 2024

- choose a topic and **submit the topic to Ms Kos, MYP coordinator by** 13:00 , **Wednesday, 5 June,2024**
- a supervisor will be assigned
- the list of topics, students and supervisors will be posted on the MYP notice board next to the MYP Coordinator's office on **Friday , 7 June, 2024**
- by **Tuesday, 18 June, 2024** the first meeting with the supervisor **MUST** be held/organized and topic narrowed down and approved;
- goals and action plan discussed and presented in **a written form on Manage Bac**

PHASE 2 June-September 2024

- make **weekly, step-by-step action plan** to follow during the summer and beyond (including the success criteria for the product)
- resesarch the topic during the summer
- select, evaluate and acknowledge information
- keep all the relevant info, research, evaluation of sources,screen shots of relevant pages and links in your PP journal (ATL skills)
- meet with the supervisor in September 2024 as soon as possible
- Everything regarding Personal project will be uploaded to Manage Bac

PHASE 3 October 2024

- Provide further detailed action plan
- Work on product-show evidence of it to supervisor
- Regular meetings with supervisor-show progress
- Use PP journal –keep notes and entries on Manage Bac

PHASE 4 November, December 2024

- Work on product
- Use process journal on Manage Back -keep notes of meetings, development of product, photos, sketches,interviews,etc.
- Regular meetings with supervisor
- In November-PP Mid-term presentations – in front of teachers and students

PHASE 5 January 2025

- Complete product and report, including evidence and achieveing the 2 goals
- Submit first draft of the report to the superviosor
- Continue meetings with the supervisor
- Submit/share the process journal notes/entries

PHASE 6 February 2025

First draft with feedback returned to student (1st week of February)

By the end of February – submit both hard copy and digital version

- Final draft of the report
- Product
- Completed academic honesty form
- Bibliography/sources (a separate document)
- Personal project coversheet
- Turnitin similarity report

PP festival
14 March 2025

- Presentation /exhibition/showcase of all PPs at the School day festival

- Parents, MYP4 students,other teachers are all invited

KEEPING

IF YOU FAIL TO FOLLOW/ KEEP THE DEADLINES THERE WILL BE POINTS TAKEN OFF THE PP

NO PERSONAL PROJECT

(FINAL DRAFT) WILL BE ACCEPTED <u>AFTER</u> THE DETERMINED DEADLINE !!!!!!!

THANK YOU
FOR LISTENING !!!

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