





### Mini EDUbox

about ... EDUbox

Digital teaching materials packed with expertise







### Welcome to the mini EDUbox about... EDUbox

This mini EDUbox wants to immerse you in the world of EDUbox, public service broadcaster VRT's educational concept for secondary school, with loads of benefits:

- A ready-made package to inform and inspire around socially relevant topics such as culture and identity, economy, science, technology, ...
- ☐ A (digital and/or printed) toolbox to help you in turbulent times, with the new educational attainment levels and the digitalisation of education imed at a variety of different educational attainment levels.
- An offer that is high-quality, reliable, multi-voiced.
- An innovative instrument to get your students on board.



# **Concept EDUbox**



#### 1. EDUbox in a nutshell

EDUbox is an educational concept developed by VRT to introduce secondary school students to a specific social topic. EDUbox aims to inform young people and stimulate them to get involved themselves. The topics centre around (world) citizenship, critical thinking, science and technology, ...

EDUbox is a **free learning tool** for teachers to work towards specific **educational attainment levels** and several key competencies. It is a ready-made package based on the theory of deep learning, which combines **technology, didactics and storytelling** to create a fun and educational learning experience.





#### 2. Formats

Most formats are developed as independent group projects. One format is more oriented towards an individual learning path.

Students work independently in small groups with files. These files contain theoretical elements, practical exercises and assignments. They are also linked to digital tools and audiovisual materials.











The files are available as **downloadable PDFs** that can be printed.





The files are integrated into an **interactive website** that also contains the videos and tools.





**Some** EDUboxes are also available in **print.** 



For the individual learning path there is the interactive video class for use at home or in class.



For an overview of the topics and formats in which they exist, go to the catalogue on <a href="https://www.vrt.be/nl/edubox/">https://www.vrt.be/nl/edubox/</a>



#### 3. Substantive cooperation

Every EDUbox is created with the cooperation of VRT NWS experts (VRT NWS is the news service of public service broadcaster VRT) and other experienced content and educational partners from civil society such as imec, Brightlab, Mediawijs, the Institute of Tropical Medicine, the National Bank of

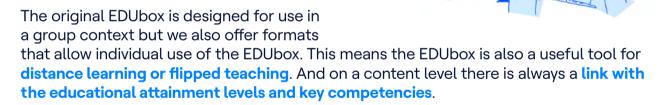
Belgium, VITO, Hannah Arendt Institute, ... they take the students in tow. Journalists, scientists, researchers and other experts explain difficult concepts in a simple way in tailor-made videos. All EDUbox videos are available on the EDUbox YouTube channel.





#### 4. Target group

Secondary school students are our main target group but we also take their **teachers** into account. EDUbox caters to different teaching methods so that every teacher can choose how to deploy the EDUbox.



**Interaction** is important: every EDUbox is specifically designed with class practice in mind and therefore caters to a range of learning styles. An EDUbox combines **striking illustrations, text, videos and applications with class reflection and group work**. Every EDUbox comes with a **teacher's manual** that offers tips & tricks. The manuals are also available on medium.com.

#### Catalogue

Startpagir

Catalogus

Ambassadeurs

Evenementen

Voor leerplatformen

filter: NL FR EN DE

Cybersecurity: digitale bescherming als goede gewoonte

Migratie: een fenomeen van alle tijden Gezondheid: Reis door de gezondheidszorg in de wereld Teamwork: Alleen ga je sneller, samen kom je verder

EDUbox Boost:
Democratie en
staatsstructuur: In dialoog
over een land voor den
toekomst

Gezondheid: Wetenschap voor duurzame relatie tussen mens, dier en planeet ldentiteit: Kunnen zijn wie je bent

Duurzaamheid: nu maken voor de toekomst

Pandemie: Een uitdaging voor mens en wetenschap Wij-zij-denken: Leren van mening verschillen Cultuur: een verruimende blik op de wereld Mobiliteit: Keuzes voor een duurzame ontknoping

Sociale media

Financiële educatie: Geld in de wereld

Financiële educatie: geld

Artificiële intelligentie

Nepnieuws

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#### Offer in other languages

Cybersecurity: digital protection as good practice Migration: a timeless phenomenon	FRE DUT FRE DUT
Health: A journey through healthcare around the world	DUT
Teamwork: Alone you go faster, together you go further	DUT
Democracy and government structure: Dialogue on a country for the future	GER FRE DUT
Health: Science for a sustainable relationship between man, the animal world and the	e planet <b>DUT</b>
Identity: Being able to be yourself	DUT
Sustainability: Shaping the future today	DUT
Pandemic: A challenge for man and science	DUT
Us vs them thinking: Learning to disagree	FRE DUT
Culture: A broadening view of the world	DUT
Mobility: Choices for a sustainable outcome	DUT
Social media	DUT
Financial education: Money in the world	FRE DUT
Financial education: Money and I	FRE DUT
Artificial intelligence	<b>ENG DUT</b>
Fake news	<b>ENG DUT</b>
Democracy	DUT
Data in the press	DUT



## EDUbox ambassadors

As a lecturer at Thomas More University College, I like working with the Culture EDUbox.

The content is really excellent!

It's a perfect fit with what we teach our students about the theoretical framework of "culture in the mirror".

Hilde Van Oeteren (practice) lecturer Thomas More

The STEM students from H. Familie Sint-Niklaas in action with the Teamwork EDUbox.

With the EDUbox
I have worked around fake
news before and the
students really enjoyed
taking in the course
material this way.
I definitely intend to also
explore the EDUbox on
identity with my students.

Yoko Eeckhout SVI Gijzegem Psychology and sociology teacher

#TEAMWORK



# Reach of the EDUbox



### Use by teaching staff and students

VRT has been working on this educational project for several years. The current offer is made up of 20 boxes, all of which are in high demand. The topics range from fake news to artificial intelligence, social media, health, sustainability and finances to migration and cybersecurity. EDUboxes on the sustainable use of space, sexting, energy and politics/elections are currently in the works. Here are some figures to illustrate the popularity of EDUboxes:

- ☐ The interactive websites of our EDUboxes have been started a total of **70,000 times**. Feel free to multiply this impressive number by four because the teaching packages are usually completed in groups of four.
- Our most popular EDUboxes are Identity (10,000 x), Us vs them thinking (8,900 x) and Teamwork, with 5,000 views in just one month.
- ☐ So far our PDF lessons have been downloaded more than 12,000 times.
- Our YouTube videos have racked up nearly 313,000 views.
- Our physical boxes, are also very popular: Fake news has already been requested 1,115 times and the one on social media almost 1,000 times.



### Distribution



The EDUbox is a **co-production**, meaning that the partner can also include the EDUbox in their **own educational offer**, distribute it and develop additional modules on the subject e.g. a train-the-trainer course. If physical copies are available, it is the partners who distribute them.

VRT offers the EDUbox on this platform: <a href="www.vrt.be/nl/edubox">www.vrt.be/nl/edubox</a>
Here all the material is publicly available: in different formats and languages, with the order link for the physical copies, ... some EDUboxes are also offered on the digital learning platforms of commercial partners because VRT believes in integration on platforms that teachers are already using.



# EDUbox goes international



VRT is part of the EDUmake consortium that also includes the Media & Learning Association (MLA), Stichting NTR (NTR), the Netherlands, the Flemish Knowledge Centre for Digital and Media Literacy Mediawijs, Belgium, and Sveuciliste U Zagrebu Fakultet Politickih Znanosti (FPZG), Croatia. The EDUmake project is funded by the European Union

EDUmake partners in Croatia and the Netherlands are creating localised versions of existing EDUbox materials aimed at 12- to 18-year-olds as developed by VRT based on high-quality audiovisual content and interactive engagement strategies. The partners are also creating a dedicated EDUbox focused on European policy for use in the classroom in preparation for the 2024 European elections. Part of the project remit is to create an easy-to-use format for translating and contextualising EDUbox packages across the EU and potentially beyond. This includes a set of tools, strategies and materials that teachers and others can use in the future to create their own EDUboxes on topics they consider important.

This EDUbox could be an opportunity for other European countries or partners to introduce European topics in schools in light of the European elections.

For more information:

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