

**SUBJECT: GOVIC**

**CLASS: SS2**

**WEEK: 3**

## **CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION**

Citizenship Education means an education given to inculcate moral and political values in citizens, in order to enable them fit into the society where they live, and participate actively in the government of their country. It also helps the citizens acquire behaviors, attitudes and values that will enable them become responsible and contribute to national development.

### **IMPORTANCE OF CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION**

1. To make people to be aware of their rights and responsibilities as citizens.
2. To give individuals opportunity to explore social and political views.
3. It enables people to make their own decisions.
4. It is essential for helping pupils live a civil life with one another.
5. To make students show concern about the welfare of others.
6. To guide citizens in making the right decisions and choices, particularly when it involves voting at elections.
7. To Teach people how to demonstrate their love for the nation.

### **DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF CITIZEN EXPECTED TO THEIR COMMUNITIES**

1. **Obedience to laws:** Every citizen is expected to obey all the laws of his country.
2. **Defense of the country:** Citizen should be prepared to defend their country when the need arises especially during attacks from a foreign country.
3. **Prevention of crime:** it is the duty of every citizen to assist law enforcement agents to reduce the rate of crime in the society.
4. **Civic responsibilities:** A good citizen is expected to participate in the political activities of this country by registering to voting and obeying electoral laws.
5. **Respect for national symbols:** such as the national flag, the coat of arms and the national anthem which stand as symbols of authority and identity of the nation that must be respected by every good citizen.
6. **Non-Interference with the rights of others.** No one should interfere with other people's rights by whatsoever means.

7. **Contribute to national development:** citizens are expected to engage in various economic, political, social and even spiritual activities that will help to move the country forward.

### **SKILLS NECESSARY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF OUR TRADITIONAL, CUSTOMS AND BELIEFS**

1. Use of written and printed sources: Information about our rich cultural should be well documented so that the next generation can have knowledge of it.
2. People should be educated on the importance of culture.
3. Discarding negative foreign cultures: We should not imbibe foreign cultures that will destroy our longstanding traditions.
4. Cultural festivals: festivals like the Eyo Festival, New yam festival, Argungu fishing festival by the Hausas, Ekpo etc, should be encouraged.
5. Greetings: people, especially children must learn traditional ways of greeting adults and one another.
6. Marriage customs, proverbs and adages, food etc; can be used to promote our culture.

### **ASSIGNMENT**

Mention two other ways culture and belief can be transferred to the next Generation.