

about the uniform zone

Overview

In the Uniform zone pupils think about why different people wear uniform and have the opportunity to dress up in a range of Salvation Army uniforms. Pupils trace the development of the Salvation Army uniform and think about why there are different uniforms for different cultures and climates, and for different occasions and jobs. Finally, they either make a Victorian bonnet and modern-day cap, or design their own Salvation Army uniform for the future.

Points to note

- If the school have brought a camera this zone could provide some good photo opportunities!
- Some pupils may feel awkward about dressing up; if so give gentle encouragement but try not to make them feel uncomfortable. You could offer them a uniform that doesn't require as much dressing up. Alternatively pupils could just hold the uniforms.

Setting up the zone

- If possible, hang up all the different kinds of uniform on a rail (or coat rack etc) to avoid the 'jumble sale' look!
- If you're feeling really creative, set up the uniform zone like a kind of walk-in wardrobe, with rails, hat boxes, drawers and anything else you can think of!
- You may also need a table and chairs for the design/craft activity.

Resources provided

- Uniform zone A3 sign
- Display stand for A3 sign (red)
- Pictures of different uniforms (Key Stage 1)
- Uniform timeline activity (Key Stage 1)
- 'Why wear a uniform?' cards (Key Stage 2)
- Uniforms (see opposite)
- Cap and bonnet card templates for pupils (order from the Resource Hub)
- Cap and bonnet instructions (download from USB)
- KS1/2 uniform zone scripts (download from USB or check the website for the latest version)

You may also need

- Hangers and a rail/coat rack
- Table and chairs
- Extra uniforms (see opposite)
- Fake rocks – screwed up grey/brown paper
- For making caps and bonnets: scissors, yellow pastel pencils, staplers, black crêpe paper
- For designing a new uniform: good quality colouring pencils

Adapting the zone

- Make the zone shorter:
The art and design activities could be completed at home or back in the classroom.

Uniforms (provided – loan only)

- Victorian style woman's jacket
- Old SA bonnet and cap
- Victorian-style man's jacket
- International uniform(s)
- A selection of mini uniforms for 4 - 6 year olds (optional)

You will also need some/all of the following SA uniforms

- Stand up collar tunics
- Modern open-neck tunic/shirt
- Red Shield hoody/T-shirt*
- Cap, bonnet, hat*
- Children's uniform*
- Polo shirt*
- Red Shield hat*
- Red Shield high visibility jacket*

* also available to loan from the Resource Hub(see 'Resources' section)



- Make the zone longer:
Use the extra activities suggested, and allow more time for the art and design activities.
- Whole class session:
There is a good variety of activities in this zone, most of which would work well in a whole class setting. Order extra sets of activity cards if necessary. The design a uniform activity included in the pupil book is also available to download separately from the USB.

