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Riding a Bicycle - Lesson Plan (Facilitator)						
Activity	Time	Dur.	Instructor's Notes	Files/Resources		
Good morning networking	8:30	00:30	~ Instructor to network, meet and greet, take attendance as participants arrive ~ Have participants fill in name cards	name tags or tent cards		
Welcome & housekeeping	9:00	00:05	~ Welcome participants, confirm attendee names ~ Introduce instructor and any guests ~ Introduce session (broad) and go over housekeeping items such as: start, break & end times, cell phones, bberries etc.			
Introduction & Course Outline	9:05	00:05	~ Brief overview of course objectives and session agenda ~ Overall course objective is for adults who cannot ride a bicycle to feel more comfortable and prepared to <i>attempt</i> a real bicycle experience.			
Discussion (Activating Phase)	9:10	00:20	~ Why learn to ride a bike? - Why are you here? ~ How does riding a bike relate to my everyday life? (Large Group: connection to prior knowledge) ~ What skills do you need to ride a bike (Small Group: brainstorming)? ~ Give instructions: each small group must list skills required for riding a bike and connect them to an everyday aspect of life; each group will share 1 skill/connection	~ PowerPoint ~ Large Group Discussion ~ Small Groups: Brainstorming -Appoint a scribe / Flipcharts		
			Bicycle Riding Skills (examples) ~ Patience ~ Balance ~ Pedalling ~ Steering ~ Stopping ~ Awareness ~ Adaptability			
			Group Debrief - Each group will share 1 skill/connection			

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Pair Activity (Acquiring)	9:30	00:15	~ Facilitator to show a series of 2 videos: first video shows an adult getting on a bicycle and riding down a block. Pair Activity: make a list of all the "errors" you see in the video, (i.e. no helmet, pedalling with 1 foot, steering with 1 hand, improper stopping, not aware of pedestrians ahead, speeding, etc.) Facilitator to show second video: same video with voice-over and animation which highlights the "errors". Pairs to check-off the ones they identified and add others to their lists.	~ Videos ~ Notepaper
Group Activity (Applying/Consolidation)		00:30	~ Facilitator will scribe a "master list" of steps required to get on, ride 100 metres, stop and get off a bicycle (group will provide steps) ~ First will be just a list in no particular order ~ Second part of activity will be to put them in a logical sequence ~ Example step list may be:	~ Flip-chart
			Step 1: Inspect bicycle - walk around Step 2: Safely board bicycle Step 3: Put on helmet Step 4: Visual scan of environment Sept 5: Begin pedalling Step 6: Look straight ahead with awareness of items/actions in peripheral vision Step 7: Maintain speed Step 8: Anticipate stop Step 9: Apply brakes and plant feet Step 10: Get off bicycle, set kick-stand, remove helmet	~ Pre-prepared note- sheet with numbers for final steps to be filled in
			Group Debrief / Reflection	
Pair Activity (Applying) SIMULATION - indoor	10:15	00:20	~ Each pair is assigned to a stationary bicycle ~ One person will read the steps and observe, the other person will perform the actions (ride for 30 seconds) ~ After all steps are completed, switch roles Group Debrief / Reflection: how did that feel? what do you think will be different on a real bicycle?	~ stationary bicycles
			***substitution (optional) - stationary bicycle activity can be substituted with tandem-bicycle (two-person) activity. This requires each participant to be paired with an experienced rider or the facilitator.	

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Break Pair Activity (Applying) SIMULATION - outdoor	10:35 10:50		*re-group outside for activity	
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		00.40	~ Each pair is assigned to a proper bicycle with safety wheels One person will observe and provide support, the other person will perform the actions (steps) to travel 100 metres Group Debrief / Reflection: how did that feel? what was different than the stationary bike? what might be different on an unsupported bicycle?	~ bicycles with safety wheels ~ contained area (lot) with appropriate flat surface i.e. parking lot
End of Session Debrief	11:30	00:15	~ Review skills ~ Review steps ~ Prepare action plan (I will ride 5 metres, supported this week, I will ride 10 metres by myself over the next two weeks, etc.)	
Optional Session (Applying) PRACTICE - outdoor	11:45	00:30	~ Participation in this activity is based on participants' comfort level - some may not be ready and others may not want to engage in public. All will be welcome to watch and support those who choose to participate in the activity. ~ Individually with the facilitator, interested participants can work through the step-process on an unsupported proper bicycle ~ Goals will be incremental: beginning with 5 metres, 15 metres, etc. and varying degrees of support from facilitator: walking backwards holding handlebars, behind holding seat, "spotting"	~ bicycles ~ contained area (lot) with appropriate flat surface i.e. parking lot