

Teaching Material on Biodiversity Conservation (TMBC)

Teacher's material Plan for the lesson about beech forests

Title: Beech Forests and UNESCO World Natural Heritage

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Level: Secondary level I (Ages 10-12)

Materials: Video, sheet with additional information, worksheets, sheet with photos, rules.

It would be best to go on a short excursion to a nearby forest. Otherwise the teacher could bring some leaves, beechnuts or rotten wood to show the students.

Aims: The students develop a better understanding of biocoenosis and habitats using the example of ancient beech forests and why they are protected by the UNESCO.

Procedure: for a lesson of about 45 min

1. Introduction: Video about „**Sassnitz und sein UNESCO-Welterbe -- Sassnitz and its UNESCO World Heritage**„ (3.11 min – short information about the protected beech forest at the Baltic seaside)

2. Questions about the movie:

- Where is Sassnitz?
- What is the UNESCO?

3. Hand out the text for the students about beech forests:

- Let them read it

4. Hand out the worksheets:

- Let them work with partners
- Compare the results in class

5. Put laminated sheet with photos on the desk for students to look at

6. Hand out and read the rules “How to behave in the forest”