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 Experience Area Emphasizing Local Wisdom  
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### Abstract

The purposes of this study were to develop the Life Experience Area teaching unit for Prathom Suksa 5 students on unit 4 "Thailand" subunit 4 "Art and Culture which relevant to local Chiang Mai", to compare their scores of knowledge and understanding of pretest and posttest and to study their behaviors and opinions as regards the teaching unit.

The population were 62 Prathom Suksa 5 students who were studying in the first semester of 1996 academic year at Sanpong School Cluster under the Office of Mae Rim District Primary Education, Chiang Mai Province. Four instruments were used 1) Five teaching units of 15 lesson plans for 45 periods 2) An achievement test 3) Students' behaviors observation form 4) Students' opinionaire. The data were analyzed by frequency, percentages, means and standard deviation. The findings were as follows:

- 1) There were 5 teaching units on the topic of "Art and Culture."

Those were :

- 1.1 Our Chiang Mai
- 1.2 "Song Kran Lanna"
- 1.3 Our New Home
- 1.4 "Duen Yee Peng"
- 1.5 "Taan Guay Salak"

All of them were taught through selected activities and medias of 15 lesson plans for 45 periods of teaching time.

- 2) The posttest mean of the students' knowledge and understanding in Art and Culture was higher than pretest mean in all teaching units and higher than the set criteria 60/60.

- 3) Most of the students' learning behaviors and opinions were at high level.