



# MAPPING LOCAL CULTURE & HERITAGE IN THE FRENCH QUARTER & LONG BIEN BRIDGE

**URBAN EXPLORER'S CAMP** 

A group of 20 MYP students took part in a one-week urban explorer's camp as part of their annual off-campus week. For the entire week the students set up camp in the two neighbourhoods: an old school turned café in the French Quarter and a gallery/co-working space near Long Bien Bridge. The objective was to produce a map that best depicts the character of the neighbourhoods. The week was divided into two phases:

1) series of guided activities - including historic research, fact-finding, site surveys - and reflective sessions to collectively determine the narrative and map sites of significance. 2) supervised group work - giving students the opportunity to independently research, interview and photograph specific sites in the neighbourhoods. The final product was displayed at the inter-disciplinary yearly school exhibition.

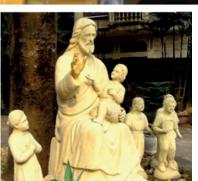
## 5-STEP PARTICIPATORY MAPPING PROCESS

"THE FRENCH QUARTER IS A PERFECT BLEND OF HANOI CHARM AND PARISIAN STYLE"

Workshop participant



























**"A GREAT INTERDISCIPLINARY** LEARNING EXPERIENCE. A CHANCE TO GET OUT OF THE CLASSROOM AND **EXPLORE THE CITY THEY** LIVE IN"

- Grade 10 teacher

#### **IMPACT**



### **COLLABORATIONS** Students worked in groups to develop international

mindedness and multi-lingualism.



### **COMMUNITY** CONNECTIONS

Students engaged in individual conversations with selected local residents and shopkeepers in the two neighbourhoods.



### **CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING**

Students became more aware of the culture and history of the city they live in through practical and fun exploration activities.

















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