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## ABSTRACT

Self contained multi-media kits for grades 1 through 6 involve students directly in the learning process. Emphasis is on non-verbal learning which takes place when youngsters examine real objects and engage in learning activities. Involved in the discovery and inquiry process, students hypothesize, classify, and categorize. In an interdisciplinary approach to the social studies, the MATCH boxes aim for both affective and cognitive learning. Cognitive objectives involve learning facts, information about ancient Greek life, contemporary Japanese life, and the city. Affective objectives help students to deal reflectively with themselves and toward the world around them. Each of the three kits are designed for two to three weeks of study. The program description is divided into five sections and includes information on goals and objectives, content and materials, classroom action, implementation and costs, and program development and evaluation. (SJM)

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MATERIALS AND ACTIVITIES FOR TEACHERS AND CHILDREN  
(MATCH)

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## INTRODUCTION

A handful of kids in a Boston area school have had it easy. They sit in class, and the MATCH project brings the world to them.

In one classroom, an accident is being staged. Mr. Lindstrom has just run into a car. What did it occur? What happened? Who was hurt? As they think of the people who would be involved, fifth graders play the parts--pedestrians, policeman, Mr. Lindstrom's boss, a lawyer, etc. This is a study of the many specialized roles played by people in the city and how very dependent people are in specialized situations.

Down the hall, a group of students is attired in Japanese kimonos--mother, father, grandmother--and are showing the rest of the class how to eat with chopsticks. They are pretty intent on picking up their food with the chopsticks.

Another group of fifth graders is working to piece together an ancient Greek room. They have seen a film on the Villa of Good Fortune, have a floor plan, and have many objects. The student leader archeologist of each of six groups presents the objects to his teacher: a statue of a goat, a sculpture of a woman's head, photographs of a door and knocker and a jar of perfumed oil, a strygil, and a photo of a bathtub. Can these "archeologists" solve the mystery?

The teacher meanwhile lends aid, consults various groups, explains material when needed, and acts as co-worker, making sure all goes smoothly. The children are actively engaged with the world around them and thus learning about themselves and each other.

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## BASIC INFORMATION

**Program Name:**

Materials and Activities for Teachers and Children (MATCH)

**Format:**

Three multimedia kits, each in an area of the social sciences (Japanese Family, Ancient City)

**Uniqueness:**

Inquiry approach to learning in which students work with real objects (artifacts, models, materials (filmstrips, records, etc.)), and engage in simulation and role-playing activities

**Content:**

Interdisciplinary approach to social studies; students examine characteristics of cities between individuals and groups; nature of everyday life of an ancient Greek household through archeology; family life of various cultures

**Suggested Use:**

Self-contained, supplementary units in social studies

**Target Audience:**

Students of all abilities in grades 1-6

**Aids for Teachers:**

Detailed teacher's guide for each unit; teacher training available from American Science Inc.

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In this approach to social studies, students examine characteristics of cities, interrelationships  
of cities and groups; nature of everyday life of an ancient Greek household through the tool of  
the study of life of various cultures

Supplementary units in social studies

Activities in grades 1-6

Teacher guide for each unit; teacher training available from American Science and Engineering,



Availability:

Three units available; in the Boston area 13 additional units may be rented from the de

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## 1. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The developer's goals are discussed here in three sections: "Long-range goals" which lives after they have completed the program; "terminal objectives," which students should achieve when they complete the program; and "detailed objectives," which should be achieved from studying the program's activities.

### 1.1 Long-range goals.

The major goal of the MATCH program is for students to begin to think and feel as a real person. This is achieved through the experience with authentic materials and thus to understand the world about them. Since the program is designed so that much of learning is nonverbal, students are exposed to real objects such as Japanese calligraphy, facts, or model city buildings in order to understand and feel what it would be like to be a member of a different culture or what it would be like to live in the city. The developers believe that it is important for students to learn facts and have become disenchanted with "knowledge as the sole end product of the learning process."<sup>1</sup> They believe that,

One whose objective is amassing facts may never learn how to learn. He becomes conditioned to submit to the finality of authority rather than to question, to consider, to test, to evaluate.<sup>2</sup>

By becoming involved with real objects rather than the printed page, the student's curiosity is stimulated, he has the freedom to experience his own feelings, and he becomes committed to "reflective doing" rather than "passive absorbing."

### 1.2 Terminal objectives

The specific objectives of the MATCH program can be divided into three groups: (a) objectives that deal with pupil knowledge levels and development of intellectual abilities and skills; (b) objectives that deal with pupil attitudes and values; and (c) objectives that deal with pupil social skills and interpersonal relationships.

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Objectives of the MATCH program can be divided into three groups: (a) cognitive goals, which emphasize the levels and development of intellectual abilities and skills; (b) affective objectives,



which deal with the child's interest level, attitudes, values and appreciations; and (c) discovery and inquiry.

*Cognitive goals.* Students should learn about something which is "out there" in the unit on the city, children form an idea of what the city is, what happens in it, and how to acquire geographic map and spatial relations skills. The Japanese Family unit introduces Japanese culture via the family; in the unit entitled "A House of Ancient Greece," students study the everyday life of an ancient Greek household. Using archeology as a tool, they learn from educated guesses, and the experience of archeologists, can all contribute to historical understanding.

Students are expected to acquire a commitment to social studies based on current social science disciplines and an awareness that facts are not an end in themselves, but are useful and meaningful patterns.

*Affective objectives.* Students learn about themselves and their capacities, become confident individuals, and build confidence in themselves. Through role-playing, they empathize with different cultures and come to understand and appreciate them.

*Discovery and inquiry.* Students make hypotheses, test and revise them as when they solve a logical puzzle of reconstructing life in the Villa of Good Fortune in the Greek unit. Students learn to classify, categorize, and sequence information, thus focusing on levels of thinking higher than simple recall.

### 1.3 Detailed objectives.

The objectives for each activity are listed at the beginning of each lesson in the Lesson 10 from the unit, "The City," the objectives are:

- To have the children recognize and respect differences in life styles.
- To remind the children that cities are populated by real people.
- To get them thinking about the unique qualities of their own lives in the city.

the child's interest level, attitudes, values and appreciations; and (c) the process of discovery.

*goals.* Students should learn about something which is "out there" in the world. In the MATCH unit, children form an idea of what the city is, what happens in it, and how it changes. They also learn about geographic map and spatial relations skills. The Japanese Family unit introduces children to the city via the family; in the unit entitled "A House of Ancient Greece," students are introduced to the life of an ancient Greek household. Using archeology as a tool, they learn that incomplete data, artifacts, and the experience of archeologists, can all contribute to historical knowledge.

Students are expected to acquire a commitment to social studies based on current data from social science and an awareness that facts are not an end in themselves, but are useful and meaningful in creating a better world.

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*and inquiry.* Students make hypotheses, test and revise them as when they work out the archeological process of reconstructing life in the Villa of Good Fortune in the Greek unit. Students also learn to analyze, synthesize, and sequence information, thus focusing on levels of thinking higher than recall.

Objectives.

Objectives for each activity are listed at the beginning of each lesson in the teacher's guides. In the unit, "The City," the objectives are:

1. Have the children recognize and respect differences in life styles.  
2. Remind the children that cities are populated by real people.  
3. Get them thinking about the unique qualities of their own lives in the city.

The Eastern Regional Institute for Education (ERIE) in collaboration with The developed a modified teacher's guide for "A House of Ancient Greece" to include specific objectives [See 1.2]. For example, after completing exercise 2, "E Pluribus Unum," series of archeological experiences, each student should be able to:

Cognitive objectives

1. State at least three observations of a simple object which are significant based upon them.
2. Construct at least three plausible inferences about a people, based upon object made by them.
3. Demonstrate active participation as a member of a team investigating a project.

Affective objective

1. Demonstrate that he enjoys the work being done with the unit and its materials.

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ive objective

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## 2. CONTENT AND MATERIALS

### 2.1 Content focus.

The main focus of the MATCH program is on the social and behavioral sciences. The Japanese family and of ancient Greece, students are exposed to the history, geography, sciences of Japan and modern and ancient Greece. In the unit "The City," the social sciences, sociology, intergroup relations, community relations, and geography are emphasized.

Other disciplines are also woven into the curriculum--art (in relation to Greek culture); science (in relation to using archeology as a tool in the Greek unit and in environment in "The City"); languages (in learning some Japanese and Greek symbols); and psychology (about the self in relation to other peoples).

### 2.2 Content and organization of the subdivisions.

The commercially available MATCH program consists of three self-contained supplements. The first is designed to be used over a period of two to three weeks for one to one and one-half hours. The unit "The City" contains 16 activities from which the teacher can choose eight to ten for grades 1-3 (K-3, according to the distributor). The unit on the Japanese family contains 11 activities for grades 5 and 6; the Greek unit contains 11 activities also designed for grades 5 and 6. It is stressed, however, that the units have been used at numerous grade levels including junior high school. In all of the units, real objects form the basis of learning.

"The City" unit is about citizenship. It teaches that any city is the product of man and is being changed by these forces--including the inhabitants themselves. It is planned to be used about cities and the interrelationships between the individuals and groups which make up a city. It is based on the belief that children's notions of citizenship evolve out of contact with the city. In the unit. Children view films of the city, create and plan cities with model buildings, etc.

## 2. CONTENT AND MATERIALS

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The focus of the MATCH program is on the social and behavioral sciences. Through studies of the history and geography of ancient Greece, students are exposed to the history, geography, social and economic conditions of ancient and modern Greece. In the unit "The City," the social science disciplines of group relations, community relations, and geography are emphasized.

Lines are also woven into the curriculum--art (in relation to Greek artifacts and Japanese art) (in relation to using archeology as a tool in the Greek unit and in learning about the environment); languages (in learning some Japanese and Greek symbols); and psychology (in learning about the relation to other peoples).

### Organization of the subdivisions.

The currently available MATCH program consists of three self-contained supplementary units. Each unit is used over a period of two to three weeks for one to one and one-half hours a day per lesson. The unit on the Japanese family contains 16 activities from which the teacher can choose eight to ten; it can be used in grades 5 and 6 (according to the distributor). The unit on the Japanese family contains nine activities suitable for grades 5 and 6; the Greek unit contains 11 activities also designed for grades 5 and 6. The developers believe that the units have been used at numerous grade levels including junior and senior high school. Pictures, real objects form the basis of learning.

The unit is about citizenship. It teaches that any city is the product of many forces and is capable of withstanding these forces--including the inhabitants themselves. It is planned to emphasize characteristics of the interrelationships between the individuals and groups which make up the city. The unit is designed so that children's notions of citizenship evolve out of contact with the materials provided in the unit. To view films of the city, create and plan cities with model buildings, take a walk through their

neighborhood and make a map of it, role play an accident situation, match city sights with these and other activities [see 3.1], the students are expected to obtain a personal view.

The unit on the Japanese family is an attempt to view another culture from the inside. Children first visit Japanese families and see some of the things that would commonly be found in a Japanese home. The class is divided into five "families"--representatives of various middle class occupations. Each child has a specific role in his family, and remains in this role throughout the course. The family pursues certain activities common to Japanese culture and family life, such as flower arranging and religious rituals. Through various role-playing activities, the children sense what it is like to be a member of a family in a different culture.

"A House of Ancient Greece" introduces students to the everyday life of an ancient Greek city through the use of archeology as a tool. It emphasizes the process of sifting through evidence of the past and drawing conclusions from this evidence. The children look at pictures and reproductions of objects that were found at the Villa of Good Fortune. Students divided into teams of archeologists piece together a picture of the function and structure of each part of the villa through the use of real objects.

The activities in the individual units are relatively independent and do not have to be done in a certain sequence in which they appear in the teacher's guides. "The City" unit guide contains a number of activity sequences, each with a somewhat different emphasis, from which the teacher can choose [see Appendix B]. There is a development in the sequence of activities within the units and a general increase in the complexity of activities are closely linked, as indicated in the teacher's guides, and should be taken in order of importance.

The units can be woven into the overall curriculum in several ways: (a) as independent units; (b) as a base on which to build a more detailed study of Greek or Japanese art, geography, history, and social processes; (c) as a basis for comparing Greek or Japanese city life to that of other cultures.

### 2.3 Materials provided.

*Student materials.* All of the materials for each unit are contained in a multimedia package.

map of it, role play an accident situation, match city sights with sounds. Through  
[see 3.1], the students are expected to obtain a personal view of what a city is.

Japanese family is an attempt to view another culture from the inside out. It introduces  
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through various role-playing activities, the children sense what it is like to be a member  
of that culture.

"Greece" introduces students to the everyday life of an ancient Greek household using  
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children look at pictures and reproductions of objects that were actually unearthed at  
excavations. Students divided into teams of archeologists piece together a picture of the  
layout of each part of the villa through the use of real objects.

The individual units are relatively independent and do not have to be presented in the  
order they appear in the teacher's guides. "The City" unit guide contains a chart with some possible  
emphases, somewhat different emphasis, from which the teacher can choose [see 2.3]. However, there  
is a sequence of activities within the units and a general increase in difficulty. A few  
units are linked, as indicated in the teacher's guides, and should be taken up in order of appearance.

Units can be woven into the overall curriculum in several ways: (a) as independent 2-3 week encounters;  
(b) to build a more detailed study of Greek or Japanese art, geography, political, and social  
history; (c) for comparing Greek or Japanese city life to that of other cultures and other times.

All of the materials for each unit are contained in a multimedia unit-kit entitled a



MATCH Box. The materials consist primarily of real, concrete objects combined with films, graphs, models, maps, and books. The children can handle and use many of the objects.

"The City" MATCH Box contains the 16mm color-sound film entitled "My City," four books (*Corner, The Red Balloon, The Looking Down Game, How to Read a City Map*), a picture pool of four aerial maps and a map of an imaginary town called Five Corners, a set of four magnets over the map for a detailed look at a particular section, a record entitled "City Sounds," buildings and a magnetic board.

"The Japanese Family" MATCH Box contains a record entitled "Sounds of Japan," a photo book, a magazine, and a poetry book, a calligraphy box with brushes, ink stone, water dish and the seal. There are five envelopes included--one for each family--each containing a Family history, nine Family Role cards, five Family job charts, a chart showing how to use the brush and a calligraphy card. In addition, there are five boxes of materials for each family. The Tanaka Box contains a brass bell, striker for bell, cushion, incense burner and sticks, a Buddha statue and an incense burner; the Yamakawa Box contains a flower, a scroll and dried flowers; the Honda Box contains different types of Japanese shoes; the Tanaka Box includes a soup bowl, plates, bowls, dry soup and several pairs of chopsticks.

The Greek MATCH Box contains authentic ancient artifacts (a coin and pottery shard); reproductions of ancient Greek statuary; reproductions of metal artifacts (coins, jewelry, spoon, fish hook and strygil); miscellaneous reproductions and other objects (wax tablet and stylus, clothing, knucklebones, loom weight, olive oil wick, mortar and pestle, etc.); maps, photographs (maps of Greece, photographs of the Villa of Good Fortune and of excavated objects, two film strips and the Villa); and three reference books on archeology and ancient Greece.

*Teacher materials.* Each MATCH Box contains a detailed teacher's guide to show how all the materials can be used in the classroom. Each guide has a fold-out front cover illustrating the materials and how they are packaged. There is also a section in the guide called "Initial Set up and Turnaround" which tells how to set up the materials and check the unit at the end of its use for possible reuse.

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Box contains the 16mm color-sound film entitled "My City," four books about the city (*Evan's*, *The Looking Down Game*, *How to Read a City Map*), a picture pool of 36 photographs, a set of a map of an imaginary town called Five Corners, a set of four magic windows to be placed to look at a particular section, a record entitled "City Sounds," and 75 wooden blocks on a board.

"MATCH" Box contains a record entitled "Sounds of Japan," a photo album, a Japanese comic book, a poetry book, a calligraphy box with brushes, ink stone, water dish, seal, and ink for envelopes included--one for each family--each containing a Family Guide, three family role cards, five Family job charts, a chart showing how to use the Family's materials,

In addition, there are five boxes of materials for each family. The Kawai Box contains a bell, cushion, incense burner and sticks, a Buddha statue and an ancestor tablet; the Boy's and girl's kimonos with sashes; the Yamakawa Box contains a flower bowl, a box of dried flowers; the Honda Box contains different types of Japanese shoes; the Yashida Box contains plates, bowls, dry soup and several pairs of chopsticks.

Box contains authentic ancient artifacts (a coin and pottery shard); actual-size reproductions of a statuette; reproductions of metal artifacts (coins, jewelry, spoon, snail, safety pin, etc.); miscellaneous reproductions and other objects (wax tablet and stylus, cloth to drape as a loom weight, olive oil wick, mortar and pestle, etc.); maps, photographs and filmstrips of the Villa of Good Fortune and of excavated objects, two filmstrips of Olynthus and three reference books on archeology and ancient Greece.

Each MATCH Box contains a detailed teacher's guide to show how all the materials can be used. Each guide has a fold-out front cover illustrating the materials in the Box and how they are used. There is also a section in the guide called "Initial Set up and Turnaround information" which tells how to set up the materials and check the unit at the end of its use for possible damage and

required replacements. Each guide has a preface with a short rationale of the project, a specific unit, and a brief description of each lesson activity.

The largest section of the teacher's guide for each unit consists of numbered Lessons. Each lesson gives a description of the lesson, outlines the objectives, materials, and arrangements needed for the lesson, details the procedure, gives notes on using the materials and on planning ahead for future lessons. The guide for "The City" includes a chart giving a sequence of activities from which the teacher can choose. Topics are a general view of the city, people and the dynamics of the city, the neighborhood, the city, the physical form of the city and maps. At the end of each guide there is a list of additional books for teachers and children and additional films and filmloops which may be used.

The ERIE modified guide on "A House of Ancient Greece" contains the above information plus behavioral objectives for each lesson [see 1.3], background and supplemental material for the lesson, procedures for reviewing and means of assessing student performance including a questionnaire to evaluate the objectives of the program. Plans for publishing this guide, however, are still indefinite.

In addition to the teacher's guides, there are ditto masters of maps and exercises to be used by students.

#### 2.4 Materials not provided.

All required materials for students and teachers are provided.

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es for each lesson [see 1.3], background and supplemental material for each lesson, proce-  
and means of assessing student performance including a questionnaire to parents to assess  
he program. Plans for publishing this guide, however, are still indefinite.

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### 3. CLASSROOM ACTION

#### 3.1 Teaching-learning strategy

The MATCH program is built around an inquiry and discovery strategy which encourages an active role in finding things out for themselves. By manipulating real objects, the children learn to question and explore and discover what life actually would be like in Japan, ancient Greece, and other cultures. Children are encouraged to handle and use such objects in the units as calligraphy brushes, ink, and paper to see how the Japanese or Greeks would have used them. Learning in this way proceeds from the child rather than from the teacher; the child is thus the agent of his own learning--whether by exploring a religious ceremony or discovering and piecing together the artifacts of an ancient civilization. Activities call for class division into small groups with a student as leader rather than teacher. The teacher's role is that of co-worker or co-learner. Much open classroom presentation and free discussion are used.

Although most of the activities rely on discovery and inquiry techniques--study, observation, material, evaluate it, set up, test, and revise hypotheses--the developers realize that some skills are achieved through other teaching-learning methods. Inquiry and exposition skills are developed through the study of books or films are studied with the intention of affecting attitudes about other people. A map reading activity followed by practice is used to teach map reading skills.

#### 3.2 Typical lesson.

Most of the lesson activities are introduced in one of three ways: (a) by having the teacher bring objects from a MATCH Box to the children and allowing them to handle them and ask questions; (b) by having the teacher show a film or photograph and allowing children to exclaim and ask questions; (c) by having the teacher explain the objectives of a lesson, leaving a bit of a mystery, and having the children work in teams from which they proceed on their own.

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#### Learning strategy

The program is built around an inquiry and discovery strategy which encourages students to take an active role in finding things out for themselves. By manipulating real objects, the students use their imagination to explore and discover what life actually would be like in Japan, ancient Greece, or the city. They are encouraged to handle and use such objects in the units as calligraphy brushes or Greek jewelry to experience how these or Greeks would have used them. Learning in this way proceeds from the materials rather than the teacher; the child is thus the agent of his own learning--whether by exploring the ritual of a Japanese ceremony or discovering and piecing together the artifacts of an ancient Greek room. Most of the time is spent in small groups with a student as leader rather than the teacher whose role is that of co-worker or co-learner. Much open classroom presentation and free discussion ensues.

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#### Lesson.

The lesson activities are introduced in one of three ways: (a) by having the teacher present a MATCH Box to the children and allowing them to handle them and ask questions about them; (b) by having the teacher show a film or photograph and allowing children to exclaim and ask questions; or (c) by having the teacher explain the objectives of a lesson, leaving a bit of a mystery, and dividing the class into groups in which they proceed on their own.

Lesson 1 from the unit "A House of Ancient Greece," the children take things out of a full wastebasket

one at a time and try to discover which room the basket stood in, what went on in the room, and who were who used it. The objectives are stated in the teacher's guide:

- To introduce the children to the methods of archeology.
- To show that much can be learned about people from their leavings.
- To demonstrate that what is learned from people's leavings depends on careful record keeping, and thoughtful interpretation.

To begin the lesson, the teacher places the wastebasket where all can see it and acts as excavator. His job is to take the objects one by one out of the basket and to describe and discuss them. Important clues should be passed around. The teacher then appoints another student as excavator. It is his job to draw a cross-section view of the basket on the blackboard and note the important items as they are dug up by the excavator.

Next, the basket is excavated piece by piece. The teacher asks the children to give conclusions about the contents and explains that they need to be good detectives to do this. As the clues in the basket, the teacher should help the class to find answers to such questions: Who might have thrown it in? How long ago was it thrown in? Has the basket been used since? Are there old things in it? Which items give the best clues? Where does the basket come from?

The teacher's guide mentions several important points about excavating illustrated in the following list:

1. Once the basket has been excavated, it is easy to forget where items were unearthened.
2. We can feel quite sure about some things but can only guess about others.
3. It is possible to come to the wrong conclusions or to be fooled by what we see.

By the end of the lesson, the class should come to a conclusion about where the basket was used, and thus be introduced to the process of archeology taken up in subsequent lessons.

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### *Teacher's role.*

With materials at hand, learning can proceed from the materials and doesn't have to proceed from the teacher. She does not have to be the repository and dispenser of information. With materials instead of the teacher serving as the learning medium, the teacher is freed to become a co-worker or co-learner and associate of the students . . . In a situation like this it seems that the teacher is freer to be herself. Her personality and learning task itself are separated. The children are not placed in the position of having to read her--they can concentrate on the subject that matters rather than on the subject who matters.<sup>3</sup>

The teacher is responsible for (a) choosing and structuring activities commensurate the class; (b) introducing lessons and materials; (c) showing films, filmstrips, and photographs appropriate students for various role-playing situations; and (e) guiding class discussion activities of the class.

*Student's role.* The students are actively engaged in the learning process. They work with filmstrips, look at photographs and comment about them, work directly with materials, discover pictures, share experiences with each other, use their imaginations, and are involved in problem solving situations. Throughout any unit, students are discovering and inquiring--with materials, testing, revising them and reaching conclusions. They are involved in a continuous encounter, response, and reencounter with the materials.

### 3.3 Student testing and evaluation.

No tests have been prepared for any part of the MATCH program. Teachers are to observe learning from what they are doing and saying. This is no doubt a direct outgrowth of the collaborative role with the children and the fact that materials enable student performance to be observed. The developers state:

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She is responsible for (a) choosing and structuring activities commensurate with the ability of the students; (b) introducing lessons and materials; (c) showing films, filmstrips, and photographs; (d) choosing materials and situations for various role-playing situations; and (e) guiding class discussion and overseeing all activities in the class.

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In the ERIE modification of the teacher's guide, assessment procedures are provided in becoming a better observer of pupil performance. These clearly define what to look for through opinion voting box results (children rate activities as to how they liked them) and regularly bringing materials to class which are related to the activity studied. In addition, for parents to complete asking if the child talks about what he is learning at home.

#### 3.4 Out-of-class preparation.

*Teacher.* The teacher should be thoroughly familiar with the MATCH program, its rationale, before beginning to teach any unit. He should also familiarize himself with the objects in the MATCH Box. He then should choose activities commensurate with the ability level of the class. The key to the success of the MATCH units is that the teacher understand his students and be able to assign appropriate roles for the role-playing activities. In addition, the teacher must look at each activity before presenting it to the class, familiarize himself with the background materials, make sure the materials needed are present, observe student behavior, and reproduce ditto masters where necessary. He should also work the units into his regular curriculum either as separate two- to three-week end units or integrate the material into a broader spectrum of activities. Although learning proceeds from the materials, it is the teacher's job to make sure that all proceeds smoothly.

*Student.* There are very few explicit homework assignments for students, although there is some material for this purpose. In the unit "The City," students are expected to solve at home a problem to run an anticipated highway through the town of Five Corners. They also may be asked to bring home into class.

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#### 4. IMPLEMENTATION: REQUIREMENTS AND COSTS

##### 4.1 School facilities and arrangements.

The classroom should be large enough to permit the teacher to divide the class into small groups. Moveable furniture would be an asset as some activities call for the whole class to watch a film or small group activities. There should be ample room for displaying the objects, presenting skits, and seminars. No special type of classroom, school, or staff organization is necessary.

##### 4.2 Student prerequisites.

There are no special student prerequisites for the MATCH program. Because learning proceeds through real objects rather than the printed page, a nonverbal student who doesn't read well or who who participates in large class discussions should experience success with this program.

##### 4.3 Teacher prerequisites and training.

MATCH units were designed to be extremely well organized and easily manageable, requiring minimal teacher preparation. Earlier it was assumed that a careful reading of the guides before introducing the units to the class was all that was necessary in the way of teacher preparation. However, time has shown that teachers are more comfortable and the units better presented following some training or a structured introduction.

During the summer of 1970, ERIE conducted a three-day workshop in the Syracuse, New York area for teachers with experience with all available MATCH units and the MATCH approach to learning. The workshop served to prepare teacher/leaders to train other teachers in the use of MATCH units. The workshop was arranged for districts that purchase a minimum of six kits of each unit (18-20 kits) by contacting American Science and Engineering, Inc. The workshops are conducted by people who have worked on the MATCH program or have taught units in it. In some cases, demonstrations of the units can be arranged at colleges. Interested persons should contact American Science for details and costs of the program.

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4.4 Cost of materials, equipment, services.

The following chart itemizes information about the use and cost of materials:

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Required Items	Quantity Needed	Source	Cost/Item
KITS:			
The City	1 per several classes	All items from American Science and Engineering	\$557
<u>Replacement listing</u>			
Film	As needed		\$200
Wooden buildings and board	As needed		250.98
Maps	As needed		25.45
Ditto masters	As needed		3.00
Picture pool	As needed		50.00
Magic windows	As needed		15.00
Record	As needed		4.98
4 books	As needed		2.95-3.95
Carrying case	As needed		19.95
Teacher's guide	As needed		4.00

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As needed		15.00	
As needed		4.98	
As needed		2.95-3.95	
As needed		19.95	
As needed		4.00	

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A House of Ancient Greece	1 per several classes		\$525	
<u>Replacement listing</u>				
6 kits	As needed		\$58.55-129.50	
Maps and sketches	As needed		2.85- 4.30	
Filmstrip	As needed		6.00	
Authentic coin	As needed		13.75	
3 books	As needed		3.95- 4.95	
Carrying case	As needed		19.95	
Teacher's guide*	As needed		4.00	
Japanese Family	1 per several classes		\$770.00	
<u>Replacement listing</u>				
Film (optional)	As needed		\$275.00	
Family kits (5)	As needed		48.25-130.85	
Table	As needed		19.95	
Books and magazines	As needed		1.50- 7.15	
Record	As needed		4.98	
Photo album	As needed		8.95	
Calligraphy set	As needed		8.65	
Extra drawers	As needed		42.90	
Carrying case	As needed		19.95	
Teacher's guide	As needed		4.00	

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<u>Recommended Supplementary Items</u>	<u>Quantity Needed</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Cost/Item</u>
Additional teacher's guides for each unit	1 per teacher	American Science and Engineering, Inc.	\$4.00

In addition, the three commercial MATCH units can be rented or leased directly from the following sources: The City (\$55); Japanese Family (\$65); American Museum of Natural History (\$65). Shipping charges are extra. Also, thirteen other MATCH Boxes can be rented from the American Museum of Natural History in New York City or from the Museum of Science in Boston for \$30 to \$40 for two to three weeks. Because of heavy local demand and a lack of facilities, the Museum does not ship MATCH Boxes for rental outside the New England states.

The developers also stress that not all the materials in a MATCH Box may be needed. Some items can be purchased separately. A small class, for instance, might need only four or five kits instead of the five which are offered. Units may also be purchased without films, which would reduce the cost. One unit can be used for as many as 15 classes.

*Other costs.* Schools will need to have a 16mm projector and screen, an 8mm filmstripper, and a record player.

#### 4.5 Community relations.

It can be inferred that this program is probably no more critical to introduce than

Items	Quantity Needed	Source	Cost/Item	Replacement Rate
Teacher's MATCH unit	1 per teacher	American Science and Engineering, Inc.	\$4.00	Reusable

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It is inferred that this program is probably no more critical to introduce than any new program.

## 5. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION

### 5.1 Rationale.

In 1964, the Children's Museum of Boston proposed a project to the U.S. Office of said in part:

Much of learning is non-verbal. Instead of being mediated by words it is mediated by things. Because they like time and money, most teachers even the ones in over-privileged schools--do not possess the vocabulary things they need to communicate effectively with their pupils . . . This lack of appropriate media with which to convey knowledge and to develop skills and attitudes is particularly acute at the elementary level where the portion of non-verbal learning is high.<sup>5</sup>

It was felt that a nonverbal fact could best be communicated by a single object or convey a nonverbal principle or concept, patterns of media or objects were needed. The the focus of their project, then, was to investigate ways of combining media that would communication between teachers and pupils on subjects having a high nonverbal content.

Several theories have been combined in the development of the program. Bruner in *Instruction*, emphasizes the role of inferring or discovery learning and believes that a learning task is necessary for mastery in any field. To support the importance of the and interpersonal relationships to the development of the child, Erickson in *Childhood* if the child despairs of his tools and skills of his status among his tool partners, his and he abandons hope for the ability to identify with others.

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A nonverbal fact could best be communicated by a single object or medium, but in order to describe a principle or concept, patterns of media or objects were needed. The developers believe that the next step, then, was to investigate ways of combining media that would allow meaningful open communication between teachers and pupils on subjects having a high nonverbal content.

These ideas have been combined in the development of the program. Bruner in *Toward A Theory of Instruction* emphasizes the role of inferring or discovery learning and believes that an inquiry attitude toward learning is necessary for mastery in any field. To support the importance of the acquisition of skills and relationships to the development of the child, Erickson in *Childhood and Society* states that the child's use of his tools and skills of his status among his tool partners, his ego boundaries suffer and that the ability to identify with others.

The importance of interpersonal and social interaction in the learning process is supported by Carl Rogers. Rogers states that when the learner is prized as a separate person, valued in his



own right, and given the freedom to experience his own feelings and those of others with  
threatened, the climate for learning increases.

## 5.2 Program development.

The Children's Museum of Boston spent a total of 47 months (1964-1968) developing  
overall strategy of the program consisted of developing and evaluating three distinct  
Boxes. By this strategy, the developers sought to conceive the MATCH Box form, establish  
MATCH Boxes, and find out how they worked in the classroom before developing all of the  
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1. Topic selection and Box conception (3 months). Ideas for boxes were generated  
background research was conducted, curricula studied, subject matter specialists
2. Early research and development (3 months). Coleaders interviewed subject matter  
teachers, and certain ones were invited to work on the Box thus forming the  
diverse research was undertaken into available films, pictures, filmstrips, books,  
real materials that might be used in the Box. Sample materials were previewed,  
readied, and various elementary curricula studied and compared.
3. Tryouts and revision (6 months). Tryouts were spread over six months of development  
January through June in public and private schools. Lessons and lesson sequences
4. Final development and production (3 months). During this stage, design of the  
teacher's guides written, materials specified and ordered, packaging designs  
graphics designed, the Boxes assembled. Many of the Boxes and materials were  
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14 units were built on 16 different topics. Plans were made to evaluate the new Boxes in  
ystems, develop evaluation procedures, and train people to use them.

5. Evaluation (3 months). Each generation of Boxes was formally evaluated in the school fall and winter after its completion. Evaluations were conducted in a diversified systems mostly near Boston except for Salinas, California and Somerset, Pennsylvania the prime source of data on how the Boxes worked. Classroom observers were a second. Teachers filled out questionnaires on the program and observers wrote summaries of Evaluation periods ran two to three weeks with the Box being used an hour per day.
6. Data analysis and Box appraisal (3 months). After the Boxes had been evaluated, a report and a report on each Box prepared. The Boxes were turned over to the Museum's School Department for direct circulation to schools.

*Related programs.* Aside from the three commercially available Boxes which this Report the Children's Museum has developed other Boxes available on a rental basis [see 4.4]. These include: Birds (grades K-2) to teach young children the purposes of classification; The Algonquins (grades K-2) to teach about the Algonquin Indians; Seeds (grades 3, 4) to learn about seeds and seed dispersal; Igloos (grades 1-3) to compare an Eskimo igloo with a Nigerian mud-and-thatch hut to learn that different people call for different ways of life; Animal Camouflage (grades 2, 3); Netsilik Eskimos (grades 3, 4) to study the seal hunt; Musical Shapes and Sounds (grades 3, 4) to study the relationship of the size of instruments; Rocks (grades 5, 6); Medieval People (grades 5, 6) focusing on life in a fictitious village; Waterplay (grades nursery-2) to allow children to become aware of what is around them; Unlimited (grades 4-6) drawing on children's thoughts and feelings of images; Paddle-to-the-Sea (grades 4-6) about a story of an Indian's canoeing adventures; and the MATCH Box Press (grades 5, 6) allow children to print a book.

### 5.3 Developer's evaluation of program.

As each unit reached the prototype stage, it was formally evaluated. Teachers in the Salinas, California, and Somerset, Pennsylvania area filed daily written reports on individual units and submitted careful appraisals on the total unit. This data was evaluated by the Museum's School Department. In addition, specialists observed MATCH units in use in the classroom to provide a further perspective.

on (3 months). Each generation of Boxes was formally evaluated in the schools during the winter after its completion. Evaluations were conducted in a diversified sample of school mostly near Boston except for Salinas, California and Somerset, Pennsylvania. Teachers were the source of data on how the Boxes worked. Classroom observers were a secondary source. They filled out questionnaires on the program and observers wrote summaries of their impressions. Demonstration periods ran two to three weeks with the Box being used an hour per day.

Analysis and Box appraisal (3 months). After the Boxes had been evaluated, the data was analyzed and a report on each Box prepared. The Boxes were turned over to the Museum's School Services Department for direct circulation to schools.

Programs. Aside from the three commercially available Boxes which this Report has focused upon, the Museum has developed other Boxes available on a rental basis [see 4.4]. These are: Grouping Boxes to teach young children the purposes of classification; The Algonquins (grades 3, 4) to learn about Algonquin Indians; Seeds (grades 3, 4) to learn about seeds and seed dispersal; Houses (grades 3, 4) to learn about Eskimo igloo with a Nigerian mud-and-thatch hut to learn that different physical surroundings affect ways of life; Animal Camouflage (grades 2, 3); Netsilik Eskimos (grades 3, 4) focusing on Eskimo life; Geometric Shapes and Sounds (grades 3, 4) to study the relationship of the size and sound of objects; Medieval People (grades 5, 6) focusing on life in a fictional medieval French village (grades nursery-2) to allow children to become aware of what is around them; Imagination Boxes (grades 4-6) drawing on children's thoughts and feelings of images; Paddle-to-the-Sea (grades 4-6) drawing on children's thoughts and feelings of images; Paddle-to-the-Sea (grades 4-6) drawing on children's thoughts and feelings of images; Paddle-to-the-Sea (grades 4-6) drawing on children's thoughts and feelings of images; and the MATCH Box Press (grades 5, 6) allowing children to

#### Evaluation of program.

When a Box reached the prototype stage, it was formally evaluated. Teachers in the Syracuse, New York, Salinas, California, and Somerset, Pennsylvania filed daily written reports on individual lessons within the Box. They submitted careful appraisals on the total unit. This data was evaluated by the Museum staff. In addition, observers observed MATCH units in use in the classroom to provide a further perspective.

During the development and testing of the 16 units, approximately 350 teachers used c additional teachers tested selected lessons. Approximately 12,000 students were involved

#### 5.4 Results of developer's evaluation.

The following are the results of the field tests on the units "The City," "The Japanese House of Ancient Greece."

The data from the unit "The City" show that teachers were pleased with the Box experim involved rated the lessons "very successful" 56% of the time, "moderately successful" 36% of "unsuccessful" 7% of the time. Observers answered positively to the question "Did the acti some thought them not appropriate to the age group involved. Teachers responded that child affected by the experience and showed greater interest in the lessons than in other approach the Box was well received by teachers and children, with the reservations that some of the difficult for grades 1-3, some not creative enough, and that the Box should perhaps be limi drawn from a single city.

The Greek Box in general elicited high enthusiasm from teachers and children. In an o of 1-5, teachers placed the Greek Box at 4.5 The response of the teachers involved to the lessons was 87 "very successful"; 28 "moderatley effective" and 1 "unsuccessful." Observer teachers. Teachers felt that children's attention, interest in the subject and class discu usual. One observer commented, "Yes, I'd say the children learned a lot about Greece, and process of discovery, analysis, sifting information, etc. The children worked intelligently commented, "Oh boy! We didn't have to read any books, we just worked with real things."7

In addition, 67% of the observers felt that the lessons did not require the teacher to media and children. They thought there was a wholeness about the Greek Box. The expedition by teachers to be uncontrived; it is a thing that happened in real life. This quality of " to greatly interest the children involved.

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The Japanese Box was rated "very high" by teachers regarding its overall success. Teachers rated class interest in the subject as "more than usual." One hundred percent of the teachers reported that children knew they had learned something and knew what they had learned. From the teacher's point of view, the Box was a success because it encouraged them to do "fun things" in a school situation, to control and plan something on their own (Japanese family skits). Much of the success was due to the role-playing/family strategy. By seeing the rules for a Japanese family's behavior and acting them out themselves, and by finding out why they came to be the way they are, the children gained a sense out of their own world. As one teacher said:

I think the rest [class with exception of 3] learned something for themselves: an insight, a glimpse into another world; an art, a grace, a beauty; an attitude, a skill, a curiosity to know more--an understanding of the kinship of man--more of these, every participating member now possesses about Japan.<sup>8</sup>

#### 5.5 Project funding.

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