Local Guide Training Course

Trainer Guide

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Introduction

Welcome to the Local Guide course. The purpose of this guide is to provide you, the trainer, with guidelines about the presentation and learner support requirements for the course. This trainer's guide will enable you to plan, prepare, conduct and evaluate this course.

Goal of this Course

By the end of the training courses the learners will have good knowledge of his/her tourist destination and basic practical skills to conduct local excursion tour guiding professionally, reflecting high standards of tour guiding, customer service and operational best practice in order to enhance income opportunities for existing local guides and access to job for new entrants.

Course Duration

This is an seven day course. Training will take place 6 hours a day, excluding couse openning and closing, tea breaks or any other unscheduled activities in class.

This programme is designed for a maximum of 25 delegates learners.

Target Audience

The following target beneficiaries should attend this course:

- Existing local tourist guides in Ha Giang, Sapa, TT-Hue and Hoi An. Target: Youth (male and female) and men. Trainees from ethnic minority group generally don't have very high literacy, but some have good English and tour conducting skills
- New entrants young people.
- Local guides in other tourist destination in Vietnam

Learning Outcomes

At the end of this course, the learner should be able to:

- Explain the tourism industry and why people travel;
- Know his/her tourist destination focusing on natural and cultural attractions, ethnic, local tradition and lifestyles and available tourism services;
- Deliver quality local tour guiding service to tourists;
- Conduct tours within hygiene and safety principles and practices to the satisfaction of guests.

Resources Required

In order to teach this course, please ensure that you have the following available. The specific resources needed for each topic are listed in the lesson plans.

- Facilities: training room, laptop, beamer and projector, microphones and speakers.
- **Equipment**: first-aid kit, hand washing basins, etc.
- Additional teaching resources: Trainer's guide, training manual for learners, A0 paper, markers, colour paper, scissors, adhesive tape, video clips.
- Trainer Toolkits: must develop these themselves based on their local area: travel information tool kit for each destination which include: tourist maps, directory of tourism attractions and description. List of major hotels, home-stay and contact details, addresses and phone contacts of banks, post office, emergency lines. A package of tour guide travel documents and forms.
- **Participants' preparation**: the participants are required to prepare at least a verbal presentation about one local tourist attraction in order to practice in the days 5 and 7.

Training programme

Timing	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
08:00 – 09:30	7:30: Opening and course introduction 8:00: Module 1: Understanding Tourism • Module introduction (30') • Topic 1: The tourism system	Module 2: Communicating with tourists Topic 1: Building Rapport	Module 3: Tour guiding process and skills Topic 1: Identify tourism infrastructure and services in your destination	Module 3: (cont.) Topic 4: Receiving Tourists Module 3: (cont.) Topic 5: Guiding Tourists	Module 4: Safety and security Topic 1: Visitor health	Module 5: Leading a Cultural or Historical Tour Debriefing: On-site practise the history tour Guest speaker about local history and cultural attractions.	On-site practice leading a nature-based tour and debriefing
			TEA BREA	K			
10:00 – 11:30	Module 1: (cont.) Topic 1: The tourism system (cont.) Topic 2: Who are tourists? (1h)	Module 2: (cont.) Topic 2: Communicating with tourists	Module 3: (cont.) Topic 2: Develop an engaging tour plan	Module 3: (cont.) Topic 5: Guiding Tourists	Module 4: (cont.) Topic 2: Visitor safety	Module 6: Leading a Nature-based Tour Topic 1: Planning a nature-based tour.	On-site practice leading a nature- based tour and debriefing

Timing	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
LUNCH							
13:00 – 14:30	Module 1: (cont.) Topic 3: Why tourists visit Vietnam	Module 2: (cont.) Topic 3: Cross cultural communication	Module 3: (cont.) Topic 3: Preparation for work 2.1: Personal hygiene and appearance	Module 3: (cont.) Topic 5: Guiding Tourists Topic 6: Tour Closing	Module 5: Leading a Cultural or Historical Tour Topic 1: Learning the cultures of your destination	Module 6: Leading a Nature-based Tour: Topic 1:Planning a nature - based tour	On-site practice leading a nature-based tour and debriefing
			TEA BREA	К			
15:00 – 16:30	Module 1: (cont.) Topic 4: What is tour guiding?	Module 2: (cont.) Topic 4: Handling complaints	Module 3: (cont.) Topic 3: Preparation for work 2.2: Tour Preparation	Module 3: (cont.) Topic 6: Tour Closing	Module 5: Leading a Cultural or Historical Tour Topic 1: Learning the cultures of your destination. On-site practice in leading a cultural tour in	Module 6: Leading a Nature-based Tour • Guest speaker about local natural attractions • Topic 2: Practise leading a	 Post course evaluation Closing and certificate award

Timing	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
					local area	nature-based tour (Plan for the whole day onsite - practise (30')	

Training course opening

At the completion of this module learners will be able to:

- Get acquaintance with the trainer and other trainees in group.
- Identify training course objectives and schedule.

Training course opening

Element	Time	Teaching Methods and Activities	Resources
Element Opening ceremony Introduction of trainers and trainees	Time	Teaching Methods and Activities Welcome and opening remarks by representatives of HITT programme, local partners and organisers • Trainers and trainees write their given names in a A4 paper that is already folded in 4 and pyramid shaped • All participants put the written name "board" on the desk • Introduction starts with demonstration of trainer • Trainer throws a ball to one of the trainees. Ask that trainer to introduce him/herself briefly. Introduction should include: • Name of trainee • Experiences in leading local tours	Markers Colour paper A small ball or the like (tennis ball, apple, etc.)
Introduction of training course objectives and schedule			Colour paper Flip chart or white board
Fill in Registration forms		Assist participants to complete the HITT Beneficiary Registration forms	Registration forms for all beneficiaries

Module 1: Understanding tourism

At the completion of this module learners will be able to:

- Identify different components of the tourism system and services offered by actors in the tourism cycle.
- Define tourists and understand their needs and motivations to go to a destination.
- Describe different types of tour guides.
- Explain roles and responsibilities of local tour guides.

Module 1: Understanding tourism

Module Introduction (30 minutes)

(This should be done with only the **Slide 1** of the Module facing the delegates)

Ur To	odule 1: nderstanding ourism	Time	Teaching Methods and Activities	Resources
1.	Attention getter	min	• Scene setter: Trainer arrives dressed as a tourist, and goes from delegate to delegate asking what they are offering in terms of tour products in order to choose between them. Trainer makes a big show of comparing options, considering them, rejecting some, etc.	Travel gears such as backpack, camera, hat, sunglasses, walking shoes and stick, etc.
2.	Establish relevance of topic	10 min	• Discussion why it is important for local guide to understand who are tourists, why and how they get to Vietnam and the village and their desires and needs when coming to a village and go on a tour. Explain their roles in serving tourists and thus contributing to the tourism industry in Vietnam.	-
3.	Establish Prior Learning	10 min	 Discussion: invite participants to share their prior experiences of what a local guide have to do. Explain and show the Slide 2 of main topics covered in the module. 	-

Module Content (5.5 hours)

Topic 1: The tourism system (1.5 hours)	Slide 4
Definition of tourism	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Ask learners	Flipchart, A1
O What is tourism?	paper, markers;
• List their answers.	adhesive tape,
• Explain what tourism is based on the Slide 4:	blue tack.
Activities connected with:	
- Trips taken by people outside their habitual residences;	
- Aimed at satisfying their needs for sightseeing, study, leisure or	•

recreation;

- In a certain period of time. (Vietnam Tourism Law, 2005)

Emphasize key points in the definition including: location, duration and purpose of the trip.

• Ask learners...

O Why tourism is important?

Explain in brief that tourism can provide huge benefits to the destination:

- *Income and job generation:* local people can participate in various positions in the tourism industry such as operator of homestay facilities, on-site (local) tour guide and narrator, cook, porter, motorbike taxi driver, handicraft maker and street vendor, etc. Those jobs are able to provide them with a rewarding income ranging from dozens to hundreds of dollars a month depending seasonality or level of occupational skills. Although those are generally part-time or seasonal jobs, some are regular or fulltime such as homestay operator or professional local tour guide working for local travel agencies.
- Developing local economy: tourism will not only provide direct job and income to participants in tourism businesses but also benefit other stakeholders who can provide indirect goods and services such as construction workers, suppliers to hotels and restaurants (like farmers or groceries), toll fee collection staffs, and so on. It is estimated that one direct tourism job can create two indirect jobs in supporting sectors. Therefore tourism revenue will contribute to generating income for other sectors such as agriculture or construction, and thus create a wider local economic impacts (so called revenue multiplier) in the destination.
- Contribution to cultural preservation: culture is a valuable asset of the tourism industry because it provides great attractions to visitors coming to discover. Tourists would like to see and experience only well preserve traditional cultural features of the destination, thus make local people understand cultural values and motivate them to preserve them. In addition, tourism can also provide direct fund from revenue as well as indirect funds from Government expenditures or international organisations' assistance project for conservation.
- Raising awareness on environmental values and conservation: tourism can also make local people understand values of natural resources and environment. Awareness raising campaigns and activities are promoted in order to gain public interest and contribute to natural conservation.

Topic 1: The tourism system (1.5 hours)	Slide 5
Why provide best services to tourists?	05 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorming: Why provide best services to tourists?	Flipchart, A1
Explain reasons for having best services based on the Slide 5:	paper, markers; adhesive tape, blue tack.
1. <i>Happier tourists:</i> best services make people happy and as a result they are willing to pay more, stay longer and most important create returned tourists.	
2. <i>Repeat business:</i> local people can sell more and make a higher and sustainable profit when they have a chance to work with returned customers.	
3. Word of mouth: when a person is happy they tell 2 people. When they are disappointed they tell 10 people. Nowadays word of mouth becomes the most direct, cheapest and strongest communication channel to spread out information about a tourist destination and facility to the public including prospect customers.	
4. <i>Increased income:</i> tourists will pay for value which they can get from provided services by local people. The higher the service quality, the more income opportunities the local people could have.	
5. Secured job: when a destination can maintain a tourist market, it can secure employment for local people. When a single person or local business can help destination maintain its customers, it generally requires local people to work together and provide good services and hospitality to the customers in the destination.	
6. Good reputation for village: a good image of the local people and destination will be created when people together provide good services in the destination. Tourists will perceive reputation of a village when they experience a single service as well as hospitality, safety and security in the destination as a whole.	
Emphasize the direct link of best services to benefit of local community	

Topic 1: The tourism system (1.5 hours)	Slide 6 – 9
Benefits of tourism? Negative impacts of tourism	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Activity 1. Impacts of tourism:	Flipchart, A1
	paper, markers;
• Learners work in 4 groups to create poster	adhesive tape,
o Group 1, 2: benefit of tourism	blue tack,
o Group 3, 4: negative impacts of tourism	crayons.
• Make a "poster show". Ask learner to explain their posters.	
• Summarize benefits and negative impacts of tourism based on Slide 7 –	
9:	

Benefits of tourism	Negative impacts of tourism
1. Increased income	1. Trash & pollution
2. Create opportunity for	2. Lose natural beauty
employment and job	3. Begging
3. Improved government	4. Safety & Security
services	5. Loss of wildlife
4. Improved living standards	6. Change in culture
5. Enhanced cultural exchange	7. Loss of valuable artefacts
opportunity and community	8. Disturb villagers
pride.	
sk some trainees share real experienc	es in context of local site.

Topic 1: The tourism system (1.5 hours)	Slide 10
Tourism industry	05 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
 Explain services and facilities (in brief) as shown on the Slide 10: Transport: carrying tourists from/ to their original departure place to/ from the visiting destination by different transportation means such as airplane, coach, car, motorbike taxi, boat, train. Accommodation: a place with adequate amenities and services to help tourists stay overnight in the destination in a comfortable manner, including hotel, guest house, hostel, homestay house, camp, or villa. Tour guiding: taking tourists to see and learn about local attractions. Tour guiding service could also include arrangement of local services or group management. Explain tourism and its different components/ elements using pictures. 	 Flipchart, A1 paper, markers; adhesive tape, blue tack. Pictures of key tourism in Vietnam Pictures of key tourism infrastructures, facilities and services

Topic 1: The tourism system (1.5 hours)	Slide 11 – 12
Elements of tourism and the tourism industry	20 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Introduce 3 element groups of tourism based on the Slide 11 . Show Slide	- Flipchart, A1
12.	paper, markers;
- Attractions: things to see and to do in the destination which motivate	adhesive tape,
tourists to come	blue tack.
- Public services: infrastructures and things normally provided by the	- Flash cards of
Government which help to deliver good tourist services	name of each
- Industry services: things normally provided by tourism businesses,	element of
serving tourists in the destination	tourism industry

 Activity 2. Tourism elements: ask learners to work in 3 groups. Give each group at least 6 cards. On each card is name of an element of tourism industry 	(at least 18 cards in 3 groups)
• Ask group to discuss in 5 minutes and identify which group of elements their "tourism element" belong to.	
Draw a triangle on flip chart of black/white board.	
One by one representatives of each group stick their card to suitable angle of the drawn triangle.	

Topic 1: The tourism system (1.5 hours)	Slide 13 – 14
The Tourism Cycle	20 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show picture of Vietnam map and some different supplier icons on it on the Slide 13.	- Flipchart, A1 paper, markers; adhesive tape,
Activity 3. Actors in the tourism cycle: Participants shown flash cards with images of the key actors (travel intermediaries and service suppliers) in the tourism cycle (e.g. tour operators, transport providers, accommodation etc) Ask to place in the right sequence in the guest's travelling route from their home country to the destination (village).	blue tack Flash cards of travel intermediaries and suppliers.
Evaluate the result of the game and correct it if anything wrong.	
 Further explain role of each travel intermediaries in the tourism cycle: Transport providers: bring tourists to the destination/ village and take them around Accommodation providers: provide a place to stay overnight in the destination/ village. Those people usually play a role of coordinator of provision of tourist services in villages. Local guides: People, who take tourists around the destination, show them interesting attractions and give interpretation. Travel agencies: people who assemble all tourist services in a package tour which makes tourists convenient and cost saving when planning and undertaking travel to the destination/ village. 	
Discussion: - What do these icons represent to? - What is main purpose of these businesses? - What is the role of each business in the chain? - How do tourists use these services?	

Link learner's answer to contents of slide 13 .	
Introduce English words.	
- Hotel	
- Restaurant	
- Bus	
- Flight	
- Train	
- Tour guide	

Topic 1: The tourism system (1.5 hours)	Slide 15
Key actors in a tourism cycle	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Explain what does it means by "key actors" – ones who provide most essential/ basic/ indispensable travel services.	Flipchart, A1 paper, markers; adhesive tape,
 Ask learners: Who are key actors in the tourism cycle? Transport: tourist must use at least one (more than one generally) type of transport to get to/ from and travel around the destination. Attractions: cultural, natural or recreational attractions are the main reason for paying the visit to the destination. When the destination does not have a significant attraction for visitors, they would not come. Accommodation: when tourists come to a destination, they must find a place to stay overnight. Generally accommodation facilities have to provide comfortable and safe lodging service. Food & Beverage: people have to eat and drink. This is particular true when they are taking vacation and looking for delicious and authentic local foods. Other key actors? Ask delegates to provide other key actors that involve in tourism cycle? 	blue tack.

Topic 2: Who are tourists (1 hours)	Slide 17
Who are tourists?	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorm: ask the learners: Who are the tourists?	Flipchart, A1
List the answers from learners and summarize.	paper, markers;
Introduce a definition of tourists and refer to the slide 17 :	adhesive tape,
	blue tack.
Tourist means "a person who travels for either tourism or for other purposes	
combined with tourism, except for those who go to study, work or practice	
their professions to get paid at the places of destination" (Vietnam Tourism	
Law, 2005).	

Topic 2: Who are tourists (1 hours)	Slide 18 – 19
Identify Tourists	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Activity 4: Identify Tourists: Ask trainees to share their real experiences. Others decide if these people are tourists. Link their answer to the Slide 19: - Leisure related purposes: holiday or visiting friends and relatives - Business related purposes: general businesses or MICE (Meeting, Incentive Travel, Conference and Exhibition)	Flipchart, A1 paper, markers; adhesive tape, blue tack

Topic 2: Who are tourists (1 hours)	Slide 20
Where do tourists come from?	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Ask learners:	Flipchart, A1
Where do tourists come from?	paper, markers;
When do tourists travel to their village?	adhesive tape,
	blue tack
Explain the term "domestic tourist", "international tourist" and source	
markets to Vietnam based on the world map and factsheet of Vietnam	Factsheet of
tourism statistics:	international
	tourists by
→ <i>Domestic tourists:</i> Vietnamese people traveling within the country.	nationalities
→ International tourists: foreigners and overseas Vietnamese, except	
those who are working in Vietnam, traveling within Vietnam.	A world map with
	flag of each
	country

Topic 2: Who are tourists (1 hours)	Slide 21 – 23
What do tourists need?	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Activity 5. Brainstorming: Tourist needs	Flipchart, A1
	paper, markers;
Ask learners: What do a tourist(s) need for his/her/their trip?	adhesive tape,
Trainer list down answers on flipchart.	blue tack
Launch whole class discussion and link to illustration on slide 22, 23: O A place to stay O Transport O Food and drink	
o Things to see and do	
 Access to facilities: bank, electricity, ect 	
 Communication: Internet, post to send postcards, ect 	
 Safety and security: to feel that they are not in any danger, ect 	

Topic 3: Why tourists visit Vietnam? (1.5 hour)	Slide 24
Why do tourists come to Vietnam?	20 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Video show: show a short video clip about a tourism destination in	Video clip about a
Vietnam.	tourism
	destination
Brainstorm: Ask learners: Why tourists come to Vietnam?	Speakers, power
	Flipchart, A1
Write their answer on the white board and further explain.	paper, markers;
	adhesive tape,
	blue tack

Topic 3: Why tourists visit Vietnam? (1.5 hour)	Slide 25 – 26
How do tourists learn about tourism in Vietnam	20 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Activity 6. Learning about Viet Nam:	A1 size paper.
• Ask learners to work in 3 groups to create posters that illustrate how	Flipchart, A1
tourists learn about Vietnam tourism.	paper, markers; adhesive tape,
• Ask learners to choose which method is suitable and has a better impact?	blue tack
Ask them to give reasons.	1 page story from
	internet about a
• Link answers to the Slide 26 :	real tourist who
o Internet: the most popular, fastest and cheapest way to search	looked for
information about a destination. Two most popular channels	information about
include websites and online travel forums such as Trip Advisor	Vietnam/ local
where past visitors will tell others what they experienced and	destination.
thought about the destination.	
o Travel agents: there are various travel agents (usually located in	
the town centres or along busy streets) where tourists come to	
find out practical information about the visiting destinations.	
They could often make booking of travel services through the	
agents.	
o Word of mouth: the past tourists will pass on advice and information about a destination with other future visitors in	
various ways: face to face, post in online travel forums like Trip	
Advisor. They could also like, vote or rate the travel experiences	
they had with the destination which could eventually persuade or	
discourage the others to come.	
 Newspapers and books: Some famous travel guide books like 	
Lonely Planet provide reliable travel information to visitors. A	
single business or destination could have better business if they	
are mentioned/ written positively in the publications.	
o TV, radio and others: commercial TV and airing like CNN	
Travel, National Geographic could provide exhilarating	
knowledge and information about a destination through audio –	
visual communication postages/ clips. Remarkably there are	
-125 communication postages, onps. Remarkably there are	

growing number of promotional video clips made by tourists or unprofessional producers who like travel and film-making. These real-life broadcasts are often published in free channels such as You Tube and able to reach hundreds of millions of audiences.

Story telling: tell a real story on Internet of a tourist looking for information about Vietnam before their trip.

Topic 3: Why tourists visit Vietnam? (1.5 hour)	Slide 27
How do tourists get to Vietnam and to our village?	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorm: ask the learners:	Flipchart, A1
How do they get to Vietnam and to their village?	paper, markers;
	adhesive tape,
List the answers from learners and summarize.	blue tack
	Pictures of
Show pictures of different transportation service suppliers and explain how	different
they work with tourists:	transportation
- Airplane/ cruise ship: travel from/ to a destination in a long distance (hundreds to thousands of km)	service suppliers.
- Coaches/ trains: inter-province travel (tens to hundreds of km).	
Coach is also used as local transportation	
- Taxi/ Motorbike/ Cycle: local travel within a destination	

Topic 3: Why tourists visit Vietnam? (1.5 hour)	Slide 28 – 38
What do tourists like to do in Vietnam?	40 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorm: ask the learners:	Large Vietnam
- Why do tourists travel to Vietnam and their village?	tourist map.
	Brochures about
List the answers from learners and summarize.	some famous
	tourist
Link their answers to Slide 28:	destinations (at
- Authentic, exciting, natural and cultural experiences.	least 3
- Explore and discover beautiful landscape	destinations).
- Practice outdoor and adventure sports	Flipchart, A1
- Admire and experience Vietnam's diverse culture	paper, markers;
- Interact with the country's people and learn about different lifestyles.	adhesive tape,
- Experience flora and fauna in its national parks	blue tack
- Pilgrimage.	
Show Slide 29: Activity 7. Research and presentation about different	
tourist destinations in Vietnam:	
- Put up a large map of Vietnam.	

- Divide delegates into 3 groups.
- Set up a tourist group (8 12 members)
- Tourism areas/destinations can be allocated by each team drawing the name of a destination written on folded pieces of paper.
- Each group must use the paper resources (brochures, guidebooks, etc.) provided in the class to research an allocated tourist area, and in 3 minutes:
- Delegates could draw posters if there is time.
- Present a persuasive sales pitch on why a tourist should visit that area (highlighting the historical, natural and cultural attractions in the area.)
- The tourists must vote where they would most like to visit in Vietnam, based on the sales pitches. They only have one vote.

Explain the tourist activities shown on slides 30 - 38:

- O Get to know local people: most of tourists like to talk with local people and get to know each other
- Trekking: Tourist like walking around the village to enjoy village life and trek to hill or mountains, especially young and middle age tourists (20-55 year old)
- o Boating on beautiful rivers: All tourist like boating as this activity is interesting and relaxing.
- Enjoy local cuisine: Tourist like eating local food and drink, but need pay attention to suit their eating habits (such as less bone, not so spicy, no monosodium glutamate...) and ensure food safety.
- O Sightseeing: Generally, tourists like going around to visit cultural and natural attractions and get to know the destination.
- Buying local handcrafts: Tourists like to observe handicraft processing and buy fine art products for personal use or for souvenir, gifts...
- O Cycling: Young and middle age tourists like cycling to tourism attractions and to country side
- Taking photos: All tourist like taking photos of landscape, people and place they visit
- Visiting temples: Visit temples make tourist understand more about traditional culture and religion.
- Attending festivals: Provide opportunity for tourists to learn local culture and exchange
- O Visit caves & waterfalls: This can be a part of natural tour
- Learning about local agriculture: Help tourists to understand agricultural
- Seeing birds & wildlife: This can be a part of nature based tour or eco tour in the national park or a natural setting
- Visit to main attractions, heritage sites and natural attractions:
 These are key activities of tourists to explore the culture and nature of the place where they visit

 Going to events: Some tourists go to the destination for workshop/conference purpose, but also combine with sightseeing and other tourism activities.

Topic 4: What is tour guiding? (1.5 hour)		Slide 40 – 41
Tour Escort vs. Local Guide		20 minutes
Teaching	Methods	Resources
Activity 8. Tour escort vs. local guid	e:	Travel gears such
• Trainer plays role as a Tour Escon	t who comes to the village with some	as backpack,
tourists (checking homestay, accor-	mmodate guests, preparing meals with	walking shoes and
the house owner, etc.)		stick, etc.
• Then Trainer plays role as a Loc	al Guide who lead a tour group to a	Flipchart, A1
nature/culture tour (leading the tou	r, providing interpretation, etc.).	paper, markers;
• Ask learners to work in 5 groups	. Ask each group to write on A1 size	adhesive tape,
paper what are differences between	n these 2 types of Tour Guide.	blue tack
• Link answers to the Slide 41 :	• •	
Tour escort	Local guide	
 Bring tourists to the village 	Receive tourists in the village	
• Translate English (if	 Translate local languages 	
necessary)	Share local knowledge about	
 Give general information 	villages, culture and nature	
 Manage the itinerary 	 Show major sites to tourists 	
 Make sure that guests are satisfied 	• Help tour escort manage guests	
 Take care of expenses 	• Help tour escort with	
• Take care of injuries/illnesses	injuries/illnesses	
 Coordinate activities 	Help the provincial guide	
 Market tours 	with activities in the village	
	or forest.	

Topic 4: What is tour guiding? (1.5 hour)	Slide 42
Types of Guides	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Picture presentation : show picture of different Tour Guides on slide 42 .	Pics on slide.
Brainstorm what type of Tour Guide they are.	Flipchart, A1
Ask trainees the difference of these types in general.	paper, markers; adhesive tape,
Trainer present PPT slides to provide information on types of guides and their roles:	blue tack
 On-site Guide: people giving interpretation in a specific attraction Local Guide: people who work with the group in a specific destination 	

- 3. Regional Guide: people who escort the group in a specific region
- 4. *National Guide:* people who guide the group throughout the country
- 5. *Specialized Guide (culture/ history/ nature):* people giving interpretation based specific area of knowledge/ expertise
- 6. Tour Escort / Tour Manager / Tour Operator: people who conduct the tour on behalf of a travel agency but do not give interpretation

Topic 4: What is tour guiding? (1.5 hour)	Slide 43 – 44
General roles of tour guides	30 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Activity 9. Roles of different types of tour guide:	Flipchart, A1
	paper, markers;
Ask learners work in 5 groups of 4-5. Discuss on roles of each of type of	adhesive tape,
Tour Guide:	blue tack
• Group 1: On-site Guide (providing interpretation at a specific attraction)	
• Group 2: Local Guide (guiding a local tour in the destination)	
• Group 3: National Guide (guiding tours throughout the country)	
• Group 4: Specialized Guide (providing interpretation on different themes	
such as culture/ history/ nature)	
• Group 5: Tour Escort / Tour Manager / Tour Operator (group	
management and problem solving).	
Each group present results.	
g_vap process results	
Trainer conclude and explain roles, functions of different types of Tour	
Guide based on Slide 44 :	
1. Manage and supervise the itinerary	
2. Conduct the tour according to itinerary	
3. Impart local information while on the tour	
4. Provide practical information.	
Ask the learner: how to become the local tour guide?	

Topic 4: What is tour guiding? (1.5 hour)	Slide 45 – 47
Main responsibilities of local tour guide	25 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Activity 10. Main responsibilities of local tour guide	Colored blank
Card game:	cards (at least 24)
1. Learners work in 3 teams	Flipchart, A1
2. Each team is given a set of 6-8 cards	paper, markers;
3. Each team discuss and decide what the main responsibilities of a	adhesive tape,
local guide should be. Write on each card a responsibility.	blue tack
4. Teams exchange their cards. The team who receives cards choose the	

responsibilities that they agree and stick these cards on wall/board/flip chard.

- 5. Compare results with those in the **Slide 46, 47**. Ask teams to clarify any differences.
 - Lead a group and show the way
 - o Introduce tourists & tour escort (if any) to your village & family
 - o Help tourists & escort guides to understand your culture
 - Help tourists & tour escorts to see wildlife in your local area
 - Show local plants and medicinal plants that you use and anything other things in the forest
 - Show tourists your fields and show them how you plant rice and other crops
 - o Help carry heavy equipment that tourists cannot carry.
 - o Help prepare your favorite local food for tourists
 - Help tourists and make the tour safe
 - o Protect culture show tourists how to behave in your village
 - Protect wildlife & environment.

Module 2: Communicating with tourists

At the completion of this module learners will be able to:

- Know how to build good rapport with tourists
- Explain types and process of communication
- Practice effective verbal communication
- Recognise differences in communicating with Asian and Western tourists
- Understand why tourists make complaints
- Apply HEAT procedures to handle common tourists complaints

Module 2: Communicating with tourists

Module Introduction (30 minutes)

(This should be done with only the **Slide 1** of the module facing the delegates)

Module 2: Communicating with tourists	Time	Teaching Methods and Activities	Resources
1. Attention getter	15 min	 Activity 1. Chinese whispers game: Divide the group into 2 and form 2 lines. The trainer whispers a message to the first person in each line. The message is passed down the line until the last player relates the message to the entire group. Errors typically accumulate in the retellings, so the statement made by the last player differs significantly – and often amusingly – from the one uttered by the first. Ask trainees what is a learning point from the game. Share ideas in the whole group. 	Example of a message: "This morning, the scheduled activity to visit Ba Kieu Temple will be cancelled due to heavy rain. Car will come to pick you up at your hotel to go to Thang Long Water Puppet Theatre".
Establish relevance of topic S. Establish Prior Learning	5 min 10 min	 Discussion why it is important for local guide to practice good communication with tourists Discussion: invite participants to share their real experiences or problems in communicating with foreigners. Explain and show the Slide 2 of main topics covered in the module 	Flipchart, A1 size paper, markers, adhesive tape, blue tack.

Module Content (5.5 hours)

Topic 1: Building rapport (1 hour)	Slide 4
What is rapport?	5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Ask learners What is rapport?	Flipchart, A1 size
List their answers.	paper, markers,
Explain that rapport is a good relationship between a local guide and	adhesive tape,
his/her guests. Emphasize 2 ways impact of keeping rapport with tourists	blue tack.

Topic 1: Building rapport (1 hour)	Slide 5
Why is building rapport with tourists important?	5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
 Brainstorming: Ask learners to explain why building rapport with tourists important List their answers on board or flip chart. Refer to content of slide 5. Give your examples or ask learners to add examples to illustrate ideas: Create friendly environment: using warm smiles, keeping eye contact or shaking hand firmly are good examples of good rapport building techniques. Foster cultural experience: show tourists real, authentic cultural features of your destination. Identify guest needs easier: If tourists have good impressions with local people, they will find it more comfortable to tell them what they are looking for when coming to the destination. Increase opportunities for exchange: It is very nice to encourage tourists to tell local people their interesting cultures and compare cross-cultural differences. Ease the complaints handling process: If people are happy, they are easy to forget and forgive mistakes and problems happening during the trip. 	Flipchart, A1 size paper, markers, adhesive tape, blue tack.

Topic 1: Building rapport (1 hour)	Slide 6
How to build rapport with tourists?	5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorming:	Flipchart, A1 size
How to build rapport with tourists?	paper, markers,
• List their answers on board or flip chart.	adhesive tape, blue tack.
Refer to content of slide 6:	
 Be friendly: using warm smiles, keeping eye contact or shaking hand firmly are good examples of good rapport building techniques. Identify what guests want and need: using past experiences of the local people; making observations to try understanding tourists' needs and wants; openly talk and ask tourists if local people could help them. Share stories and interesting information: open to talk to tourists and give them interesting stories of the destination, especially those related to their traditional cultures or natural environment. 	
 4. <i>Inform of services:</i> tell tourists your available services in the destination such as lodging, tour escort or traditional foods and drinks. 5. <i>Always smile and offer assistance</i>: this show friendliness and 	
caring to guests 6. <i>Resolve complaints quickly and in full:</i> never ignore inquiries	

from tourists. Be patient to listen to tourists when they make	
complaints, try to understand the root of the problem and deal	
with them completely.	

Topic 1: Building rapport (1 hour)	Slide 7 – 8
How to put "building rapport" into practice?	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorming:	Flipchart, A1 size
How to put "building rapport" into practice	paper, markers,
 Make notes of answers on white/black board of flip chart paper. 	adhesive tape,
• Link the answer to the Slide 7:	blue tack.
 Imparting information about yourself at initial welcome 	
 Introduction before a tour starts 	
 Take chance to talk to tourists 	
Show slide 8: Activity 2. Building rapport:	
Individual exercise: ask all trainees stand up and go around the class room,	
meet any one they like, try to do a stroke with that person (shaking hands,	
greeting, giving praise, patting shoulder etc.)	
Feedback what he/she likes and dislikes from that communication	

Topic 1: Building rapport (1 hour)		Slide 9 – 12
DOs and DON'Ts in building rapport		15 minutes
Teaching	Methods	Resources
Show slide 9: Activity 3: Dos and Do	on'ts of Building Rapport	Flashcards on Dos
Instructions to participants		and Don'ts of
• Divide into 4 groups.		Building Rapport
• Each group will get a set of flashca	ards, read each flashcard carefully	Flipchart, A1 size
Discuss the action and decide if	it is something that a Local Guide	paper, markers,
SHOULD do or SHOULD NOT do	o when building rapport with tourists	adhesive tape,
Separate the cards into these two cards.	ategories	blue tack.
Check their understanding by referring compares and summarizes ideas:		
DOs	DONTs	
• Dress well and suitably	Speak too softly or loudly	
• Smile	• Be sales-like	
• Make eye contact	Appear to beg	
• Sincere greeting & handshake	• Ignore tourists	
• Use the person's name	• Rude to tourist	
Speak loudly enoughRemember name and faces	• Be shy	
 Remember hame and faces Listen carefully and interpret		
tourists questions or needs		
• Self confident.		

Topic 1: Building rapport (1 hour)	Slide 13 – 14
Good topics of conversation	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Ask learner: How should we start a conversation with tourists?	Flipchart, A1 size
	paper, markers,
Show slide 13: Activity 4. Start a conversation:	adhesive tape,
• Trainer role play some ways, both good and bad, to start a conversation.	blue tack.
Ask learners if they are tourists, which way can be interesting for them.	
Link answers to the Slide 14 :	
o Show interest in a person's back ground: people are usually	
comfortable to talk about their favorite topics related to their	
educational/ life background. Make sure that you will talk about	
what people want to talk to you, not what you insist talking t	
people.	
o Impart your own story: use your own story where possible to	
teach people especially interesting features of the local	
destination.	
o Connections through geography: find similar things between	
your destination and tourist's resident environment to evoke	
interesting associations and experiences.	

Topic 2: Communicating with tourists (2 hours)	Slide 16
What is communication?	5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Ask learners	Flipchart, A1 size
o What is communication?	paper, markers,
o When does it start and complete?	adhesive tape,
• List their answers.	blue tack.
• Explain what communication means using picture on slide.	
• Emphasize the 2 ways of exchanging information:	
 Process of exchanging thoughts, messages, or information 	
 Complete once the receiver understand the sender's message. 	

Topic 2: Communicating with tourists (2 hours)	Slide 17
Communication process	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
• Show picture on slide and explain it shows a communication process.	Flipchart, A1 size
Ask learners to look at the picture to describe:	paper, markers,
• Who is involved in the process?	adhesive tape,
O How the process is going on?	blue tack.
• Further explanation: Communication can not only happen face to face	
but occur across vast distances, in time and space: by letter, radio,	
television, phone, fax, the Internet, ect.	

Topic 2: Communicating with tourists (2 hours)	Slide 18
Why communication is important?	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorm: why communication is important to:	Flipchart, A1 size
o Tourists	paper, markers,
 Local Guide 	adhesive tape,
o Others	blue tack.
Make notes of answers and link to Slide 18:	
1. Understanding each other	
2. Offer/sell services to tourists	
3. Avoids frustration	
4. Create a good environment	
5. Meet information needs of tourists.	

Topic 2: Communicating with tourists (2 hours)	Slide 19 – 20
Most common ways to communicate	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show slide 19: Activity 5: Common ways to communicate	Flipchart, A1 size
• Ask learners to work in group of 5 to design a poster of most common	paper, markers,
ways to communicate with tourists	adhesive tape,
• Organise a "Poster exhibition". Trainer gives comments and	blue tack, crayons
summarization	Prizes for winners
Award prize for the winning team	(5 prizes or 1 to
• Link answers to Slide 20 :	share)
o Speaking: verbal communication to convey your expressions to	
tourists	
 Body language: using your appearance and signs to illustrate an expression to tourists 	
 Writing: using simple and short words/ phrases to tell people 	
 Visual image: using graphs to express a communication message 	
o , issue smage. doing graphs to express a communication message	

Topic 2: Communicating with tourists (2 hours)	Slide 21
Types of communication	5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
 Show the pictures in slide 21 and the chart. Explain the classification of communication: Verbal: using simple English Non-verbal: gesture, symbols, pictures, signs For 2 main types of communication, ask learners to give examples 	Flipchart, A1 size paper, markers, adhesive tape, blue tack.

Teaching Methods	7 minutes Resources
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Ask learner what is the non-verbal communication Flip	Resources
	ipchart, A1 size
pictures on slide 22 :	nper, markers, lhesive tape, ue tack.
 No fire OK Closed/ Open attitudes Role play: Trainer role-plays a form of non-verbal communication without saying what it is. Learners guess what form it is. 	

Topic 2: Communicating with tourists (2 hours)	Slide 23
Gesture	5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
• Explain meaning of a gesture:	Pictures on PPT
 Recognised all over the world 	slides
o Portray a feeling	
 Signal a kind of message. 	
Show picture. Ask learners what of the gesture they know:	
o Finger up: OK	
 Finger down: check bill 	

Topic 2: Communicating with tourists (2 hours)	Slide 24 – 25
What does it mean?	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show slide 24: Activity 6. Meaning of gestures :	Flipchart, A1 size
• Group exercise: learners discuss in 3 groups to find meaning of each	paper, markers,
gesture which is shown on slide 24 .	adhesive tape,
• Trainer compares with the Slide 25.	blue tack.
o Angry	Pictures on PPT
o Bad	slides
○ OK	
o Cold	
o Come	
o I love you	
o Go	
o Good	
о Нарру	
o Hot	
○ You or me	
o Ill	

Topic 2: Communicating with tourists (2 hours)	Slide 26
Maps, symbols and pictures, regulating information flow	5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
• Brainstorming: ask learner what are other form of non-verbal	Pictures on PPT
communication?	slides
• List their answers on the flipchart.	
• Link to answers on the Slide 26 :	
 Maps: Sapa tourism attractions and tour routes 	
Symbols: no water	
 Pictures: ethnic minority, festival 	

Topic 2: Communicating with tourists (2 hours)	Slide 27 – 30
Which ones do you know?	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show slide 27: Activity 7. Meaning of signs:	Pictures on PPT
• Show pictures of signs on 3 slides	slides
• Allow learners 7 minutes to think of their meaning	Pics of some signs
Exchange idea	in tour guiding as
• Alternative: print slide as hand-out. Provide this hand-out to each	handout.
learner.	Flipchart, A1 size
• If possible, bring and use some real signs:	paper, markers,
 No littering 	adhesive tape,
 Close the tap after use 	blue tack.
o No photo	
o No eating	
o No smoking	
o No sound	
o Dustbin	
o Information	
o B&B	
o WC	
o Be careful animal	
o Restaurant	
o Medical service	
Homestay serviceSnack and drink	
at a second	
N. 6'	
No fireNo entrance	
 No entrance Regulations in Bu doup – Nui Ba national park 	
O Regulations in Du doup – Ivui Da national park	

Topic 2: Communicating with tourists (2 hours)	Slide 31
Verbal communication	5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorming: ask learners	Pictures on PPT
- What is the verbal communication?	slides

-	What is its important in our society?	
-	What does it convey?	
-	Link the answer to the slide 31:	
	Involves using:	
	words and language	
	Emotions and intonation	
	 How to communicate is critical 	
	 Ensure the message is understood by the recipient. 	

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minutes
Resources
ctures on PPT
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To	opic 2: Communicating with tourists (2 hours)	Slide 33 – 34
Barriers to effective communication		10 minutes
	Teaching Methods	Resources
Sh	now slide 33: Activity 8. Communication barriers:	Flipchart, A1 size
•	Work in 3 groups	paper, markers,
•	Each group lists barriers to effective communication	adhesive tape,
•	Put up posters of the barriers	blue tack.
•	Link to the slide 34 :	
	 Your style and character 	
	 Lack of preparation and bad presentation 	
	 Lack of clarity 	
	 The receiver is not ready to receive the information 	
	 Information overload 	
	 Distractions e.g. noise 	

Topic 2: Communicating with tourists (2 hours)		Slide 35 – 36
Ways to overcome barriers		10 minutes
Teaching Methods		Resources
• Prese	nt Slide 35:	Flipchart, A1 size
0	Physical: try to use face-to-face communication frequently	paper, markers,
0	Perceptual: recognise we have different values	adhesive tape,
0	Emotional: try to build trust	blue tack.
0	Cultural: recognize we have different culture	Incentive prizes
0	Language: body language, gestures	

To	ppic 3: Cross cultural communication (1 hour)	Slide 37
Co	over slide	10 minutes
	Teaching Methods	Resources
Ac	etivity 9. OK gesture:	Flipchart, A1 size
•	Trainer role play as picture shown on Topic cover slide 36 .	paper, markers,
•	Ask learners to give some explanation of the gesture.	adhesive tape,
•	Explain the meaning of the same gesture to tourists from different	blue tack.
	nationalities:	
	o Australia - Usually means "zero" rather than OK, not common.	TT 1
	o Canada - OK, alright, good. You can use it to signify approval.	Handouts:
	o <i>China</i> - The OK sign is not used.	common non
	o France - Zero, null.	verbal communication
	o Finland - military conscripts use the sign to signal that they have	
	zero days left in the military service on their last day of the	gestures and signs
	national service.	
	o Germany - Job well done or grave insult, depends on region	
	 Greece - OK (rarely used). Ireland - OK.	
	v 1 0vr	
	 Italy - OK. Japan - The general meaning is money, for young people it 	
	means OK.	
	 New Zealand - It's regarded as a cheesy way of saying OK. Not 	
	much used.	
	 Russia - Many people would understand this as OK, but they 	
	don't use this sign.	
	o Spain - OK.	
	o Sweden - OK.	
	o Turkey - Homosexual.	
	 United Kingdom - OK. 	
	 Venezuela - Homosexual. 	
	o <i>USA</i> - OK, alright, good. You can use it to signify approval.	
•	Explain it is one concern of cross culture communication.	
•	Hand in the handouts 1 – Meaning of the OK hand gesture around the	
	world.	

Topic 3: Cross cultural communication (1 hour)	Slide 38
Asian and Western	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
• Show picture on slide 37.	Flipchart, A1 size
Explain it shows communication character of people in Asia and	paper, markers,
Western.	adhesive tape,
Ask learner to explain meaning of picture:	blue tack.
 Westerner: straight forward in communication 	
 Middle Eastern: spiritual, procedural communication style 	

	o Eastern: circular, moving around, indirect, wandering, roaming	
•	Emphasize importance of interpersonal space and eye contact in	
	communicating with tourists	

Topic 3: Cross cultural communicat	Slide 39	
Discussion: DO's and DON'T of different cultures		10 minutes
Teaching	Methods	Resources
Activity 10. DO's and DON'Ts:		Flipchart, A1 size
Class debate:		paper, markers,
• Divide into 2 teams, namely DO's	and DON'Ts	adhesive tape,
Topics to prepare and present:		blue tack.
o Team 1: It is polite when to	ourists kiss each other in public?	
o Team 2: Why tourists should not kiss each other in public?		
• Each group gets 5 minutes to prepare, and 5 minutes to present their		
case.		
Explain the difference from Asian and Western view:		
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Asian	Western	
Indicate joy or love between lovers	Indicate joy, love or being part of a	
	greeting	
From one's lips to lips of another	From one's lips to lips or other	
person	body parts such as cheek, head,	
	hand of another person	
In a secret place	In a secret or public place	

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Topic 3: Cross cultural communication (1 hour)	Slide 40 – 42
If a guest does something you find offensive and	10 minutes
if you do something that the guest finds offensive	
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show slide 39: Activity 11. dealing with offensive situations:	Flipchart, A1 size
Brainstorming or sharing personal experience:	paper, markers,
 Things guests do that and you find offensive, ect. 	adhesive tape,
o Things you do that guests finds offensive, ect	blue tack.
 Trainer summarize ideas and link to contents on slide 40, 41: If a guest does something you find offensive: Brief tourists in advance about the local culture and norms If a tourist does something strange, quietly explain your view Be tolerant and do not get angry Take preventive measures for next time If you do something that the guest finds offensive Discuss the matter with the guest Explain your culture, and that you apologize Try to prevent this from happening again 	

Topic 3: Cross cultural communication (1 hour)	Slide 43
Mitigating Cross-cultural Misunderstandings	20 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Activity 12: dealing with cross-cultural incidents	Flipchart, A1 size
Problem solving:	paper, markers,
• Work in 3 groups with the allocated problem as follows:	adhesive tape,
o Group 1: situation 1	blue tack.
o Group 2: situation 4	Cards with cross-
o Group 3: situation 7	cultural incidents.
Trainer gives each group an incident card.	
• Each group present their answers. Encourage groups to role play their situation if possible.	
Other groups give comments.	

Topic 4: Handling complaints? (1.5 hour)	Slide 45
Why tourists complain?	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Ask learner: Why tourists make a complaint?	Flipchart, A1 size
Make notes of answers and link to Slide 45:	paper, markers,
o Wrong information: tourists pay you because they expect to hear	adhesive tape,
interesting and relevant information about local attractions.	blue tack.
Therefore you have to provide the expected information; they	
would make complaint otherwise.	
o Poor service: local tour guides are expected to facilitate	
conducting the tour by arranging local travel services such as	
booking homestay, taking care of tourists, etc. If they do not	
understand local suppliers in full, they may choose unreliable and	
low standard services which make tourists unhappy and	
complaint.	
o Tour unsatisfactory: there are various reasons making tourists	
unsatisfied during the tour such as unplanned change in tour	
activities and services (in a down grading manner), ignoring tourist's requests, unfriendly attitude of local people.	
 Overcharged: although tour price must be transparent and agreed 	
with tourists before the tour, tourists may be aware that they are	
overcharged when they meet other fellow travellers in the	
destination. When this situation happens, most of tourists will	
feel so bad and make lots of complaints.	
o Other reasons? Ask delegates to suggest other reasons for	
having complaints?	
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Topic 4: Handling complaints? (1.5 hour)		Slide 46
What tourists needs when they complain?		5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Res	sources
• Discussion: what do tourists need when they complain?	Flipcha	rt, A1 size
• List learners' answer and add others if necessary.		narkers,
• Link the answer to the Slide 45:	adhesiv	1
 Needs as individuals: 	blue tac	k.
■ To be heard		
 To be understood 		
 To be respected 		
 Needs relating to the complaint: 		
 To have their concern dealt 		
 To be given what they have been denied 		
■ To have action taken		

Topic 4: Handling complaints? (1.5 hour)	Slide 47
Did you know?	5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Share additional information as shown in slide to help learners see how	Flipchart, A1 size
important solving complaints in a proper way is:	paper, markers,
	adhesive tape,
1. Only 4% of dissatisfied customers complain.	blue tack.
2. 96% leave without saying a word.	
3. Of the 96% who leave, most will never return	
4. A typical dissatisfied customer will tell 8 to 10 people	
5. A satisfied complainer will tell 5 people	
6. If solved, 7 out of 10 complaining customers will do business again with you	
7. It takes 12 positive service incidents to make up for one negative incident.	

Topic 4: Handling complaints? (1.5 hour)	Slide 48
Handle complaints with HEAT	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
• Ask learner: How should we handle a complaint?	Flipchart, A1 size
Make notes of answers	paper, markers,
• Introduce HEAT procedure: what and how to do.	adhesive tape,
• Further explanation about standards we should follow in handling	blue tack.
complains:	
o Hear the customer out: You need to hear carefully to get the	
whole picture of the situation, not just isolated bits and pieces.	
Make sure you understand the root causing complaints, perhaps	
by linking together pieces of information from the story the	
tourists are telling you. With proper concentration, it becomes	
easier to understand your customer.	

- o *Empathize* "I understand how you feel": you need to show tourists that you really care for their feeling and emotion. By doing so, you will be able to validate your perceived knowledge of the problem before taking the next steps in solving problem.
- O Apologize "I'm sorry this happened": firstly you must realize that you have done something that make tourists unhappy, and thus take responsibility to correct the situation. Then you need to offer an apology for making this happened and ask for forgiveness from tourists. Whenever possible, take corrective actions because actions, as it said, speak louder than words.
- Troubleshoot "Let's see what we can do to fix the problem.": identification or diagnosis of "trouble" you have with tourists caused by a failure of some kind. If you can help tourists solve the problem in full, just do it right away. If you could not deal with the entre problem, you may need to transform it into other problem for which solution exist or break down a large, complex problem into smaller, solvable problems.

Topic 4: Handling complaints? (1.5 hour)	Slide 49
Express Empathy to Customers	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Ask learners: How can we express empathy to tourists.	Flipchart, A1 size
• Explain that when making complaint, tourists may get angry or upset.	paper, markers,
Our attitude and empathy to their problem is a key in handling	adhesive tape,
complaints:	blue tack.
o I can see why you feel that way	
o I see what you mean	
 That must be very upsetting. 	
 I understand how frustrating this must be. 	
o I'm sorry about this.	

Topic 4: Handling complaints? (1.5 hour)	Slide 50
Solving problems	45 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Activity 13. Handling complaint using HEAT procedure:	Flipchart, A1 size
 Work in 4 groups Each group is given a scenario on flashcard Each group prepare to role play one scenario of handling complaints Other groups take notes and give feedback basing on HEAT procedure. Trainer summarizes and provides feedback on learning points from group performance. 	paper, markers, adhesive tape, blue tack.

Module 3: Tour guiding process and skills

- Know how to develop an engaging tour plan.
- Understand personal hygiene and keep hygiene before work.
- Describe what items and documents need to prepare before tour.
- Introduce themselves when meeting tourists for the first time.
- Manage the group when conducting tour.
- Make presentation to tourists.

Module 3: Tour guiding process and skills

Module Introduction (30 minutes)

(This should be done with only the **Slide 1** of the module facing the delegates)

Module3: Tour guiding process and skills	Time	Teaching Methods and Activities	Resources
1. Attention getter	10 min	• Role play: Trainer arrives dressed as a local guide, greeting and introduce to all learners. Ask each learner where are they from and what do they hope to receive when choosing visit your destination. Thanks all and tell them let's start the trip with you.	Tour guide gears such as backpack, travel documents, camera, hat, sunglasses, walking shoes and flag, etc.
2. Establish relevance of topic	5 min	Discussion why it is important for local guide to understand types tourist attractions and services, how to stand in front of groups, how to make an interesting presentation. Explain the important role of local guide in serving tourists and thus contributing to the tourism industry in Vietnam.	-
3. Establish Prior Learning	15 min	Discussion: Invite learners to share their prior experiences of working at local guide and their guiding skills needs to conducts a trip.	Flipchart, A1 size paper, markers, adhesive tape, blue tack.

Module Content (11 hours & 30 minutes)

Topic 1: Identify tourism attractions and services available in your destination (60 min.)	Slide 4 – 7
Local tourism attractions	20 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show slide 4: Activity 1. Identify local tourism attraction:	Flipchart, A1 size

•	Ask the learners:		adhesive tape,
	• What tourist attractions available in the local tourism destination?		blue tack.
•	List the answers from learners and su	ımmarize. Provide further	
	information on types of attractions ba	ased on the Slide 5 & 6:	
	Natural attractions	Historical and cultural	
		attractions	
	Landscapes	Houses	
	Mountains	Museums	
	Forests	Temples and pagodas	
	Lakes and rivers	Parks	
	Beaches and sea	Music and performance	
	 Special flora species 	❖ Foods	
	Special fauna species.	Clothes	
		Festivals	
		Local markets.	
•	Tell them which key attractions touri	sts are interested in their	
	destinations/regions (see examples in	the Slide 7):	
	 Ma pi leng pass (Ha Giang) 		
	 Cham island (Hoi An) 		
	 Japanese bridge (Hoi An) 		
	 Bac Ha market (Lao Cai) 		
	Others???		

Topic 1: Identify tourism attractions and services available in your	Slide 8
destination (60 min.)	
Local Government services	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorm: ask the learners:	PPT
What public services provided by Government in order to support	Flipchart, A1 size
tourism development in the local tourism destination?	paper, markers,
	adhesive tape,
List the answers from learners and summarize. Provide further information	blue tack.
of key tourism related Government services by showing texts on the Slide 8 :	
o Transport (Road, Train, Airport, Habour)	
o Energy (Electricity, Water supply, Fuel,)	
 Communication (Telephone, mobiphone, internet) 	
o Banks/ ATM	
 Health care (Hospital, clinic) 	
o Police	
 Embassy offices. 	

Topic 1: Identify tourism attractions and services available in your destination (60 min.)	Slide 9
Key tourism services	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Tell the learners:	PPT
List the key tourism services in their destination	Flipchart, A1 size paper, markers,
Summarize their answer. Provide further information of key tourism service	adhesive tape,
that are the basic needs of tourist (text appear on slide 9):	blue tack.
o Hotels	
o Restaurants	
 Entertainment facilities 	
 Tour and travel facilities 	
 Shopping facilities 	
 Fitness and spa facilities 	

Topic 1: Identify tourism attractions and services available in your destination (60 min.)	Slide 10
Reading tourism map	20 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Activity 2: interpret key tourist map symbols	Map symbol
Hand out flashcards with map symbols to participants.	flashcards
• Each participant who has a card must show and describe it to the group and suggest what it is.	
Trainer to guide and correct where needed.	PPT; local tourist map with local
Practical session: Provide all learners with the same copy of local tourist map.	tour routes, attractions and services;
Explain how to read a tourist map base on key points on slide 11: O Direction: S, N, E, W; NW; NE; SE; SW	Marker, pen.
Scale	Handout: Local
o Symbols	tourist map
Distance	
 Tourism elements 	
o Itinerary	
 Travelling time 	
 Attractions 	
 Services and activities 	
 Stop over points 	
Teach some English terms: north, south, east, west, mountain, river, temple, valley, water fall, kilometer, near, far, long, short	
Activity 3: Map work Work in pair (7 minutes):	

Identify key places tourists will want to do (e.g. attractions such as museums, temples, parks, etc.)	
Identify places suitable for tourists to eat and sleep.	
• Locate tourism services such as banks/ATMs, post offices, embassies	
• Estimate the time to travel between two points the facilitator stipulates.	
Helping all pairs by facilitating process	
Make short comment on the resulted itinerary.	

Topic 2: Develop an engaging tour plan (90 min.)	Slide 14
Identify local tourism products	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
 Explain: What are tourism services and tourism products and how do it relate to an engaging tour based on Slide 14: Tourist service means the provision of services in travel, transportation, accommodation, meals and drinks, entertainment, information, guidance and other services to satisfy the needs of tourists. Tourist product means a combination of necessary services provided in order to meet the needs of tourists during a trip. Attractions Activities Accommodation services Restaurants Package tour and travel services. 	PPT

Topic 2: Develop an engaging tour plan (90 min.)	Slide 15
Tour planning principle: Adding activities	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorming : Which interesting activities in your destination should be	PPT
added in tour plan such as: Shopping, local performance or local market.	Flipchart, A1 size
Tell them in case adding activities to tour itinerary, we should concern about: activities time, weather affected, tourist cultural conflict etc.	paper, markers, adhesive tape, blue tack.
Teach some English terms:Tour, programme, view, craft, stop, eat, drink, washrooms	

Topic 2: Develop an engaging tour plan (90 min.)	Slide 16 – 17
Tour planning principle: Finding stops	30 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Ask learners what happen if you visit for about 3 hours (only visit and listen	PPT, incentive
to tour guide' presentation) with any stop?	prize

 Show slide 16: Explain why do we need finding stop(s) in any tour programme Basic needs of tourist: rest, drink and toilet Other demand: Viewing, curiousness 	Flipchart, A1 size paper, markers, adhesive tape, blue tack.
Note that one experience guide know exactly where is the best places for stopping in each itinerary	
Show slide 17: Activity 4: Develop an engaging tour	
Work in group of 4-5 people: write up or map an existing tour. Add at least four additional options or stops to their tour to enrich the tourist experience. Offer a reward for the most creative idea to stimulate innovation and to ensure that they all do not offer the same things, especially in the same area.	

Topic 2: Develop an engaging tour plan (90 min.)	Slide 18 – 19
Tour planning principle: Design itinerary	35 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show slide 18: Explain tour planning principles:	PPT
1. Timing	A sample tour
2. Distance	itinerary in the
3. What to see	local destination
4. Where to eat	Small rewards:
Present a sample tour itinerary in the local tourism destination.	Pens/ notebook
	Flipchart, A1 size
Show slide 19: Activity 5: Design tour itinerary	paper, markers,
	adhesive tape,
Work in group of five:	blue tack.
Using the local tourist map (as per the Topic 1) and design a tour itinerary	
for a day trip of one day one night:	
Select which main attractions/ sight to visit	
• How long is the good timing for an itinerary: start and finish time, lunch	
time, site visiting time, walking, trekking time, stop over time, ect.?	
• How far is the suitable distance for a trip by car, by foot relate to timing?	
Select suitable options to eat on the tour	
Present by learners and comments by trainer	

Topic 3: Preparation for work (3h)	Slide 20 – 22
Topic content	5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Emphasize good preparation will lead to success	PPT
Key content of preparation for work consist of:	
Personal hygiene and appearance	
Tour preparation	

Topic 3: Preparation for work (3h)	Slide 23 – 24
The importance of personal H&A	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show slide 23: Activity 5. dirty and clean hands:	Pics of a dirty
• Show learners a picture of a dirty hand, then another clean hand and ask	hand, a clean hand
who they would prefer to work with.	
Discuss how dirty hands would undermine their work.	PPT
Explain the important of practising personal hygiene: O Protect your health O Prevent infections O No trouble to tourists O Make confident O Look professionally	

Topic 3: Preparation for work (3h)	Slide 25
Personal hygiene: principles	25 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorming: Ask learners what the main principles of personal hygiene	PPT
are and how to practice that.	Flipchart, A1 size
	paper, markers,
Summarize and explain key principles that the guide must do	adhesive tape,
 Take a shower or bath every day 	blue tack.
 Tidy hair: Wash your hair (use shampoo) frequently, comb your 	
hair	
 Wash your hand with soap after eating, smoking and using 	
bathroom	
 Short nail/ no nail polish 	
 Brush your teeth after every meal 	
 Wash your clothes frequently 	
 Change your clothes every 1 or 2 days 	
 Keep your shoes clean and polish 	
 Using deodorant 	
Teach some English terms: Soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, shower, wash, towel, bath, deodorant, comb, nail cutter	

Topic 3: Preparation for work (3h)	Slide 26
Hand washing steps	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show slide 2: Show learners a picture of hand washing process and explain:	PPT
- Step 1: Wet your hand	Facilities: clean
- Step 2: Use liquid soap	water, soap,
- Step 3: Lather and scrub in 20 seconds	tissue/ towel,

 Step 4: Rinse in 10 seconds Step 5: Dry your hand Step 6: Turn off tap Attentions: do not forget to wash: between your fingers, under your nails, the tops of your hands Trainer demonstrate hand washing process first 	washing basin/ bow
Topic 3: Preparation for work (3h)	Slide 27 - 28
Looking professional: your clothes	40 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Discussion: How importance of guide appearance? How to wear clothes to meet professional appearance? Show slide 27: Summarize and suggest of local guide should be:	PPT Flipchart, A1 size paper, markers, adhesive tape, blue tack.
Show slide 28: Activity 6: Practice personal hygiene Learners practice hand washing and they have to explain which steps they are practicing and reason why. Also give everyone 5 minutes to prepare their appearance and ask their pier to check and help them if necessary.	

Topic 3: Preparation for work (3h)	Slide 29-30
Tour preparation: the importance	5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Storytelling about a guide who forget bring his personal documents (ID card and tour guide license) when taking a group on a tour and how trouble does he have to solve.	Pre-determined situation.
Show slide 29: Draw the importance of tour preparation: "If we fail to plan, we plan to fail!"	

Topic 3: Preparation for work (3h)	Slide 31 – 33
Tour preparation: itinerary	20 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Ask a delegate to sort cards according to logical steps in tour preparation.	PPT.
Compare with those in Slide 31 and correct it if necessary.	Cards of steps in

	tour preparation
Teach some English terms:	Same copies of
Passport, permit, ticket, tour plan, programme, itinerary, etc	example itinerary
	Flipchart, A1 size
Show slide 32: Activity 7. Tour preparation works:	paper, markers,
• Divide delegates into small groups (3); trainer provides each group an	adhesive tape,
example of an itinerary.	blue tack.
• Ask each group to interpret the itinerary and explain what they have to do to prepare for that trip itinerary.	
 Summarize and further explain associated with slide 33: Check the date and timing of the trip Finding out the best visiting route base on itinerary: the most direct, shortest, faster way to visit all main attractions in the map within a given time frame. Understanding major attractions and services and activities mentioned in 	
itinerary.	

Topic 3: Preparation for work (3h)	Slide 34
Checking attraction information	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Discussion: Does a guide need to check information of attraction that	PPT, example of
mentioned in tour itinerary? How to check it?	description of
Opening and closing time	local attractions
• Timeline of site's activities	including time
Background information	and on-site
(check in official website/ directly call/ Brochure/ Colleagues)	activities.
	Flipchart, A1 size
	paper, markers,
	adhesive tape,
	blue tack.

Topic 3: Preparation for work (3h)	Slide 35 – 37
Checking travel documents and essential items	25 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorm: what information/ documents of tourists local guide should	An example
have: e.g. list of guests with full name, nationality, passport no; and tour	folder that keeps
program. When this is needed.	key travel
	documents
Demonstration : how to keep essential documents & information for the	Flipchart, A1 size
tour in a folder.	paper, markers,
	adhesive tape,
Show slide 35: Activity 8. ID test: travel documents and items	blue tack.
Place some travel document and items that local guides need to take with	A folder
them for work on a table (about 10 -15 things). Numbered the items and	containing all key
cover them by a while cloth. Then ask all learners come to the table. They	travel documents

			listed in the next
8			column.
	have a pri	ce.	Backpack,
			camera,
	Show slid	e 36: Trainer summarize, explain and give your input:	sunglasses, flag,
	0	Tour programme	sleeping bagetc.
	0	Tickets	in a covered pack/
	0	Service confirmation vouchers	box.
	0	Directory of service suppliers	Handout: Sheet of
	0	Travel permits	ID test
	0	Group list	
	0	Welcome sign	
	0	Rooming list	
	0	ID card/ Passport	
	0	Cash	
	Show slid	e 37 on items that local guides need to bring with them for work.	
	All docun	nents and essential items are needed latest 1 day before tour.	
	tourism s company,	fy that this list can be shorter for local guide at specific community ite. For example, local guide should have letter from travel attached with itinerary and list of tourist group with their passport and essential tools for the tours such as torches, first aid kit, ect.	

Topic 4: Receiving Tourists (60 min.)	Slide 38 – 40
Importance of the "first impression"	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show slide 38: Activity 9. Brainstorming "First Impressions":	PPT;
Ask loaners: What is first impression? What is the importance of the "first	Flipchart, A1 size
impression" an how to make an attractive first impression?	paper, markers,
Trainer list down answers and discuss.	adhesive tape,
	blue tack.
Show slide 39 : Summarize, trainer's input and further explain:	
• First impression decides more than 90% of whole impression and	
opinions	
A guide should make first impression by:	
o Punctuality	
 Hygiene and neat appearance 	
 Polite and natural standing 	
 Friendly smile 	
 Eye contact to everyone 	
 Greeting warmly 	

Topic 4: Receiving Tourists (60 min.)	Slide 41
Public speaking	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Demonstration: Trainer should make a sample of short public speaking	PPT; sample
introduction.	guiding script of a
	local attraction to
Discussion: Ask learner about how should a guide when standing in front	deliver a talk in
of group and public speaking?	public about it.
	Flipchart, A1 size
Show slide 41: List the answers, explain and suggest a guide should:	paper, markers,
Speak loudly and clearly	adhesive tape,
Use intonation and inflection	blue tack.
• Smile	
Eye contact	
None-verbal communication	
Involve your audience	

Topic 4: Receiving Tourists (60 min.)	Slide 42 – 46
The first meet introduction	30 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show slide 42: Activity 10. First meet introduction:	PPT and video
• Showing VTOS clip (created by EU funded HRD in Tourism Project) –	clip about self-
tour guiding video about self- introduction of tour guide when they first	introduction and
meet their client.	pre tour departure
• Group discussion : Discuss what a local guide should talk with guests	information
when they first meet? What are essential attitudes?	(VTOS – tour
	guiding)
Summarize and trainer input by slide 43 . The key points of first meeting	Flipchart, A1 size
introduction include:	paper, markers,
 Greeting 	adhesive tape,
 Introduce yourself 	blue tack.
 Briefing itinerary 	
 Key elements of tour 	
 Regulation and safety issues 	
 Remind what to bring 	
Explain more detail base on slide 44 and 45:	
o Itinerary: where to go – show them the best visiting routes	
 Tour elements: attractions - things should not do in some 	
attractions such as pagodas or sacred sites	
o Tour elements: Activities – do not forget to enjoy interesting life	
activities of local residents	
 Tour elements: Foods – Do not drink too much local alcohol and 	
be careful with strange local foods	
 What to bring: hat, sunglasses, water, camera, etc. 	

Remind learner of their attitude f	for first meet introduction:
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- o Enthusiastic
- o Friendly
- o Humorous

Show slide 46: Activity 11: Introduction exercise:

Divided into 2 groups. Ask each group choose one or two delegates to standing in front of participants and introducing themselves and itinerary in both Vietnamese and English (with the groups tailor introduction).

Topic 5: Guiding Tourists (195 min	1.)	Slide 47 – 50
Choose position for guide and group	1	30 minutes
Teaching	Methods	Resources
Discussion: Ask learners where do the	y stand and their guest stand when	PPT;
visiting an attraction?	-	Flipchart, A1 size
		paper, markers,
Summarize and comments on the answ	wers based on Slide 47 and 48:	adhesive tape,
Where the group should stand?	Where the guide should stand?	blue tack.
o Best view to observe sights	 Not in front of the object 	
o Safety	 Stand next to object 	
 Under shade/ roof to avoid 	 Facing to group 	
direct sunlight or rain	 Group can listen to 	
 No trouble to other groups 	-	
 Not being noisy 		
 Suitable distance to the object 		
J		
Show slide 49: Activity 12. Identify a	a suitable location:	
· ·	ition of the tour guide and the group in in the training room.	

Topic 5: Guiding Tourists (195 min.)	Slide 51 – 53
Making presentation	90 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Discussion: Ask learners how do they introduce guiding information of one	PPT.
object or site/attraction base on their experience? (3 persons)	Flipchart, A1 size
	paper, markers,
Summarize and comments on the answers	adhesive tape,
	blue tack.
Show slide 51: Activity 13. Making presentation:	A6 paper and ball
• Trainer demonstrates a presentation about a local attraction.	pens (1.0 mm).
Audiences make comment.	Handout samples
	of good scripts of
Present the suggested skills when making introduction (slide 52):	local attractions

- **Balanced information**: Comparing between site to site; between part to part of presentation (start, content/ development conclusion). Try to make in good balance to make sure not so short but not too long for guest to listen.
- Guiding script/ story teller technique: prepare a small notepad (A6 size: 4.13" x 5.83") with some bullet points of the main content of the presentation (preferable less than 10 bullet points). Guide can refer to it when making presentation.
- **Emphasize unique**: There isn't any impression with a normal presentation. Try to find the most interesting point of each site/object/attractions to emphasize to tourists (architecture; culture, religion, poem, story..etc). It will keep tourists remembering longer and more attractive.
- **Involve audiences**: Guiding tourist is not talking alone. It must be the interactive activities. Get tourists attention and involvement by asking them about their prior experiences, their opinions... ect about the object/site/attraction.
- **Giving your comments**: The presentation contents will be more value if you not only introduce but also give the comments. Your comments when guiding is also tell your guiding style.

Show slide 53: Activity 14. Script interpretation:

- Participants work in pair and each prepare a guided script for one attraction.
- Invite 2 pairs to demonstrate presentation using the guiding script.

Topic 5: Guiding Tourists (195 min.)	Slide 54 – 55
Using a microphone (Note: Trainer do decide to teach or don't teach	45 minutes
this content based on needs assessment of local guides and local tourism	
site)	
Teaching Methods	Resources
Explain the importance of using a microphone which is one useful	PPT, handhold
supporting equipment for a guide:	microphone,
- Turn up the tone/ voice of the guide – especially useful when giving	headset
interpretation in an outdoor environment	microphone,
- People can recognise the guide and collaborate (i.e. giving the way,	loudspeaker
not asking ticket, easy to follow when walking, etc.)	Flipchart, A1 size
- Look more professional	paper, markers,
	adhesive tape,
Ask some learners how have they used a microphone?	blue tack.
Summarize and suggest technical using skills (slide 54).	
 Check if the microphone is on 	
o Get a good grip	
 Speak in calm and steady tone 	
 Direct the micro/ loudspeaker downward 	
 Turn microphone together with your head 	

0	Check your audibility	
0	Do not read the texts from pages	
Show slid	le 55: Activity 15. Checking microphone:	
• Trai	ner demonstrates how to use handhold/ headset microphone.	
• Ask	Ask some participants to practice checking and using microphone.	

Topic 5: Guiding Tourists (195 min.)	Slide 56 – 57
Keeping tourist together	30 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show slide 56: Activity 16. Group management:	PPT, tour guide
• Brainstorming:	flag
Ask learners following questions:	Flipchart, A1 size
 What happen if a guide can't keep his tourists together on trip? 	paper, markers,
O Why tourists sometime don't want to follow group?	adhesive tape,
O How to keep group together?	blue tack.
Summarize and further explain to learners based on Slide 57:	

Topic 6: Tour Closing (105 min.)	Slide 58-59
Tour closing steps	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorming: What steps a guide has to do for closing tour?	Flipchart; A1 paper; marker,
Show slide 58: Summarize and introduce steps as following:	adhesive tape;
- Start farewell statement	blue tack.
- Debrief the tour	
- Collect the feedbacks	
- Remind double check before leaving	
- Thank you & say goodbye tourist	
- Reporting	
- Reporting	

Topic 6: Tour Closing (105 min.)	Slide 60 – 63
Feedback	45 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show slide 60: Activity 17. Demonstration of feedback:	PPT, tour
• Trainer demonstrate a feedback questions and rating methods using	feedback form
the standard form:	Flipchart; A1
 Itinerary design 	paper; marker,
o Service	adhesive tape;
 Local guide 	blue tack.
 General comments (excellent, good, average, poor/ icons using) 	
	Handout: a simple
Remind/keep tourist informed about logistics and saying goodbye.	feedback format for the tour
Show slide 61 and explain feedback's rating method:	
o Itinerary designing: does it allow tourists to visit expected	
attractions in the best tour route?	
 Services: Service quality? Availability? Cost? 	
 Local guide: Friendly? Knowledgeable? Helpful? 	
o General comments: Satisfied? Things to improve?	
Brainstorm: How to obtain feedback subtly?	
Summarize and further input with trainer suggestions based on Slide 62:	
o Smartly start conversation (e.g. so what did you think about the	
waterfall / lunch today? etc).	
 Make group exciting 	
 Explain of feedback needs 	
 Ask tourist fill in feedback form 	
Show slide 63: Activity 18. Asking for tourist feedback:	
Work in pair	
 Practice asking tourist to give feedback. 	

Topic 6: Tour Closing (105 min.)	Slide 64
Accept tourist' tip	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Emphasize that the tips is often non-compulsive in Vietnam and the tips is so sensitive and may cause bad feedback for tour guide.	PPT
Show slide 63 and tell a guide should: O Never suggest for the tips O Accept tips graciously even small value/money O Always say thanks for tourist' tips	

Topic 6: Tour Closing (105 min.)	Slide 65
Tour reporting	30 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorm: How many things the guide must report to company after tour?	PPT. Tour report
	form.
Show slide 64: Summarize and explain following kind of reports the guide	Flipchart; A1
have to do:	paper; marker,
 Basic verbal reporting 	adhesive tape;
 Writing a technical report 	blue tack.
 Writing a customer report 	
 Giving back travel items 	
Associated costs claiming	
Demonstration of basic verbal reporting to company.	
Practice verbal reporting in pairs.	

Module 4: Safety and security

- Know how to identify common health and safety risks.
- Explain how to prevent common health risks and accidents.
- Explain sick guest's health situation to a doctor.
- Understand how to respond to an emergency
- Clean and dress a wound.

Module 4: Safety and security

Module Introduction (30 minutes)

(This should be done with only the **Slide 1** of the module facing the delegates)

	odule 4: Safety d security	Time	Teaching Methods and Activities	Resources
_	Attention getter	10 min	• Role play: Trainer arrives dressed as a tourist and fall down suddenly to ground floor. Ask learners help to stand up, aid to the seat and ask if anybody has first-aid kit for helping of dressing the wound in the leg	Backpack, hat
2.	Establish relevance of topic	05 min	 Discussion: why it is important to learn this module Introduce the map of module content using slide # 2 	-
3.	Establish Prior Learning	15 min	• Ask learners how often do their tourist have problem with food hygiene and have they ever deal with guest's accident situation?	-

Module Content (2 hours & 30 minutes)

Topic 1: Visitor health (60 min.)	Slide 4 – 6	
Common health risks	10 minutes	
Teaching Methods	Resources	
Brainstorm: Ask the learners what are the common health risks to tourist	PPT.	
when they travel in Vietnam or in your destination? What causes of these?	Flipchart; A1	
	paper; marker;	
Show slide 4: Summarize the answers, explain and input with slide	adhesive tape.	
instruction:		
 Food and water safety 		
 Malaria and dengue 		
 Stomach-ache/ Diarrhoea 		
o Allergies		
 Dehydration 		
 Sun protection 		
 Insect bites 		
Show learners some example of common health risks in Vietnam through		
some pictures in slide # 5 and #6:		
 Mosquito bite: may cause malaria and dengue 		

0	Strange local food: may cause stomach-ache/ Allergies	
0	Snake bite: When trekking in forests	
0	Sunstroke: when travelling under hot weather	
0	Dehydration: when having stomach-ache and/or when travelling under hot weather	
Teach son	me English terms:	
0	Malaria	
0	Dengue	
0	Stomach-ache	
0	Allergies	
0	Dehydration	

Topic 1: Visitor health (60 min.)	Slide 7 – 10		
Prevent common heath risks	15 minutes		
Teaching Methods	Resources		
Show slide 7: Activity 1: Discussion on common diseases	PPT.		
	Flipchart; A1		
Small group discussion: Divide into three groups and discuss how to	paper; marker;		
prevent common diseases, e.g. malaria and dengue, stomach-ache/ diarrhoea	adhesive tape.		
and allergies			
Show slide 8 – 10: Summarize and further explain how to prevent:			
Malaria and Dengue			
Always use mosquito net when sleeping			
 Use mosquito repellents when travelling to forests, mountains, 			
lakes, rivers			
Drain or cover standing water			
• Stomach-ache/ Diarrhoea:			
Don't drink tap or unsafe water			
Don't eat unhygienic foods on the streets			
Be careful when you advise tourist try local strange foods or			
drinks			
Allergies: keep tourist who are allergic away from allergy sources: Page 1.			
o Pets			
o Flora			
o Insects			
Foods e.g. nutsDrinks			
O Drinks O Dust			
O Dust			

Topic 1: Visitor health (60 min.)	Slide 11 – 12
Explain a sick guest's health situation to a doctor	25 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show slide 11: Introduce to learner how to explain a sick guest's health	PPT.
situation to a doctor as following contents:	Flipchart; A1
 Guest's medical history (if capable) 	paper; marker;
 Reason, situation that caused guest illness 	adhesive tape.
 Time since guest have been sick up to present 	Doctor's dress
 Actions or first-aid or medicine have been applied 	(blouse, hat),
 How far guest's reaction 	stethoscope.

Topic 1: Visitor health (60 min.)	Slide 13
Physical capability of guests	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Discussion: How do a guide know the physical capability of guest? What do	PPT.
it relate to tourist health?	Flipchart; A1
	paper; marker;
Show slide 12: Summarize and explain the importance of tourist physical	adhesive tape.
capability and identify it by key elements:	
o Gender	
o Ages	
o Appearance	
 Medical history 	
Be aware that tour itinerary perhaps be changed base on guest physical capability to avoid health problem in tour.	

Topic 2: Visitor safety (90 min.)	Slide 15
Identify common safety issues for tourists	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorm: Ask learner what are the common safety issues for tourist in	PPT.
Vietnam.	Flipchart; A1
	paper; marker;
Show slide 14: Summarize list of answering, explain and input:	adhesive tape.
o Traffic accidents	
 Dog and animal bites 	
 Insect stings (mosquito, flea, leech, bee, etc.) 	
o Falls	
 Theft, robbery, personal attack 	

Topic 2: Visitor safety (90 min.)	Slide 16 – 18
Prevent common accidents	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Show slide 15: Activity 2: Group discussion on preventing common	PPT.
accidents	Flipchart; A1
	paper; marker;
Discuss in groups how to prevent common accidents, e.g. traffic; falls	adhesive tape.
Show slide 16: Activity 3: Flashcard activity Hand out flashcards to the pairs of participants. They must read their flashcards and decide if it poses a health risk or not, and tell the class about it.	Flashcards
Show slide 17: Summarize the answers, explain the guide must alert tourist to any possible safety risks that they may encounter when receiving tourist: O Pets or animals O Do not collect or touch live insects Pay attention when crossing the road Wearing suitable shoes and clothes for excursions Deposit valuable items and travel documents in a safe place at the hotel Avoid go out alone at night Carry minimum cash. Teach some English terms: Theft Robbery Safety box	
Accidents	
o Falls	

Topic 2: Visitor safety (90 min.)	Slide 19 – 20
Responding to an emergency	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Brainstorming : Which situations are defined as emergency? How to	PPT.
respond to that emergency situation?	Flipchart; A1
	paper; marker;
Show slide 18: Summarize and further input of indentify emergency:	adhesive tape.
Emergency are defined as occurrences that threaten visitor safety such as:	
 Heart attack 	
 Poisoning by foods or snake bite/ insect stings 	
o Burns	
o Electric shock	
 Traumatic brain injury due to fall or beating 	
 Broken limbs 	

Show slid	Show slide 19: Tell them of principle to respond base on following steps:			
0	Determine the level of danger of the injury			
0	Secure patient and remove from injury sources			
0	Ask other people to help			
0	Call emergency number			
0	Apply basic first-aid treatment			
0	Take to doctor or hospital if necessary.			

Topic 2: Visitor safety (90 min.)	Slide 21 – 24
Clean and dress a wound	50 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
 Show slide 20: Activity 4: ID test - identify necessary items available in the first kit Place all first aid items in a table and numbered each item Provide each leaner am ID test sheet with columns on number of item, name of item and use Ask learners come to the table and identify name and use of each item Check answers. Leaner who has most answer right will get a prize Trainer shows Slide 21 on First aid item. Brainstorming: Why should a guide have to know how to clean and dress a wound? 	PPT. Flipchart; A1 paper; marker; adhesive tape. First aid kit Bow of clean water Importance contact number: Police (113), emergency (114) and local medical healthcare etc.
Summarize and further explain That is basic first-aid skill but very important because tourists wounded by accident is very common on tour and the guide have to deal with that. Show slide 22 and 23: Show 4 steps to clean and dress a wound (on slide): Getting clean water and first aid materials together Washing hands Cleaning wound Covering wound with plaster or bandage Practice: helping tourists to clean and dress a wound: arms and legs	Handout: - ID test sheet - Basic steps to clean and dress a wound - Address common safety and security issues - Emergency numbers: communal heath station, district hospital, ambulance; communal and district police stations

Module 5: Leading a cultural or historical tour

- Differentiate touchable and untouchable cultural attractions.
- Explain historical and cultural interpretation techniques.
- Understand how develop an engaging historical and cultural tour.
- Practice historical and cultural tour conducting skills.

Module 5: Leading cultural and historical tour

Module Introduction (15 minutes)

(This should be done with only the Slide 1 of the module facing the delegates)

Module 5:	Time	Teaching Methods and Activities	Resources
Leading a cultural or historical tour			
1. Attention getter	5 min	• Story telling: tell the participants a story of a good H'mong ethnic tour guide who possesses a best knowledge of local cultural attractions, particularly those related to her village and ethnic groups. She has been able to have lots of good friends who are her client and helped introduce her to many other tourists. She is now successfully the best famous ethnic minority tour guide in Sa Pa.	Well prepared story
Establish relevance of topic Sestablish Prior Learning	5 min 5 min	 Discussion why it is important for local guide to understand key cultural and historical attractions and effective methods to interpret them Discussion: invite participants to share their prior knowledge of cultural and historical attractions and 	-
		relevant guiding skills. • Explain and show the slide 2 of main topics covered in the module	

Module Content (4 hours 15 minutes)

Topic 1: Learning the culture and history of your destination	Slide 4
What is cultural heritage tour guiding?	5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Ask learners	Flip chart,
• What is heritage and what is heritage guiding?	markers, adhesive
List their answers.	tape, blue tack
Explain Cultural heritage is the legacy of physical artifacts (cultural property) and intangible attributes of a group or society that are inherited from past generations, maintained in the present and bestowed for the benefit of future generations. Cultural heritage includes tangible culture	

(such as buildings, monuments, landscapes, books, works of art, and artifacts), intangible culture (such as folklore, traditions, language, and knowledge), and natural heritage (including culturally significant landscapes, and biodiversity) (UNESCO).

Cultural tourism means a type of tourism that is based on the national cultural identity with the participation of local communities in order to preserve and bring into full play their traditional cultural values.

Herewith characteristics of a cultural or historical tours:

- 1. Interpretation, communication, interaction
- 2. Man-made or man-influenced phenomena
- 3. Understanding and appreciation
- 4. Visitors' experience and enjoyment.

Emphasize key points in the definition including: interpretation, man-made phenomenon, understanding and appreciation of sites, visitor experience and enjoyment.

Topic 1: Learning the culture and history of your destination	Slide 5 − 7
Tangible cultural attractions	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Explain briefly types of tangible cultural and historical attractions based on Slide 5, 6: - Museum: Ho chi Minh museum, Vietnam ethnology museum - Traditional houses: Ruong house, stilt house of ethnic minority groups, - Monuments - Temples and pagodas: Thien Mu Pagoda, Huong Pagoda, Hon Chen Temple - Churches/ Cathedrals: Phat Diem church, - Historical vestiges: Vinh Moc tunnel, Cu chi tunnel - Architectural works - Food - Crafts - Dress Show a short video clip about Vietnam (or a specific destination) cultural and historical tourism attractions. Show Slide 7: Activity 1: Identify tangible cultural and historical attractions in your destination Group work 1: divide the group into 4 team of 6-7 persons - Group 1, 3: list all built heritage (buildings, monuments, architectural works, etc.) available in the destination. Prepare a short description of those attractions.	Flip chart, Markers, Adhesive tape, blue tack Video clip of local cultural tourism attractions (source from marketing materials of the Dept of tourism marketing of VNAT or a destination, You tube and Internet)

- Group 2, 4: list other tangible cultural and historical tourism attractions (foods, crafts and dress, etc.) available in the destination. Prepare a short description of those attractions on a poster and put them on the whiteboard for later use in the on-site practical session.

Topic 1: Learning the culture and history of your destination	Slide 8 – 10
Intangible cultural and historical attractions	5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Explain briefly types of intangible cultural attractions based on Slide 8, 9:	Flip chart,
- Ethnicity	markers, adhesive
- Religions	tape, blue tack
- Rituals, customs and traditions	
- Arts (Music, songs and dances)	
- Ceremonies	
- Festivals	
- Lifestyles	
- Interesting economic activities/ livelihoods	
Explain briefly about intangible historical attractions based on Slide 10:	
- History of places	
- Stories, legends	
- Historical people	
- Important events	

Topic 1: Learning the culture and history of your destination	Slide 11
Intangible cultural and historical attractions	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Activity 2: Identify intangible cultural and historical attractions	Flip chart,
Group work 2:	markers, adhesive
- Divide the group into 4 team of 6-7 persons	tape, blue tack
- Group 1, 3: list all ethnic groups, religions rituals, ceremonies,	
festivals, customs, and lifestyles performance arts available in the	
destination. Prepare a short description of those attractions.	
- Group 2, 4 : list all intangible historical attractions such as stories,	
legends, historical persons, important events of the destination and	
short description about them	
- Prepare a short description of those attractions on a poster and put	
them on the whiteboard for later use in the on-site practical session.	

Topic 1: Learning the culture and history of your destination	Slide 12
Must-know information about historical and cultural attractions	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Discussion: What do tourists need to know about tangible cultural and	Flip chart,
historical attractions?	Markers,

- Location	Adhesive tape,
- Name	Blu tack
- History of formation and development	
- Person who found/ constructed the cultural attraction	
- Area	
- Scale	
- Style	
- Architectural and artistic values	
- Ranking/ certification	
- Aesthetic and usage values	
- Performance venue and techniques	
- Production raw materials and technique	
Emphasize values of the attraction.	
Give examples.	
Each group finalize their prepared descriptions of cultural attractions based on the types of must-know information.	

Topic	1: Learning the culture and history of your destination	Slide 13
Historical and cultural interpretation principles		10 minutes
	Teaching Methods	Resources
Brain	storming: What are cultural and historical interpretation principles?	Flip chart , Markers,
1.	Accessible: pay attention and approach all group members to make sure they could hear you clearly. Speak loud enough and talk to everyone in the group.	Adhesive tape, Blue tack
2.	Understandable: make content of your talk close to the audience's background. Avoid using slang language, local language or technical jargon.	
3.	Reliable information: use published/validated sources of information to develop your presentation. Do not exaggerate the story.	
4.	Provide context: tell tour participants relevant information about the destination, the village, the local community and environment in which the tourist attractions are originated.	
5.	Make it authentic: tell tourists real cultural and historical stories about your own family, village or monuments which you know best.	
6.	Make it suitable to the audience: provide information required by tourists. It is your sensitivity to observe and learn information needs of tourists.	
7.	Keep it simple and clear: make presentation short and straight to the information needs required by tourists.	
Emph		

Topic 1: Learning the culture and history of your destination	Slide 14
Tips for good on-site tour guiding	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Explain tips for good on-site tour guiding:	Flip chart,
1. Start your introduction after your clients all gathered in front of you.	markers, adhesive
This is to avoid people missing your major points. Also, it saves your	
efforts to repeat same information. You may raise your voice a bit	
higher to catch the attention of all.	
2. Slow down when you talk. Many guides speak WAY too fast.	
Take your time. Pause. Make your words count.	
3. Less is more when speaking to a group for a long period of time.	
The group will be getting tired so short but well made + clear	
commentary will be favoured.	
4. Plan what not to share with your guests. If you only have few	
minutes with your audience, you should spend more time deciding	
what you don't plan to share, than what you plan to share. This is critical because you need to be really clear on the things that don't	
belong, so that you don't lose your audience along the way.	
5. Leave room for others: you have a lot of information but until you	
quiet down and figure out who is in your audience, you won't know	
which info may be best to share. So sometimes a little preliminary	
investigation could go a long way – but that will only happen if	
you're quiet, avoid keeping on talking, non-stop, leaving no room to	
learn anything.	
6. One important part of narrating to people is to not overwhelm them	
with facts and figures. Dates are important to know, but it is not	
interesting for people to listen to lists of dates. Rather make it more	
interesting by formulating a story around it.	

Topic 1: Learning the culture and history of your destination	Slide 15
An engaging cultural and or historical tour	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Explain the diagram on preparing an engaging cultural tour in Slide 15:	Flip chart, Markers,
Route identification:	Adhesive tape,
 Starting and ending points: tours usually take place on a route with the starting and ending points where the local guide will meet the group for the first time and bid farewell for them. Main locations in the trip: along the route, there are several things to see and do as well as travel services provided by local people. These locations can include stopover places for resting or taking photo. 	Blu tack
Key cultural and historical attractions:	
- Both tangible and intangible ones	
- Determining required time for visiting each attractions: time allocated	

to each attractions depends on how interesting, how large and how far from others it is. Generally tourists give more priority to experience main attractions before going to see others.

• Main activities:

- Watching, taking photo, storytelling
- Resting and listening to interpretation and so on

• Write guiding scripts for main attractions:

- Opening: start the story by telling name of the attraction and general introduction.
- Development: provide the main information about the attractions
- Closing: underline the most important learning points and relevance.

• Group management:

- Leading the group on the way: finding and showing the way, keep movement of the group around the visiting destination
- Selecting standing/ sitting locations: it is large enough to accommodate the group and allow them to see the attraction clearly
- Time allocation and management
- Group gathering techniques: counting participants, using group's hat/sign, using flag, making appointment.
- Dealing with distractions and the unexpected

Topic 1: Learning the culture and history of your destination	Slide 16
An engaging cultural and or historical tour	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Activity 3: prepare an engaging cultural tour	Flip chart, Markers,
Group work: divide the group into 4 team of 6-7 persons Prepare an engaging cultural and historical tour in the local area on a poster and put them on the whiteboard for later use in the on-site practical session.	Adhesive tape, Blu tack

Topic 2: Practice leading a cultural and historical tour (3 h)	Slide 18
On-site practical and feedback session	85 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Take participants on a cultural and historical route and practice guiding	Group assignment
skills. Feedback on site.	sheet and task
	division
Provide feedback the next morning.	

Start on morning of Day 5. If there is still any content to cover from the previous day, do it first thing in the morning, after the debriefing from the practice session the afternoon before.

Topic 1: Learning the culture and history of your destination	Slide 17
Guest speaker	60 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Invite a cultural and historical expert to come and talk with participants about local cultural and historical attractions. Guest lecture followed by plenary discussion. Briefing to the guest speaker must include: - Purpose of talk: providing most essential knowledge about local cultural and historical tourism attractions, focusing on things close to the participants background and conveniently accessible by tourists. - Profile of trainee (including any prior knowledge of the topic), literacy, etc.: refer to the participant list - Content that should be covered: tangible and intangible local cultural and historical attractions - Resources or examples to bring along e.g. photos, brochures, rocks, etc.	Resources Hands-out of the lecture (PPT slides, lecture notes) Expert on local culture and history Participant list Examples of local cultural attractions e.g. photos, brochures, rocks, etc. Flip chart,
etc.	

Module 6: Leading a natural tour

- Explain what is natural tour guiding.
- Understand how learn about natural history and environment.
- Practice briefing a natural tour to group.
- Develop an engaging natural tour.
- Practice leading a natural tour.

Module 6: Leading natural tour

Module Introduction (15 minutes)

(This should be done with only the Slide 1 of the module facing the delegates)

Module 6: Leading a natural tour	Time	Teaching Methods and Activities	Resources
1. Attention getter	5 min	• ID test: trainer comes with a medicinal plant/ branch of tree/ flower on hand and ask if any participant know what is it and how it can be used by human. Tell participants tourists are willing to pay hundreds of USD to come and learn this knowledge on a natural tour that would eventually benefit local people and environment.	A medicinal plant/ branch of tree/ flower (at least 5 – 6 items). Trainer researches these items carefully in advance.
2. Establish relevance of topic	5 min	• Discussion why it is important for local guide to understand key natural attractions and effective methods to interpret them	-
3. Establish Prior Learning	5 min	 Discussion: invite participants to share their prior knowledge of natural attractions and relevant guiding skills. Explain and show slides of main topics covered in the module 	-

Module Content (7 hours 45 minutes)

Topic 1: Planning a nature based tour	Slide 3
What is nature tour guiding?	5 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Ask learners: Do you know	Flip chart,
O What is natural tourism? Ecotourism?	markers, adhesive
O What is natural tour guiding?	tape, blu tack
List their answers.	
Explain <i>natural tourism</i> is a type of tourism that is based on nature.	
Eco tourism is a type of natural tourism that connected with the local	
identity and with the participation of local communities for the sake of	
sustainable development.	
Natural tour guiding is:	

- Escort visitors to visit a natural attraction(s).
- Provide information, interpretation and insight about the trail that they are going and attractions along the trail.
- Educate visitors
- Protect natural resources
- Ensure tourists' safety
- Manage logistics.

Emphasize key points in the definition including: escort visitors, interpretation, facilitate understanding and appreciation of sites.

Topic 1: Planning a nature based tour (165 min.)			Slide 4 – 5	
How to learn	How to learn more about nature			
Teaching Methods			Resources	
_	are two categories of natural based a		Flip chart,	
0 1	phical aesthetic and landscapes attraction	n: Phong Nha Ke Bang	markers,	
	a Pi Leng pass, rice terrace		adhesive tape,	
	logical attraction: specific species of	flora and fauna: bird,	blue tack	
butterny	, elephant, apricot flower, old tree			
Activity andie	ences work in group to identify natural a	attractions in your		
•	age and describe them briefly.	attractions in your		
destination/vin	age and describe them offerry.			
Explain that a	udience can search following resource t	o learn about different		
-	ces of nature related knowledge:			
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What to	Learning resources in Vietnam	Global		
learn?	0	learning		
		resources		
Forests	Handbook: MARD (2006), Natural	Not relevant		
	forest ecosystems of Vietnam,			
	Hanoi, available at:			
	http://www.vietnamforestry.org.vn/li			
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Animals	Nguyen Xuan Dang (chief editor,	Wildlife	
	2009), A practical guide for quick	field guide	
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	protected by Vietnamese laws and	eNature.co	
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Birds	Birdlife International Vietnam	Programme	
	(http://www.birdlifeindochina.org/		
	"Chim Viet Nam" (2000), Book 2	2: Expedition	
	Field Guide Techniques, available f	rom BirdLife	
	International Vietnam Programme.		
Butterflies	Vietnam forest biological portal:	Butterlies	
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		enature.com	
		/fieldguides	
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Oceans	Textbook: Typical marine	Interactive	
	ecosystems, HCMC agro-forestry	diagram to	
	university, available at:	learn about	
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Topic 1: Planning a nature based tour (165 min.)	Slide 6
Natural history	10 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Ask learners	Flip chart,
 What were the local natural environment like in the past, 	markers, adhesive
including mountains, forests, natural features and special flora	tape, blue tack
and fauna species? Why did they disappear?	Brochures/ books
List their answers.	about local natural
Trainer help tell them the natural history of the destination based on	history
relevant historical brochures or books where needed.	

Topic 1: Planning a nature based tour (165 min.)	Slide 7
Information sharing technique	20 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Explain on how to use five senses in give interpretation on natural	Flip chart,
attractions and environment. Provide an example for each sense.	markers, adhesive
- Taste: taste herbs, flora species to recognise it (with instruction and	tape, blue tack
strict supervision)	
- Hearing: listen to the guide or the sound of nature	
- Sight: see natural attractions by eyes	
- Smell: smell foods or natural environment	
- Touch: touch natural objects to guess what is it (with instruction and	
strict supervision)	

Topic 1: Planning a nature based tour (165 min.)	Slide 8
Brief tourists	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Activity 1. Demonstration on briefing tourists	PPT
Trainer demonstrate a briefing of a short local natural tour to a group of	
tourists (role play) on:	
1. What to bring	
2. Difficulty level of the trails	
3. Fitness	
4. Safety instructions	
5. Main places of interest along the trails	
6. Travelling time and key deadlines	
7. Contact details of the escort and relevant people	
Invite $1-2$ participants to practice briefing. Trainer gives comment.	

Topic 1: Planning a nature based tour (165 min.)	Slide 9 – 10
Supplies to carry with you	15 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Activity 2 – ID test on supplies	Sample items
 Put sample travel items in a covered box and ask participants to 	(first-aids, torch,
touch and take them out.	water bottle, cigar
 Tell what the item is and how it is used for. 	lighter, rob,
	knifes, etc.).
Trainer explain how to use that item when travelling in natural	A container/ box
environment:	covered by a
- First aid kit: dealing with emergencies. Learned in the Module 4.	scarf/textile.
- Torch: find ways or object in the dark (evening or night time, in caves, etc.)	
- Water bottle: keep drinking water during the tour, especially hot water.	

Topic 1: Planning a nature based tour	Slide 11 – 26
Characteristics of natural attractions and environment in the local area	60 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
Guest speaker: invite a specialist with background in biology to deliver an engaging and interesting talk on the local natural attractions and environment.	Hands-out of the presentation.

Topic 1: Planning a nature based tour	Slide 27 – 28
An engaging natural tour	30 minutes
Teaching Methods	Resources
 Trainer explain briefly preparation of an engaging natural tour based on Slide 27: Route identification: Starting and ending points: tours usually take place on a route with the starting and ending points where the local guide will meet the group for the first time and bid farewell for them. Main locations in the trip: along the route, there are several things to see and do as well as travel services provided by local people. These locations can include stopover places for resting or taking photo. Key natural attractions: Both accessible and inaccessible ones Determining required time for visiting each attractions: time allocated 	Flip chart, markers, adhesive tape, blue tack
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- Dealing with distractions and the unexpected

Activity 3. Prepare an engaging natural tour: Group work:

- Divide the group into 4 team of 6-7 persons
- Prepare an engaging natural tour in the local area (same with 4 group).
- Groups make presentation and comparison.

Topic 2: Practice leading a natural tour (3 h)	Sl	ide 29
Conduct a practical natural tour	4h45	
Teaching Methods		Resources
The group goes on a nature-based tour of the local area, with each	•	Hand out of
participant having an opportunity to be the tour guide and speak about a		basic
natural heritage using the skills they have learned about guiding.		interpretive
		information of
The other participants play the role of tourists and must behave like typical		natural
tourists (e.g. asking questions). At the end peer feedback is provided to		tourism
assess the success points of the tour and where improvements could be		attractions the
made.		destination.
	•	Guide books,
		site guide
		books,
		information
		and maps of
		local natural
		attractions.