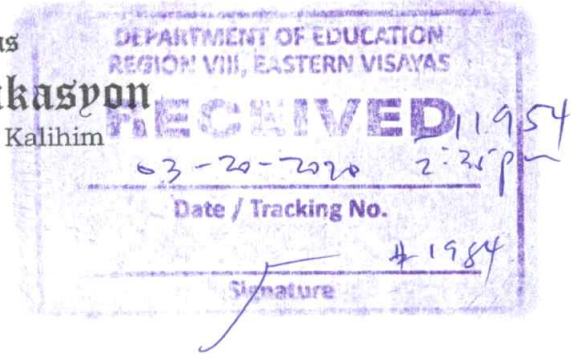




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For: **Execom and Mancom
ARDs, SDSes, ASDSes
Regional, Division and School IT Officers
Principals, School Heads and Teachers
All Other Concerned**

Subject: **INTRODUCING DEPED COMMONS**

Secretary Leonor Magtolis Briones always says, “**Education Must Continue** even in times of crisis, whether it may be a calamity, disaster, emergency, quarantine or even war.”

In line with this and in accordance with DepEd Memorandum 42, s. 2020 Item 7, the Office of the Undersecretary for Administration (OUA) and the Information and Communications Technology Service (ICTS) designed, created and now introduces the **DepEd Commons -- an online platform for public school teachers to support distance learning modalities** -- which can be accessed at <https://commons.deped.gov.ph>.

With the recent developments on COVID-19 and how it affects the nature of common engagement in the country, **DepEd Commons** was designed as a direct solution to give access to online review materials and Open Educational Resources (OERs) during class suspensions and similar circumstances. These supplementary online instructional materials will be used as an alternative form in the teaching-learning process different from the usual face-to-face encounter.

OERs in DepEd Commons are authored by public school teachers who are subject experts, properly cited and acknowledged. Teachers can *retain, reuse, revise, remix* and *redistribute* the content by blending it with a learning management system to deliver a distance learning modality.

Materials in DepEd Commons are a response to the United Nations Declaration of 2012 in Paris to support and give access in harvesting instructional supplementary materials.

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The **Guidelines on the use of DepEd Commons** is indicated in the attachment (*See Annex A*) to further assist public school teachers and administrators in deploying a distance learning modalities with one common structure and framework.

During this time of quarantine when work from home is the only option and even in areas where regular work is still the norm, **all teachers, IT officers, and education specialists of DepEd are highly encouraged to take a look and try DepEd Commons. Comments for its improvements are very much needed.**

For more information about DepEd Commons, please contact the Information and Communications Technology Service-Educational Technology Unit (ICTS-ETU), at email address edtech@deped.gov.ph.

Widest dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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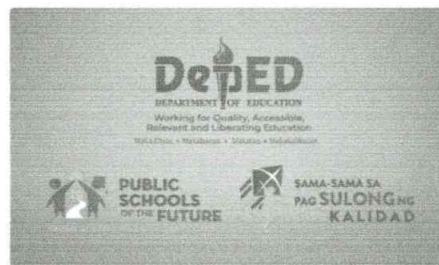
Annex A: Guidelines on the Use of the DepEd Commons

1. The **DepEd Commons is an online platform to cater the needs of public school teachers** to have an easy access on developed Open Educational Resources (OER) in the country. The said materials are readily made and can be downloaded in just a click away. Teachers can *retain, reuse, revise, remix* and *redistribute* the contents by blending it with a Learning Management System to deliver a distance learning modality.
2. The online platform is accessible by visiting **commons.deped.gov.ph**.
3. Once the site opens, **type the name of your school** to proceed and **click the Save button**.

In case that you encounter a problem such as:

- Changes in school name
- School is not in the existing list
- Name of the school is misspelled

Please contact the ICTS-ETU at email address **edtech@deped.gov.ph** .



DepEd Commons

Select your school to continue

School

Save

4. **Select the Grade Level** of preference to search for uploaded resources.

Select a grade level ▾

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Grade 1 (7)

Grade 2 (9)

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Grade 4 (9)

Grade 5 (6)

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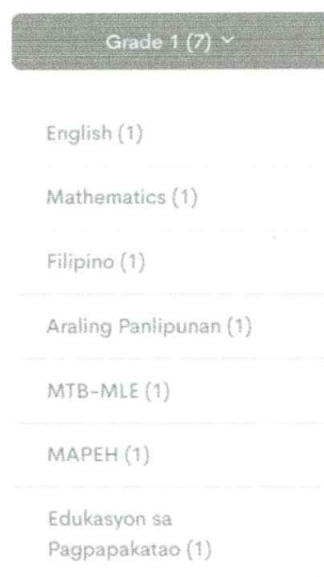
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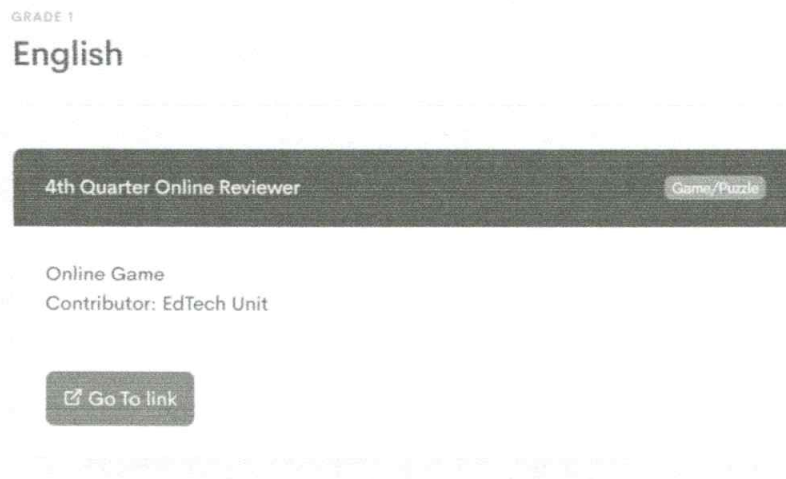
Grade 9 (2)

Grade 10 (9)

5. **Select the Subject** of preference. The number of uploaded resources are indicated inside the parenthesis.



6. **Click the Blue Button** to open or download the material.



7. Once the downloaded materials or links are chosen by the teacher to complement with their online instruction, it can be attached to Edmodo. (See *Annex B, Creating and Managing Your Own Online Alternative Learning Delivery Platform*)
8. The materials in the DepEd Commons is a response to the United Nations Declaration of 2012 in Paris to support and give access in harvesting instructional supplementary materials. If there are corrections needed or suggestions, send an email to **oer@deped.gov.ph** .
9. The use DepEd Commons and Edmodo together with other online educational delivery platform is highly encouraged especially in situations where face-to-face instruction is impossible. However, **online classes are**

given as an option for those who have access to internet and equipment such as smartphone, tablet, laptop or desktop computers.

Those who do not have access to these requirements can opt for paper-based homework and are not required to visit the internet café for health security. Teachers have the discretion to adopt appropriate modalities of instruction provided that they follow strict compliance to the guidelines, policies and reminders given by DepEd.