

Roots of Empathy Curriculum Equivalents

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- Kindergarten
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Northern Ireland		
Foundation Stage		
Primary One	Ages 4-5	Roots of Empathy Kindergarten Curriculum (Kindergarten)
Primary Two	Ages 5-6	Roots of Empathy Kindergarten Curriculum (Kindergarten)
Key Stage 1		
Primary Three	Ages 6-7	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade One)
Primary Four	Ages 7-8	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade Two)
Key Stage 2		
Primary Five	Ages 8-9	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade Three)
Primary Six	Ages 9-10	Roots of Empathy Junior Curriculum (Grade Four)
Primary Seven	Ages 10-11	Roots of Empathy Junior Curriculum (Grade Five)
Key Stage 3		
Year Eight	Year 11-12	Roots of Empathy Junior Curriculum (Grade Six)
Year Nine	Ages 12-13	Roots of Empathy Senior Curriculum (Grade Seven)
Year Ten	Ages 13-14	Roots of Empathy Senior Curriculum (Grade Eight)

Republic of Ireland		
Primary School (<i>Bunscoil</i>)		
Junior Infants (<i>Naíonáin Shóisearacha</i>)	Ages 5-6	Roots of Empathy Kindergarten Curriculum (Kindergarten)
Senior Infants (<i>Naíonáin Shinsearacha</i>)	Ages 6-7	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade One)
First Class (<i>Rang a hAon</i>)	Ages 7-8	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade Two)
Second Class (<i>Rang a Dó</i>)	Ages 8-9	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade Three)
Third Class (<i>Rang a Trí</i>)	Ages 9-10	Roots of Empathy Junior Curriculum (Grade Four)
Fourth Class (<i>Rang a Ceathar</i>)	Ages 10-11	Roots of Empathy Junior Curriculum (Grade Five)
Fifth Class (<i>Rang a Cúig</i>)	Ages 11-12	Roots of Empathy Junior Curriculum (Grade Six)
Sixth Class (<i>Rang a Sé</i>)	Ages 12-13	Roots of Empathy Senior Curriculum (Grade Seven)

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Scotland		
Primary School		
Primary One	Ages 5-6	Roots of Empathy Kindergarten Curriculum (Kindergarten)
Primary Two	Ages 6-7	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade One)
Primary Three	Ages 7-8	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade Two)
Primary Four	Ages 8-9	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade Three)
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Secondary School		
S1 (First Year)	Ages 12-13	Roots of Empathy Senior Curriculum (Grade Seven)
S2 (Second Year)	Ages 13-14	Roots of Empathy Senior Curriculum (Grade Eight)

England and Wales		
Primary School		
Reception	Ages 4-5	Roots of Empathy Kindergarten Curriculum (Kindergarten)
Year 1	Ages 5-6	Roots of Empathy Kindergarten Curriculum (Kindergarten)
Year 2	Ages 6-7	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade One)
Year 3	Ages 7-8	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade Two)
Year 4	Ages 8-9	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade Three)
Year 5	Ages 9-10	Roots of Empathy Junior Curriculum (Grade Four)
Year 6	Ages 10-11	Roots of Empathy Junior Curriculum (Grade Five)
Secondary School		
Year 7	Ages 11-12	Roots of Empathy Junior Curriculum (Grade Six)
Year 8	Ages 12-13	Roots of Empathy Senior Curriculum (Grade Seven)
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Elementary/Primary School (Basisonderwijs)

Grades	Ages	Roots of Empathy Curriculum /Grade Levels	Roots of Empathy Curriculum Levels in Dutch
Groep 3	Ages 6-7	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade One)	Middenbouw
Groep 4	Ages 7-8	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade Two)	Middenbouw
Groep 5	Ages 8-9	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade Three)	Middenbouw
Groep 6	Ages 9-10	Roots of Empathy Junior Curriculum (Grade Four)	Bovenbouw
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New Entrant	Age 5	Roots of Empathy Kindergarten Curriculum (Kindergarten)
Y1	Ages 5-6	Roots of Empathy Kindergarten Curriculum (Kindergarten)
Y2	Ages 6-7	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade One)
Y3	Ages 7-8	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade Two)
Y4	Ages 8-9	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade Three)
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Primary School (초등학교)

Grades	Ages	Roots of Empathy Curriculum /Grade Levels	Roots of Empathy Curriculum Levels in Korea
Primary One	Ages 6-7	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade One)	초등 (저학년) 커리큘럼
Primary Two	Ages 7-8	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade Two)	초등 (저학년) 커리큘럼
Primary Three	Ages 8-9	Roots of Empathy Primary Curriculum (Grade Three)	초등 (저학년) 커리큘럼
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