Lesson Plan: Build a Moodio App

Age Group: 12–16

Duration: 60 minutes

Topic: Introduction to Text Classification with Moodio

Goals

- Understand the concept of text mood / sentiment.
- Learn how computers analyze sentences and map them to moods.
- Build and explore a simple interactive web app using Python and Streamlit.
- Practice safe coding for kid-friendly content.

Topics Introduced

1. Text Classification / Sentiment Analysis

- Positive, Neutral, Negative text polarity.
- Using simple NLP library (**TextBlob**).

2. Web App Basics

- Streamlit input/output widgets.
- Displaying emoji and messages.

3. Kid-Safe Filtering

- Filtering inappropriate words.
- o Ensuring safe and age-appropriate content.

4. Logic Flow / Debugging

- $\circ \quad \mathsf{Input} \to \mathsf{Filter} \to \mathsf{Analysis} \to \mathsf{Output}.$
- Understanding program flow.

Activity Explanation

1. Introduction (5 min)

- Discuss how words express emotions.
- Show example sentences and ask students to guess the mood.

2. Demo App (10 min)

- o Enter sample sentences in Moodio.
- Show emoji and explanation.
- o Enable Teacher Mode to illustrate the logic flow.

3. Hands-On Exercise (25 min)

- Students type their own sentences.
- Predict the emoji first, then check Moodio's output.
- Discuss any surprises or misclassifications.

4. Code Walkthrough (15 min)

- Show simplified app.py logic:
 - Bad word filter → sentiment analysis → emoji output.
- Explain how TextBlob calculates polarity.

5. Wrap-Up (5 min)

- o Recap key points about **text mood detection**.
- o Discuss potential applications in chatbots, games, or learning tools.

Learning Outcomes

- Students can explain how a program detects mood in text.
- Students learn basic NLP concepts using TextBlob.
- Students understand **safe coding practices** for kid-friendly applications.
- Students can interact with and test a web app, connecting code logic to results.