

VotesforSchools: independent learning ideas



Create

- ✔ **Lights, camera, action!** Make a video educating your peers about the topic. Think about what you will say as well as how you will say it!
- ✔ **Snakes & Ladders:** Make a board game on your topic. It could include question cards that you need to answer to move forward, or challenge players to explain an idea to someone else in your family.
- ✔ **Let's get quizzical...** Make a quiz on your chosen topic. It could be true or false, multiple choice, or just questions. Challenge a friend or family member!

Share

- ✔ **Write a letter to your MP:** It is your MP's job to tell the Government how you are feeling about different topics. Write to them about your topic or an aspect of it that concerns you, explaining what is happening. You could even ask them to make a change!
- ✔ **Create an advert:** Good adverts are eye-catching and informative. Can you create an advert that would get people interested in your topic? If you need inspiration, watch some adverts on TV, YouTube or social media first.
- ✔ **In the papers:** Imagine you are at the scene of something to do with your topic (such as Howard Carter discovering Tutankhamun). Write a newspaper article explaining what happened. Use Who? What? Where? and Why? to help you.

Discover

- ✔ **An "Alien's Guide" to...** Imagine you were asked to explain this subject to an alien. Write a speech (or a guidebook with pictures) that would teach them everything they need to know about the topic.
- ✔ **Argue it out!** Write a short essay outlining the main for & against arguments for the topic question. You could improve it by doing some extra research, and by using phrases such as "On the other hand" and "However".
- ✔ **Fake news fishing:** Find as many opinions on a topic as you can. Then, find out which of them are based on facts (you'll need to find evidence from reliable sources to support you), and which are just opinions.

Discuss

- ✔ **Try to see it from my perspective...** Write a speech to convince someone of one side of the argument. You must explain all of the reasons you think you are correct, and you could even tell them why others are incorrect.
- ✔ **DIY journalism:** Interview a member of your family or someone else in your house on what they think about the topic. Write your interview questions down before you start, and make short notes on their answers. You could take this further by writing a magazine article about their opinions!
- ✔ **Take over as teacher!** Explain your topic to somebody else. Then, test their knowledge with questions. You could even design a quiz for them!



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