

LEARNZ Virtual Field Trip

An Example of a Planning Sequence

This example of a short-term lesson sequence for primary schools makes use of all field trip components for a 3-day virtual field trip.

However, the flexibility of LEARNZ means that teachers can use as many or as few of the components as they wish. Teachers who are involved for the first time may wish to choose just one or two.

Teachers, visit the [Support Section](#) of the LEARNZ website for more information on:

- [Getting started with LEARNZ](#)
- [The ambassador programme](#)
- [Taking part in web conferences](#)

This plan includes the following components of a **LEARNZ Virtual Field Trip**.

- planning using the online curriculum links
- using online and printable background information
- using online interactive self-marking plus other activities
- using daily field trip diaries with photos and inquiry questions
- using daily field trip video clips and inquiry questions
- using Twitter for live updates and information/thought sharing
- putting questions to experts during live web conference
- listening to a web conference while completing related tasks
- taking part in the LEARNZ Meeting Room during a web conference
- completing web conference summaries
- sending a class ambassador, viewing the ambassador's daily web page updates
- corresponding by email with the LEARNZ teacher and the class ambassador
- completing a field trip evaluation



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Timeline	6 weeks before field trip	4 weeks prior	2 weeks prior	Thursday	Friday	The week prior Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Suggested teacher and classroom activities	Decide to take a virtual field trip. Register with LEARNZ Log onto MyLEARNZ and enrol class(es) in selected field trip(s)	Plan the field trip to fit with class, term and year plan. Select AOs. Send field trip website link home with students so parents can follow field trip.	Plan field trip (3-4 weeks) into your daily timetable Select background readings and activities for class/group sessions. Plan to ask questions in web conferences. Plan to listen to others	Set scene with class – “Let’s go on a field trip to ... What might we see, what could we find out?” Introduce field trip location, themes, experts, action, website material. Create field trip display in the classroom.	Develop questions about the web conference topics	Read about the LEARNZ field trip teacher’s ambassador. Select class ambassador to send on trip. Write up summary of ambassador’s life plus hopes and dreams for the field trip.	Develop and find answers for questions about web conference topic Add ambassador photo to field trip display in your classroom.	Summarise the unanswered questions on the web conference topics into 10 best questions for each	Class prepares short assembly item to share with the team, school or principal about their adventures next week. Teacher checks web conference equipment, and connections. Test Zoom web conference platform - https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/115002262083-How-Do-I-Test-Prior-to-Joining-a-Meeting-	Present short assembly item. Call another school or a parent and have class practise asking questions
Teacher contact with LEARNZ team	.Join the LEARNZ group on edSpace , which is an online support area for all New Zealand educators who are interested in LEARNZ.	Receive newsletter #1	Receive newsletter #2 Send email to book in to web conferences including date, time NB: ONLY speaking schools need to book, as they ask questions live.			Sign-up class ambassador online, include details from class discussion Receive ambassador confirmation email with your ambassador’s email address for the field trip. Post ambassador to address supplied by LEARNZ Teacher in a personal email.		Email 10 best questions for each web conference topic to LEARNZ teacher		Receive newsletter #3. Receive confirmed web conference questions to ask. Receive email - ambassador arrived.
Online Material available	Complete Registration & Enrolment. Review field trip Summary.	Web Site goes live. Background readings.	Web conference timetable confirmed, locations.	Field trip website		Class ambassador pages				Web conference questions online

Check home page of field trip for daily additions to the site

The LEARNZ Team is available for support, web conference practise and general inquiries email

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An Example of a Planning Sequence (continued)

Timeline	Field trip week Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	First week after Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Suggested teacher and classroom activities	Finish off previous week's field trip tasks and activities. Discuss expectations and hopes for field trip. Print or bookmark questions for three days of web conferences. Get live updates on Twitter (find LEARNZ teacher Twitter handle in newsletter)	Listen to today's web conference Take part in the LEARNZ Zoom Room.. Write summary for today's web conference. Ask questions in your booked web conference (Tue or Wed or Thu).	View and read the latest updates in the Google Earth Tour. Watch Tue videos, answer questions. Read Tue ambassador diary. Listen to today's web conference Take part in the LEARNZ Zoom Room Write summary for today's web conference.	View and read the latest updates in the Google Earth Tour. Watch Wed videos, answer questions. Read Wed ambassador diary. Listen to today's web conference Take part in the LEARNZ Zoom Room Write summary for today's web conference.	View and read the latest updates in the Google Earth Tour. Watch Thu videos, answer questions. Read Thu ambassador diary.	Review expectations and hopes for field trip. Create chart of highlights. Create individual records of the trip - include images and experiences.	Create individual records of the trip - include images and experiences.	Present individual records of the trip to class, team, assembly or parents. Summarise trip for assessment.	Teacher completes online evaluation of the field trip, including student feedback.	Share learning online via blog or wiki or class website. Publicise in school newsletter and/or BOT report.
Teacher contact with LEARNZ team			Send web conference summary to LEARNZ Teacher -				Receive newsletter #4 Receive thank you email for participating in web conferences or sending an ambassador, email includes digital certificates for printing.			
		Send email to ambassador Receive reply from ambassador				Complete online evaluation form by the due date to go into draw for evaluation prize.		Receive ambassador back in post		
Online Material available			Google Earth Tour Ambassador update Videos Web conferences – daily recordings Expert profile videos			Review field trip components. Web conference summaries.	Review field trip. Web conference summaries.	Field trip website. Web conference summaries.	Field trip website. Web conference summaries.	Field trip website. Web conference summaries.

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Fourth week after

Receive newsletter #5.

Evaluation Prize winner drawn

Choose next field trip, enrol class.