



## Virtual Work Placements and Work Related Learning Opportunities – COVID19 response part 1

This resource was produced in response to the Coronavirus pandemic, and as part of a recovery/resilience plan for the Work Placement Programme as it may be some time before we're safely able to offer work placements again (especially with social distancing measures continuing).

Current restrictions allow us to view virtual work placements and work related learning experiences as a truly viable and worthwhile alternative to 'physical placements'.

Such opportunities can provide access to new, non-traditional and/or remote audiences that couldn't previously participate in physical placements; whether that's because of the limitations imposed due to confidentiality/sensitivity issues within the sector (e.g. NHS), health and safety reasons, or disadvantaged groups of individuals (e.g. students with special needs, or disabilities) who may not have been accommodated in the past. Virtual placements (with or without virtual support) could break down these barriers, offering 'equal opportunities' for all.

Students who aren't ready for a virtual placement may take part in the activities under '**Work Related Learning/inspiration**' section below.

Please note that the list below isn't exhaustive and further opportunities will be added in due course.

### Virtual Placement offers

Topic/ area	Organisation	Description	Web link
Architecture	Halliday Fraser Munro	A newly created work experience programme /learning zone. HFM have developed this space to make their work experience programme available to students who are interested in architecture and design and would like to explore what this exciting industry is all about.	<a href="https://workexperience.hfm.co.uk/">https://workexperience.hfm.co.uk/</a>
Engineering/ Construction	Tideway	Engineering Work Experience Day Online - 1 day placement Wednesday, May 27, 2020 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM All students are welcome to attend, regardless of location. Overview: Tideway are re-connecting London with the River Thames, by building a 25km Super Sewer under the Thames to intercept those nasty spills and clean up our river for the good of the city. If students are interested in apprenticeships in areas ranging from civil engineering, boatmasters, business administration and digital engineering, then join this interactive online workshop.	<a href="https://uptree.co/tideway/e/3215741163/">https://uptree.co/tideway/e/3215741163/</a>
	Heriot Watt and TEAM ESTEEM	Can you create a greener future? Together with Heriot Watt University and the fabulous TEAM ESTEEM, we are inviting budding design, engineering and construction professionals to design the ESTEEM PAVILION.  This is a unique opportunity, open to all primary schools and secondary schools. Working as a digital team, your students can use their creativity and ingenuity to collaborate online and create this fantastic centre...in Dubai!  They'll need to use research skills to discover how a desert climate will affect their decisions and how they might influence whole communities to 'think green' in their everyday lives.  We'll be with you and your students every step of the way... with support from architecture, engineering and construction professionals who will happily provide some hints and tips via social media and webinars.	<a href="https://designengineerconstruct.com/coyo-esteem-pavilion-design-challenge-2020/">https://designengineerconstruct.com/coyo-esteem-pavilion-design-challenge-2020/</a>
LAW	Pinsent Masons	This virtual work experience programme gives students the opportunity to see behind the scenes at Pinsent Masons. The Virtual Programme will help students to decide if a career in law is right for them. In the programme, students will assist a hypothetical Pinsent Masons client. Students will also gain practical skills to add to their CV, whilst getting a flavour of what working at Pinsent Masons is like.  There is no application process for their Virtual Work Experience Programme and anybody interested in pursuing a career in commercial law can register for free.	<a href="https://graduate.pinsentmasons.com/your-route-into-law/work-experience/virtual-work-experience/">https://graduate.pinsentmasons.com/your-route-into-law/work-experience/virtual-work-experience/</a>
	White & Case	Gain an insight into the fast-paced work of our lawyers and trainees by enrolling in our virtual work experience programme. There is no application required and the programme is self-paced to fit around your schedule. This experience will be recognised on our application forms and it is a great way to demonstrate your interest in law and White & Case.	<a href="https://www.allaboutlaw.co.uk/law-jobs/job/1910021129/training-contracts-virtual-work-experience-">https://www.allaboutlaw.co.uk/law-jobs/job/1910021129/training-contracts-virtual-work-experience-</a>
	Linklaters	Linklaters Virtual Programme – the first of its kind among law firms in the UK. In this programme, you will get to sample the cutting-edge work our trainees and lawyers do every day. You will get to build legal skills and better understand what a career at Linklaters offers. Our programme is open to all students, from a law or non-law background. When you complete the Virtual Programme, you'll earn a personalised completion	<a href="https://www.insidesherpa.com/virtual-internships/prototype/xeFy6yZxrCvssEatT/Linklaters-Virtual-Internship#lp">https://www.insidesherpa.com/virtual-internships/prototype/xeFy6yZxrCvssEatT/Linklaters-Virtual-Internship#lp</a>

		certificate to share with prospective employers and your professional network.	
	<b>White &amp; Case</b>	Our virtual program allows students to gain first-hand insight into life as a White & Case lawyer and experience the realities of cross-border law. This program is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open access and free for any college or law student</li> <li>• No application required and can be accessed online from anywhere in the world</li> <li>• Self-paced with no deadlines - takes 5 to 6 hours to complete</li> <li>• No prior legal knowledge or work experience is required to participate in this course, and your work will not be used for assessment purposes.</li> </ul>	<a href="https://www.insidesherpa.com/virtual-internships/prototype/pLAadpKXXzALFSAh5/White%2520&amp;%2520Case%2520Virtual%2520Experience%2520Program">https://www.insidesherpa.com/virtual-internships/prototype/pLAadpKXXzALFSAh5/White%2520&amp;%2520Case%2520Virtual%2520Experience%2520Program</a>
<b>Medicine/ Nursing related</b>	<b>Royal College of General Practitioners</b>	Supported by the Medical Schools Council: Observe GP is an alternative to work experience for aspiring medics aged 16 and over, who are living in the UK. It is a free interactive video platform providing insights into the role of a GP and the wider primary care team.	<a href="https://www.rcgp.org.uk/observegp">https://www.rcgp.org.uk/observegp</a>
	<b>Brighton and Sussex Medical School</b>	Virtual Work Experience Widening Participation to Medicine. This course provides a 'virtual' work experience for those looking to apply to medical school. You will be introduced to the NHS before exploring the roles and skill sets of six different medical specialists. Along the way, you will also consider some of the challenges and wider issues doctors face. Registration required (free) and pre-course survey required	<a href="https://bsmsoutreach.thinkific.com/courses/VWE">https://bsmsoutreach.thinkific.com/courses/VWE</a>
<b>STEM</b>	<b>Scape Group</b>	<i>Learning in Lockdown - the UK's first fully accredited virtual work experience programme.</i>  From 18th May 2020, Learning in Lockdown is a free to join, not for profit, week-long programme, open to all Year 10 and S4 students in UK secondary schools, led by Scape Group and created by Class of Your Own, Learn Live, EDT (The Engineering Development Trust) and Industrial Cadets.	<a href="https://www.scapegroup.co.uk/news/2020/learning-in-lockdown">https://www.scapegroup.co.uk/news/2020/learning-in-lockdown</a>
<b>Various</b>	<b>InsideSherpa</b>	InsideSherpa is a platform that advertises work experience opportunities, internships and other virtual experience programmes from a wide range of companies. You can find virtual internships and work opportunities through the legal, finance, consulting, tech, engineering, marketing & media and social impact sectors – and the list goes on, with new positions listed all the time. Internships and opportunities are available in all kinds of companies from start-ups to big names. As well as exploring opportunities, students can also access CV & cover letter templates as well as video guides to help with virtual internship applications.  <b>Please note</b> that the site requires registration and when 'enrolling' onto an individual internship, students are asked a series of multiple-choice questions about their knowledge of the organisation/the particular career, where they heard about the programme, and if they want to give permission for their details to be passed to the organisation – <b>this can be opted out of.</b>	<a href="https://www.insidesherpa.com/">https://www.insidesherpa.com/</a>
	<b>Barclays</b>	Virtual Work Experience: Freeformers Students get to see the inner workings of Freeformers, a 'digital transformation' agency, and actively work with different departments on one exciting project, helping them solve problems and complete real-life tasks.  As part of the experience students are given tips as well as links through to other LifeSkills content. These are designed to help them learn how best to deal with situations that they may come across in the workplace.	<a href="https://barclayslifeskills.com/i-want-virtual-work-experience/school/virtual-work-experience">https://barclayslifeskills.com/i-want-virtual-work-experience/school/virtual-work-experience</a>
	<b>Hereford Cathedral</b>	National Lottery Heritage Fund supported Eastern Cloisters Project at Hereford Cathedral, we have developed a number of student Work Experience Placements that can be done from home. We know how difficult and concerning it must be right now for young people who have had studies suspended and are looking for opportunities to develop their CV or personal statement. Each placement is a week long, focusing on a specific task or role, with support from the Activity Officer, Sarah. We are keen that these placements are accessible, and as helpful as possible. Placements - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Audio Editing</li> <li>• Publishing</li> <li>• Events Organisation – Hackathon at Home</li> <li>• Oral History</li> </ul>	<a href="https://www.herefordcathedral.org/news/virtual-work-experience-placements">https://www.herefordcathedral.org/news/virtual-work-experience-placements</a>
	<b>Speakers for Schools</b> (also listed in work based/ inspiration section)	Speakers for Schools is proud to announce the launch of the Speakers for Schools Virtual Work Experience (VWEX) programme. To address the need for high quality work experience, in communities which often have a disconnect between the aspirations of young people, and the presence of outstanding employers.  VWEX'ing will expand our current on-site work experience programme to level the playing field for all. Our VWEX programme is the first of its kind in the UK and enables employers to solve key problems in their business while delivering meaningful and structured work experience to more young people wherever they reside.	<a href="https://www.speakersforschools.org/experience-2/vwex/">https://www.speakersforschools.org/experience-2/vwex/</a>
<b>Virtual volunteering</b>	<b>Various</b> (see hyperlinks in	Students could get involved in online volunteering opportunities, help to support groups who vulnerable people in their local area, set up a virtual community group or show their	<b>The examples below are for undergraduates but the principle is the same</b>

	column 4)	talents online via videos and blogs.  All these activities will build their transferable skills and demonstrate to employers their tenacious, proactive, 'outside-the-box' thinking.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Become an online mentor for the Prince's Trust</li> <li>• Support the United Nations</li> <li>• School in the Cloud – help children across the world explore big questions</li> <li>• Help a blind individual with a task that enables them to be independent</li> <li>• Social Enterprise Academy - Community champions challenge <a href="https://your.socialenterprise.academy/course/view.php?id=210">https://your.socialenterprise.academy/course/view.php?id=210</a></li> </ul>
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## Work Related Learning/inspiration

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Aviation	British Airways	Our new student website, Speedbird-Z This is our new student website, where you can complete learning modules about employability, and ask questions to our colleagues. Information on various roles within aviation Simple registration required	<a href="https://careers.ba.com/work-experience">https://careers.ba.com/work-experience</a>
Business/food/finance-	McDonalds	<b>From the farm</b> Join us as we challenge your students to consider what it takes to source ingredients and create new products for customers	<a href="https://www.mcdonalds.com/gb/en-gb/teachers/from-the-farm.html">https://www.mcdonalds.com/gb/en-gb/teachers/from-the-farm.html</a>
		<b>Design a business to support the local community</b> Running a business is not all about profit. Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) is about giving back to the communities in which you serve and operate. Challenge your students to identify a business opportunity to support a local community.	<a href="https://www.mcdonalds.com/gb/en-gb/teachers/be-in-the-business.html">https://www.mcdonalds.com/gb/en-gb/teachers/be-in-the-business.html</a>
		<b>In the business</b> Give your students an inside look at what it takes to run a financially successful business and retain happy customers.	<a href="https://www.mcdonalds.com/gb/en-gb/teachers/in-the-community/design-a-business.html">https://www.mcdonalds.com/gb/en-gb/teachers/in-the-community/design-a-business.html</a>
Career Education	SDS	Interim Career Education Programme: Guidance for Teachers To support continuity in career education until the end of the school year, in addition to the learning resources already available on MyWoW in our partner resources area and the information on our pupils' page, SDS is developing a suite of resources for use with young people in secondary schools and for school leavers. The main resource is a progressive eight-week career education programme. The activities that make up this programme provide a series of weekly lessons for each secondary school stage as well as support for P7/S1 transition. There is also tailored content for school leavers. Lessons will be uploaded to this page at the start of each week and the first week's lessons are now available. All the weekly activities come with a lesson plan for teachers and learning resources for pupils that they can work on independently or with support from those in their household. These resources are a mixture of hands-on and online activities with accompanying pupil worksheets where required. Note: It is recommended that where lessons require pupils to complete online tasks pupils are advised not to print out the worksheet as the website hyperlinks will not be accessible. The worksheets have been developed to be accessible and cater for the differing needs of learners. Where needed, ASN worksheets have been provided.	<a href="https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/career-education-programme">https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/career-education-programme</a>
Digital	Accenture Digital Skills	Young Enterprise Scotland has partnered with Accenture Digital Skills to help young people across Scotland develop the skills they will need for the future job market.	<a href="https://bridge2business.org.uk/digitalskills.php">https://bridge2business.org.uk/digitalskills.php</a>
	Apps For Good	Apps for Good have built new versions of their courses that can be completed from home, and their Awards are open to classroom and home projects from across the world.	<a href="https://www.appsforgood.org/courses">https://www.appsforgood.org/courses</a>
	Hour of Code	Wide range of coding resources categorized by subject for students offered for free by a non-profit organisation. The Hour of Code started as a one-hour introduction to computer science, designed to demystify "code", to show that anybody can learn the basics, and to broaden participation in the field of computer science.	<a href="https://hourofcode.com/fr/en/learn">https://hourofcode.com/fr/en/learn</a>
	Code Week (EU)	List of online resources to teach and learn computer coding, available in all EU languages In 2020 EU Code Week will take place between 10 and 25 October.	<a href="https://codeweek.eu/resources">https://codeweek.eu/resources</a>

		EU Code Week is a grass-roots movement that celebrates creativity, problem solving and collaboration through programming and other tech activities. The idea is to make programming more visible, to show young, adults and elderly how you bring ideas to life with code, to demystify these skills and bring motivated people together to learn.	
	<b>Red Cross</b>	With social media playing an increasing role in our lives, people are questioning how it is used. Reports have found that it can lead to people feeling more insecure and an increase in cyber bullying, with guidelines for new regulations recommended.  These quick discussion activities encourage young people to start to examine the role social media plays in their lives, and how they can use it responsibly and with kindness.	<a href="https://www.redcross.org.uk/get-involved/teaching-resources/teens-social-media">https://www.redcross.org.uk/get-involved/teaching-resources/teens-social-media</a>
	<b>Side Quest</b>	SideQuest is a new initiative for 13-19-year-olds to learn a range of key practical and workplace skills during lockdown through designing and building videogames. The scheme is set up by the youth games career service, Into Games and the national trade body, UKIE. Participants will be able to take part remotely, with free software, curriculum mapped worksheets, online tutorials and a community of fellow game builders on the social platforms Twitch and Discord.  Those that take part will have to build a game from scratch in 7 days to a theme set by a well-known UK games studio, during the week, industry professionals will stream masterclasses, tips and careers advice, offering a creative way to develop students understanding about careers in the sector, satisfying a number of Gatsby benchmarks.	<a href="https://sidequest.org.uk">https://sidequest.org.uk</a>
	<b>iDEA</b>	Free mini courses The Inspiring Digital Enterprise Award, known as iDEA is an international programme that helps you develop digital, enterprise and employability skills for free.  Through our series of online challenges, you can win career-enhancing badges, unlock new opportunities and, ultimately, gain industry-recognised Awards that help you stand out from the crowd.	<a href="https://idea.org.uk/">https://idea.org.uk/</a>
<b>Engineering</b>	<b>I'm an engineer</b>	I'm an Engineer is an online activity where school students connect with real engineers. It's a competition between engineers, where students are the judges. Students challenge the engineers over fast-paced online live CHATs. They ASK the engineers anything they want, and VOTE for their favourite engineer to win a prize of £500 to communicate their work with the public. I'm an Engineer, Stay at home helps classes and youth groups connect with engineers, their teachers and each other during school closures. Zones are running from <b>20th April – 17th July</b>	<a href="https://imanengineer.org.uk/stayat-home/">https://imanengineer.org.uk/stayat-home/</a>
	<b>Tideway</b>	Tunnelworks Employability Skills area Information about some of the careers and skills needed in a major infrastructure project like London's new super sewer, and how they are related to the resources available on TunnelWorks.	<a href="https://tideway.london/tunnelworks/skills/">https://tideway.london/tunnelworks/skills/</a>
	<b>Strathclyde University</b>	Thinking about studying engineering? Considering an engineering apprenticeship? Now's the time to get a step ahead! We have launched a completely FREE, certified, online class in Engineering Fundamentals (SCQF level 7) starting in <b>May 2020</b> . Apply now <a href="https://bit.ly/engfundamentals">https://bit.ly/engfundamentals</a>	<a href="https://bit.ly/engfundamentals">https://bit.ly/engfundamentals</a>
<b>Enterprise</b>	<b>Enterprising Schools</b>	Various resources/activities/challenges – login required At our heart, we are an online resource where practitioners can access support and ideas to help them in embedding enterprise into the curriculum. We do, however, also provide professional learning twilight sessions, authority-wide conferences and personal mentoring. Through these services we encourage and support debate and reflections on the success and challenges of teaching and learning approaches to enterprise education.	<a href="https://enterprisingschools.scot/home-learning/">https://enterprisingschools.scot/home-learning/</a>
	<b>Young Enterprise Scotland</b>	We offer a variety of programmes for young people in secondary education across Scotland. Our programmes are suitable for every year group unless stated otherwise. There are day activities, a monthly challenge, and our year-long Company Programme.  Support materials for teaching staff are provided. Young people will enhance their personal development skills, team skills, improve problem-solving skills and develop leadership and presentation skills.  Our secondary school programmes are reflective of the four capacities of Curriculum for Excellence. They also work towards the Developing the Young Workforce (DYW) 'I Can' Statements at all phases.	<a href="https://yes.org.uk/">https://yes.org.uk/</a>
<b>ENERGY</b>	<b>The Oil &amp; Gas Technology Centre</b>	Inspire20 is an online programme of inspiring educational and career talks. The aim of these sessions are to:  Help young people (ages 16-24) understand the energy transition and the exciting careers available Support a sustainable talent pipeline for the energy sector Showcase our diverse and inclusive staff and their career journeys Create a sense of community for young people	<b>From 25<sup>th</sup> May onwards</b> <a href="https://www.theogtc.com/culture-of-innovation/stem/inspire20/">https://www.theogtc.com/culture-of-innovation/stem/inspire20/</a>
<b>Environment</b>	<b>TED-Ed (TED's youth and education initiative)</b>	Earth School - A coalition of over fifty environmental and education experts are collaborating to launch The Earth School: 30 adventures for learners of all ages to discover, celebrate, and connect to nature. This global team came together under the	<a href="https://ed.ted.com/earth-school">https://ed.ted.com/earth-school</a>

		<p>guidance and support of TED-Ed and UNEP to design lessons for students of all levels and host Earth School at a time when it matters the most.</p> <p>These experts have been supported by over 30 organizations including National Geographic, WWF, and the BBC who have offered top calibre videos, articles, and interactive resources that will be shared around the world. The initiative launches on Earth Day on April 22 and will conclude on World Environment Day on June 5. Earth School is comprised of daily adventures, or Quests, each organized around the theme: "The Nature of..." While the initiative is hosted online, the Quests are very much designed to encourage young people to connect with nature and their environment.</p>	
Inclusion and wellbeing	Leonard Cheshire	<p>Our resources and games for schools and groups cover topics from inclusion and access to disability myth-busting and respectful language.</p> <p>The games and activities can be used towards badges or as part of a lesson plan across many curriculum areas.</p>	<a href="https://www.leonardcheshire.org/what-we-do/employers-and-education-providers/schools-and-groups">https://www.leonardcheshire.org/what-we-do/employers-and-education-providers/schools-and-groups</a>
	Red Cross	<p>Kindness teaching resources</p> <p>Children, young people, parents and teachers can use our free and engaging online resources during the coronavirus lockdown. Each one explores and promotes the value of kindness.</p> <p>The resources will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• encourage simple acts of kindness</li> <li>• build resilience</li> <li>• connect the whole family and the community</li> <li>• cover topics including first aid, preparedness, wellbeing and empathy.</li> </ul>	<a href="https://www.redcross.org.uk/get-involved/teaching-resources/kindness-resource-list?q=&amp;Category=secondary">https://www.redcross.org.uk/get-involved/teaching-resources/kindness-resource-list?q=&amp;Category=secondary</a>
	Princes Trust	<p>We are open to young people aged 11 to 30 from all over the UK - no matter if they have been facing some serious issues such as homelessness or if they've been in trouble with the law.</p> <p>We work with delivery partners across the UK to offer hundreds of free courses, grants and mentoring opportunities to inspire young people to build their confidence and start a career.</p> <p>We've pulled together some of the most useful advice, guidance and resources so you can continue to upskill by developing your confidence and abilities during this challenging time, as well as find the answers to your questions on work and self-employment.</p>	<a href="https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/">https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/</a>  <a href="https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/about-the-trust/coronavirus-response/resource-centre">https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/about-the-trust/coronavirus-response/resource-centre</a>
	WLC Supported Employment Service	<p>Pre-employment skills, preparation and support are offered through the Supported Employment Service.</p> <p>Offering support to any West Lothian resident with a disability seeking assistance in finding employment. The service provides one-to-one support with a designated Advisor, group work sessions, developing skills and organising work experience placements in the voluntary and private sectors, and all job search activities. Working within a person-centred framework, focusing completely on the client's goals, the level of support is tailored to the needs of the individual.</p> <p>***The service is currently exploring recorded training sessions, and interactive 'group work' virtual sessions. This may include a 6 week long course for school leavers – where the student would receive a workbook and take part in remote sessions/activities led by tutor. They hope to offer an Employability Award for this work.</p>	The service is currently exploring recorded training sessions, and interactive 'group work' virtual sessions.
Law	Widening Participation REACH – Edinburgh	<p>Resources for pupils interested in pursuing degrees/careers Law, Medicine or Veterinary Medicine (not just Reach Edinburgh pupils).</p> <p>The resources on this page are all freely available resources that can be found online. We have pulled these together into one place for pupils in order to help you develop your knowledge and understanding of your subject area(s).</p> <p>More resources will be added/updated regularly.</p>	<a href="https://www.ed.ac.uk/student-recruitment/widening-participation/projects/reach/pupil-resources">https://www.ed.ac.uk/student-recruitment/widening-participation/projects/reach/pupil-resources</a>
	Street Law	<p>Initiative that provides free law focussed education to school pupils, normally aimed at S4 and S5 students, whilst also contributing to the professional development of Scots Law students. It aims to work with schools which traditionally do not send many of their graduates to law schools.</p> <p>Adverse set of lesson topics covered that are topical and of interest to pupils and have included social media, cyberbullying, mock trials, freedom of speech and stop and search. The programme itself lasts for around 6 – 8 weeks (1 x hour's session per week) although there can be variations to this.</p> <p>Street Law is traditionally incorporated into the Crime and Law section of the Modern Studies timetable but again this is not exclusive. The classes also cover the knowledge and skills that school pupils can use to recognise, prevent and (in some cases) resolve legal problems.</p> <p>Virtual course delivery currently under discussion.</p>	<a href="https://www.lawscot.org.uk/qualifying-and-education/our-work-with-schools/street-law/">https://www.lawscot.org.uk/qualifying-and-education/our-work-with-schools/street-law/</a> NB - Virtual course delivery currently under discussion.
Logistics	Conglomerate organisations	<p>LEARNING THROUGH LOGISTICS</p> <p>These resources have been collated by four organisations for the next generation of supply chain professionals: Business on the Move, Career Ready Think Logistics, NOVUS and Talent in Logistics.</p>	<a href="https://www.talentinlogistics.co.uk/learning-through-logistics/">https://www.talentinlogistics.co.uk/learning-through-logistics/</a>
Media/	BBC	BBC Young Reporter	<a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/academy/e">https://www.bbc.co.uk/academy/e</a>

Journalism		BBC Young Reporter (formerly BBC School Report) is the BBC's journalism and media project encouraging young people aged 11-18 to share their stories and get their voices heard. It's open to schools, colleges, home schools, youth organisations and community groups in the UK.	<a href="https://www.bbc.com/news/education/young-reporter">n/collections/youngreporter</a>
	<b>Keep Scotland Beautiful</b>	<p>Create a written piece, take a photograph, or produce a film to inform and inspire others with the Young Reporters Scotland competition.</p> <p>If you are aged 8-25 years old, Young Reporters Scotland is perfect opportunity for you to investigate and report on an environmental or sustainability issue which matters to you. Young Reporters is a platform to express your opinions and solutions for environmental issues in addition to providing an opportunity to develop your own journalistic skills.</p> <p>**** COVID-19 Update   Young Reporters Scotland - Reporting From Home****</p> <p>In light of the current global situation, the Young Reporters deadline of 27th March 2020 has been removed. We are in unprecedented times and due to the sudden behaviour change across the world, caused by many countries going into "lockdown", there have been significant and interesting environmental associations.</p> <p>This is a unique situation to evaluate the implications that wide spread behaviour change has on our environment or simply on how you and your family are dealing with the sudden change to your daily lives.</p> <p>We want to hear your stories. It could be around the current Covid-19 situation or not, it's up to you, it's your voice.</p>	<a href="https://www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/sustainable-development-education/young-reporters-scotland/">https://www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/sustainable-development-education/young-reporters-scotland/</a>
	<b>Into Film</b>	<p>We've launched a brand new review writing competition on our social media channels to help young people flex and develop their literacy and analytical skills.</p> <p>Encourage young people to write a review of any film they watch in 100 words or less. Then, simply send us a photo of their review on Twitter or Facebook, and include the entrant's age, and the winner will receive a £20 Amazon voucher.</p> <p>Note: Due to safeguarding issues regarding young people on social media, entries may only be submitted by parents, carers, guardians or educators on behalf of young people.</p> <p>For those that want to say more than 100 words can convey in their reviews, remember - club members can also still log in and post their reviews on the Into Film website, where our ongoing Review of the Week competition continues as normal.</p> <p>Looking for review writing tips? Why not use our Review Writing Frame - a resource created specifically for young people to help them improve their review writing. Download this template below to help budding young critics organise their ideas and get creative.</p>	<a href="https://www.intofilm.org/news-and-views/articles/review-100-competition">https://www.intofilm.org/news-and-views/articles/review-100-competition</a>  <a href="https://www.intofilm.org/competitions">https://www.intofilm.org/competitions</a>
	<b>Glasgow Film Festival (GFF)</b>	<p>GFF Schools Week Free Resources – Secondary schools and Film and Media students</p> <p>As schools begin to close in the wake of Covid-19, we appreciate that the prospect of being home for a while is a daunting one. To keep our minds sharp and add some extra value to a film viewing experience, we are making all of our Glasgow Film Festival Schools Week resources available online.</p> <p>All of the following films are great for students and pupils revising for exams or secondary students learning another language. Our resource contains some short activities to complete after you've watched the film.</p> <p>For the more creative tasks and discussion points, we'd love to see what you come up with! Tweet us @glasgowyouth or tag us on Instagram @glasgowyouthfilmfest.</p> <p>Resource pack available online here:  <a href="https://drive.google.com/open?id=1zYcVQNCdHfnOEakGoJer34LGBGV_LiT">https://drive.google.com/open?id=1zYcVQNCdHfnOEakGoJer34LGBGV_LiT</a></p>	<a href="https://glasgowfilm.org/glasgow-youth-film-festival/latest/news/gff-schools-week-free-resources-secondary-schools-and-film-and-media-students">https://glasgowfilm.org/glasgow-youth-film-festival/latest/news/gff-schools-week-free-resources-secondary-schools-and-film-and-media-students</a>
Medicine, Vet Medicine	<b>Widening Participation REACH – Edinburgh</b>	<p>Resources for pupils interested in pursuing degrees/careers Law, Medicine or Veterinary Medicine (not just Reach Edinburgh pupils).</p> <p>The resources on this page are all freely available resources that can be found online. We have pulled these together into one place for pupils in order to help you develop your knowledge and understanding of your subject area(s).</p> <p>More resources will be added/updated regularly.</p>	<a href="https://www.ed.ac.uk/student-recruitment/widening-participation/projects/reach/pupil-resources">https://www.ed.ac.uk/student-recruitment/widening-participation/projects/reach/pupil-resources</a>
Skills-based	<b>Daydream Believers</b>	<p>We have created a bank of free online resources for teachers to help introduce up-to-date, relevant skills from the industry to secondary school pupils. Most of our lessons are 50 minutes long and vary from stand-alone activities to multi-lesson units. Our lessons focus on different essential skills helping to develop problem-solving, critical thinking and creativity. Search for specific keywords, filter based on the categories or explore all of them one by one. Once you're ready, download them to your device, and you're good to go.</p>	<a href="https://daydreambelievers.co.uk/resources">https://daydreambelievers.co.uk/resources</a>
STEM based	<b>CGI</b>	<p>STEM BASED ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AGED 6-14</p> <p>We've seen great success with our full and half day STEM camps across the UK in partnership with local schools and communities. They are creating weekly STEM based activity packs that can be done at home. The activities are aimed at students aged 6-14. Activities will encompass all aspects of STEM, including coding, environmental sustainability and robotics. There will be a range of activities each week, involving activities with technical, practical and physical elements.</p>	<a href="https://www.cgi-group.co.uk/en-gb/corporate-social-responsibility/stem-from-home">https://www.cgi-group.co.uk/en-gb/corporate-social-responsibility/stem-from-home</a>

	<b>BAE Systems</b>	<p>We're passionate about promoting STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths). We also understand the difficulties faced by many families at the moment, and the importance of home learning.</p> <p>Working with our engineers and partners, we've developed a range of learning resources to help you teach your children or pupils whilst they're at home.</p>	<a href="https://www.baesystems.com/en/careers/careers-in-the-uk/getting-ready-for-work/home-learning">https://www.baesystems.com/en/careers/careers-in-the-uk/getting-ready-for-work/home-learning</a>
	<b>STEM Learning</b>	<p>STEM – top ten employability skills Employability Skills are often based on knowledge, technical skills and attitude – skills which employers greatly value in their employees.</p> <p>This poster from STEM Learning highlights the 10 main skills that employer's value.</p>	<a href="https://www.stem.org.uk/resource/e-library/resource/418157/top-ten-employability-skills">https://www.stem.org.uk/resource/e-library/resource/418157/top-ten-employability-skills</a>
		<p>STEM Ambassadors now offering online activities Any activity created now has an 'online' checkbox as well a place to enter a link to a video conferencing call if required. This means teachers now have access to 30,000+ STEM Ambassadors from across the UK, so think big with your online activity requests, maybe one of them can help. A great way to bring a STEM professional into the classroom, demonstrating the real-world application of a subject or giving your students insight into a career.</p> <p><b>Ambassador Offers</b> We have also asked our STEM Ambassadors to think about what they could offer to schools remotely. This could be a video version of an activity they have delivered previously such as a Q&amp;A, a careers talk or practical session. Or it could be something brand new from an Ambassador's area of expertise which students would love engaging with.</p> <p>All of this can be found in the new Offers section of the Ambassadors website on the left-hand menu. This lets a teacher express an interest in one of more STEM Ambassador Offers, automatically converting it into an activity once a date and time have been agreed on.</p>	<a href="https://www.stem.org.uk/STEM-ambassadors/find-a-stem-ambassador">https://www.stem.org.uk/STEM-ambassadors/find-a-stem-ambassador</a>
	<b>Natural History Museum</b>	<p>Archaeology In summer 2019, Museum scientists set out on an expedition to the wilds of North America to hunt for prehistoric life hidden just below the rocky surface. For four weeks, Museum experts searched a square mile of land in the hopes of uncovering fossils that will help us to understand more about these incredible animals and the environment they lived in.</p> <p>Find out what it takes to be a dinosaur hunter.</p>	<a href="https://www.nhm.ac.uk/discover/what-is-it-like-on-a-dino-dig.html">https://www.nhm.ac.uk/discover/what-is-it-like-on-a-dino-dig.html</a>
<b>Various</b>	<b>Uptree</b>	<p>Uptree bridges the gap between Young People and Employer through helping young people to engage with the world of work and helping employers reach out to young, diverse talent.</p> <p>They offer: A digital platform to help young people discover inspiring career options and find out more about employers and pathways to work. Industry-led careers resources for teachers, including our exclusive Uptree Careers Curriculum. Employability workshops delivered in schools help your young people develop the soft skills they'll need in the workplace. Work experience days and other careers events give your students the unique opportunity to visit offices and meet professionals face to face.</p>	<a href="https://uptree.co/uptree-workshops/">https://uptree.co/uptree-workshops/</a>
	<b>Speakers for Schools</b>	<p>Founded in 2010 by ITV's Political Editor, Robert Peston, our aim is to end educational inequality by giving all young people access to the same prestigious networks available to the top fee-paying schools in the UK. Through talks from today's influential figures via our inspiration programme, our work programme linking state school students to industry-leading companies and networked support partners we are helping level the playing field for young people of all backgrounds. And, we keep our services for our schools and students entirely free of charge. Inspirational talks, careers advice, resources etc</p>	<a href="https://www.speakersforschools.org/">https://www.speakersforschools.org/</a>
	<b>Barclays Lifeskills</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build a job-hunting toolbox</li> <li>• Find out how social media can supercharge a CV, get tips for creating strong covering letters and LinkedIn profiles, and practice interview techniques.</li> <li>• Identify skills</li> <li>• Interactive challenges help identify and develop personal skills – with useful advice on selling these skills to employers.</li> <li>• Gain experience</li> <li>• Offered by businesses, organised by teachers and driven by young people – by working through LifeSkills online, they'll unlock valuable work experience.</li> </ul>	<a href="https://barclayslifeskills.com/">https://barclayslifeskills.com/</a>
	<b>Founders4schools</b>	<p>Inspiring students by connecting them with local business leaders Their mission is to inspire students and prepare them for the rapidly changing world of work. The online platform is a free service, connecting educators with leaders of successful growing businesses in their community. The offer includes inspiring/industry specific webinars.</p>	<a href="https://www.founders4schools.org.uk/covid19/digital-webinars-calendar/">https://www.founders4schools.org.uk/covid19/digital-webinars-calendar/</a>

	<b>BBC Skills for Work</b>	A number of resources, across a number of industry sectors; including advice on applications/interviews	Skills for work - <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/tags/zkh292p/skills-for-work/1">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/tags/zkh292p/skills-for-work/1</a> BBC Applications and interviews <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zjrqp3">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zjrqp3</a>
	<b>Planitplus - Job Seeking Skills tool</b>	Specifically designed to support pupils to develop their employability skills. It is aimed at supporting young people who are about to enter the world of work, enabling them to confidently handle job seeking and the recruitment process. The tool contains four parts, each with a number of modules. All aspects of job seeking are covered, from where to look for work, applying for jobs and attending interviews, through to starting work. Most modules have activities, designed to help young people develop the key knowledge and skills required to look for work and handle the recruitment process confidently. Young people are able to work progressively through the 18 modules and is suited to being delivered remotely. The tool has the flexibility to be used by young people who have limited or no access to the internet or devices larger than their mobile. The modules can be printed out and sent to pupils in paper format and the activities have been produced with both an online and paper based version.	<a href="http://www.planitplus.net/JobSeekingSkills/">www.planitplus.net/JobSeekingSkills/</a>
	<b>DofE</b>	<p>There are four sections to complete at Bronze and Silver level and five at Gold. They involve helping the community/environment, becoming fitter, developing new skills, planning, training for and completing an expedition and, for Gold only, working with a team on a residential activity.</p> <p>Any young person can do their DofE – regardless of ability, gender, background or location. Achieving an Award isn't a competition or about being first. It's all about setting personal challenges and pushing personal boundaries.</p> <p>Through a DofE programme young people have fun, make friends, improve their self-esteem and build confidence. They gain essential skills and attributes for work and life such as resilience, problem-solving, team-working, communication and drive, enhancing CVs and uni and job applications. Top employers recognise the work-ready skills Award holders bring to their business.</p> <p>#DofEWithADifference The coronavirus doesn't mean your Duke of Edinburgh needs to stop – far from it. Whether you're doing or delivering the DofE, here's everything you need to keep yours going.</p>	<a href="https://www.dofe.org/dofewithadifference">https://www.dofe.org/dofewithadifference</a>  <a href="https://www.dofe.org/lifezone/employersbelieve/">https://www.dofe.org/lifezone/employersbelieve/</a>
	<b>Career Ready</b>	<p>Various employers – ranging from the publishers DC Thomson to Logistics experts DHL Career Ready virtual skills festival, held 27 April – 22nd June, is now open to non-Career Ready students.</p> <p>The workshops will give students the opportunity to hear from, and speak to employers, develop key skills, and boost their future employability skills.</p> <p>There are a range of activities, led by volunteers from the world of work, for students to take part in via online workshops</p> <p>Additional sessions will appear throughout the festival so please do check back every week.</p>	<a href="#">Eventbrite</a> Until 22 <sup>nd</sup> June