



Many teachers find that having a specialist professional talk to students in a subject lesson can help increase their enthusiasm and their understanding of how their work at school will help them later in life.

Planning your event

1. Decide on a date and time for your talk, and narrow down which sectors, professions or specialisms (e.g. apprenticeships) you might like to cover.
2. Log on to Inspiring the Future and invite a volunteer (or volunteers) of your choice, giving details on the date, time and venue, along with what you
3. would like them to do and/or bring as props. Volunteer tend to need 4 – 6 weeks' notice.
4. Follow up one week before the event to re-confirm.
5. Prepare pupils with some questions ready to kick-start the Q&A.
6. Have someone greet the volunteer and ensure they are comfortable before introducing them to the class.
7. Encourage students to ask questions and engage with the speaker.
8. Let us know how it went – send us any pictures, videos and feedback so we can help to showcase and celebrate your success: [Contact Us](#) or tweet us [@ITF_Australia](#)

Ideas for Subject Talks in Your School

Although people's work is often relevant to a range of different subjects, the following can be good starting points for subject talks. These are just a small sample of the 1000s of different occupations done by volunteers who can be found through Inspiring the Future:

Subjects and example relevant professions

Subject	Relevant Professions
<i>Maths</i>	Finance professional, engineer, electrician, plumber, architect, data analyst
<i>English</i>	Journalist, publisher, editor, lawyer, communications professional, business administration
<i>Languages</i>	Trade lawyer, international development worker, doctor, politician, translator
<i>Science</i>	Doctor, medical researcher, tech company employee, pharmacist, nurse, apprentice electrician, civil engineer
<i>Technology, IT and Design</i>	Product designer, fashion designer, IT practitioner, advertising executive, film set designer
<i>Geography</i>	Geologist, environmentalist, local authority worker, flood defences manager, travel agent
<i>History</i>	Museum curator, academic, civil servant, archivist
<i>Business Studies</i>	Retail professional, entrepreneur, CEO, HR professional