



SPEAKERS
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PROGRAMME



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For Educators

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About us

Our social mobility mission

As the UK's leading social mobility charity, we're on a mission to empower every 11-19-year-old student from state schools and colleges like yours to reach their potential by providing fully funded work experience and inspirational talks.

Since 2010, we have supported more than 1.6 million young people to expand their networks and develop the necessary confidence, skills, and knowledge to become better prepared for the world of work and their future!

Our dedicated teams of experts partner with educators, employers and young people, as well as speakers, national bodies, funders and policymakers to increase the richness of education for state-educated students, to level the playing field with the best fee-paying schools and to secure better outcomes for all.

Fully funded programmes



Work Experience

- With 100s of leading employers
- For 14-19-year-olds
- 3-5-hour Insight Days
- 3-5-day in-person, virtual and hybrid placements
- Accessible anywhere in the UK



Inspirational Talks

- With high-profile motivational speakers
- For 11-19-year-olds
- Hosted in-person at a school
- Available as broadcasts live online
- Accessible as recorded sessions on our library



National Teen Book Club

- With authors and related speakers
- For 11-19-year-olds in-school
- For 14-19-year-olds after-school
- Online book clubs to provide careers insight
- Available live and as recorded sessions

Work Experience

Programme overview

We offer fully funded placements for your **14-19-year-old students** with 100s of **leading employers** like Bentley Motors, the NHS, Santander, Boots, National Portrait Gallery and Virgin Atlantic.

 Provides careers insights and opens doors to pathways

 Develops employability skills and builds confidence

 Meets Gatsby Benchmarks and uses Skills Builder Framework



3-5-hour Insight Days:

Live bite-size sessions for a larger number of students – introducing young people to specific businesses, industries, sectors or particular careers...
On the way to a longer opportunity.

3-5-day Work Experience:

In-person, virtual and hybrid placements from anywhere in the UK – including engaging skills-building activities, site tours, presentations, project work, and employer Q&As...
There's lots of options for accessibility and flexibility.



To reveal the reasons to get involved [watch a placement in action here](#)

To find work experience for your students [explore opportunities here](#)

5 steps to securing placements

Students need to:

Step 1:

Register for an account with Speakers for Schools

The school will then:

Step 4:

Approve their application and submit it to the employer

Step 2:

Find an opportunity on the website or on our portal

The employer will then:

Step 5:

Review their application & decide whether to offer them a place

Step 3:

Complete the online application and submit it

To get started [create your account here](#) or [sign in here](#)

Book dates for work experience



Do you have dates throughout the academic year that fit with your need for careers support and providing work experience? To let us know what you're looking for [complete this online form](#) or get in touch with your Education Relationship Manager.

How to apply for work experience



To find out how to set up an account, sign in and access placements watch our short [how-to-guide here](#)



To help your students get started share this [easy-to-follow video](#)

Inspirational Talks

We partner with high-profile motivational speakers to uncover their secrets to success and fuel career ambitions for 11-19-year-old students – with options to attend in-person talks in a school or college, join live broadcasts online or watch recorded talks on our library.



Plus our new **Industry Spotlight** talks give young people a chance to learn how businesses operate, pick up recruitment tips and discover what skills they will need for the workplace.

To reveal the reasons to get involved watch an [in-person talk here](#)

To invite an inspirational speaker to your school or college [apply to host here](#)



To look for 45-minute virtual talks view [upcoming broadcasts here](#)

To discover recorded sessions search our [inspirational talks library here](#)

National Teen Book Club

Whether you're looking to motivate your 11-19-year-old students in-school or provide 14-19-year-old independent learners with after-school inspiration, everyone can benefit from our online book clubs.



What's on offer in-school?

At suitable times during the school day, our 45-minute online sessions focus on one hero read per term with six live broadcasts for each – they'll be connected with the English curriculum and our first book is *Jane Eyre*, a retelling by Patrice Lawrence. You can register for one, some, or all sessions and access recordings too.



To inspire your young people to join us share this [insightful author video](#)

To learn more and register for sessions visit our [book club page here](#)

Help and support

For questions about upcoming opportunities and work experience requests, please contact your regional Education Relationship Manager.

Key contacts

For more urgent enquiries, please use the key contacts below:

For enquiries regarding opportunities on offer or portal support, please contact: education@speakersforschools.org or call: 03003 655888 and select 1 for the Experience programme, then 1 for the educator line

For enquiries regarding a student's access to placements and Google Classrooms, please contact: experience@speakersforschools.org or call: 03003 655888 and select 1 for the Experience programme, then 3 for the student line

Help Centre

To get support with our online work experience portal visit our [help centre here](#)

FAQs

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