



Classroom Ideas



There is growing, and compelling, evidence that integrating awareness of the world of work into the curriculum has a positive impact on both children's attainment and their future life prospects. This resource focusses on showcasing many of the different roles that PD Ports has in the Tees Valley but also, crucially, the range of different people that are employed. Relatability is a huge factor in engaging children in any subject and our aim is to show that anyone can work at PD Ports with the right attitude and commitment, there is something to suit everyone.

Using the resource:

The map is simply a weblink, although iPads will require the free Google Earth app installed to run it.

Each point on the map is a different role, a different person. Teachers may choose to work through the map in one lesson or even as a couple of interviews here and there through the week. Most videos are less than three minutes and are designed to provoke discussion:

- Who likes the sound of that role? Why?
- Who thinks they have similar skills to XXXX? Why?
- Why wouldn't you want to do that role?
- What else would you want to know about that role/person?

Each 'blurb' beneath each video ends with a question. You may want to ask the question verbally and get verbal answers or ask the children to complete the attached answer sheet (digital and downloadable versions available).

Some teachers may want the children to work independently and find their own way through the map, answering each question after watching each video. Alternatively, different groups of children in class may be tasked with watching different speakers and reporting back about them as well as answering the key question.

The resource was specifically designed to be both teacher led or used for independent study. The work could even be set for homework although consideration of access to the internet at home may be needed.

