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Teachers Guide to Aeronautical Activities Activity No. 9

Visit a Speaker into School

Asking a speaker with aeronautics experience into school can be a great way to introduce and inspire a large group of pupils. The speakers might want to talk about their work and the machines they use, they might be a pilot, work at an airport or be an engineer involved in design. They can provide some interesting and entertaining talks.

Time Required: The time required is in identifying a suitable person and arranging for them to visit. The talk itself should not last more than an hour. Schools often have small groups present 10 minute vignettes to their Tutor Groups or Year Group Assemblies (certainly this is common in the UK). There are many aeronautics interest groups. A good start is to contact them and invite them to visit.

Resources Required: None really, just the space for the talk. Some organisations such as STEM (Science, Technology Engineering and Mathematics), IMechE (Institution of

Mechanical Engineers) and RAeS (Royal Aeronautical Society) in the UK can arrange for speakers requested by schools [1,2] as part of their outreach activities. Other countries in Europe can look for equivalent Engineering societies within their area to arrange for speakers [3].



Suggested Website:

[1] STEMNET for Educators

http://www.stemnet.org.uk/educators/

[2] Royal Aeronautical Society Outreach

http://aerosociety.com/Careers-Education

[3] IMechE Outreach in Europe

[4] Spanish Aeronautical Society







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