

Learning, Living and Working

School Session Overview November 2025

Key information

Length of session: 120 mins

Entry Level: Entry Level 1 and Entry Level 2

Location(s) of session: National Maritime Museum, ReThink Space, Sea Things gallery, Sammy

Ofer Wing, Ocean Court.

Learning objectives	Curriculum links
 Gain skills and knowledge in the area of employability Learn what a museum is for and who works there Understand the social etiquette of a workplace Develop communication skills through voicing preferences and opinions Explore Museum objects to develop enquiry skills Identify the skills they have demonstrated relevant for Entry level 1 and 2 	 Citizenship and careers Understand a museum as a workplace with staff roles, rules (like what can be touched), and procedures History Explore objects that tell us about the past Social Skills formal greetings, turn-taking, working in groups Communication answering questions and giving presentations

Key words

Workplace, Employment, Colleague

Overview of the session

This course takes three sessions to complete. Each session is adapted to the needs of group.

Week 1: Learning – Learners focus on familiarisation and enquiry. They are introduced to the museum as a workplace, handle maritime objects with care, and use research skills to find the related exhibits in the Sea Things gallery. The first session ends with learners choosing a favourite object to focus on for the rest of the course.

Week 2: Living – Learners practice identifying appropriate museum staff to ask for help and learn how to ask politely. They take part in a practical "Finding your way" activity, navigating the museum independently with their group to find specific locations and, if they wish to, interact with museum staff.

Week 3: Working - Learners combine the skills learned from the previous weeks to complete a



workplace-based task. Acting as curators, they create a short video presentation about their chosen object in the Sea Things gallery.

Please bring school iPads or tablets, if you have them, to record the presentations.

Suggested pre visit knowledge/activities	Suggested post visit activities
Learn about different workplaces and what they do (preferably in arts and heritage, such as historic sites, museums and galleries).	Recall knowledge about the Maritime Museum and the employees that work there. Discuss and compare how it might be different in a different workplace.
Learn about different roles in specific workplaces.	Develop and do more research on their chosen object while back in school.
Watch our 'Social Skills at the Museum' video to see other learners arriving and exploring the museum.	Potentially making a new presentation on the same object or choosing a new topic and object to focus on.

Links to useful resources

Social skills at the museum | Royal Museums Greenwich
Guide and History of Maritime Greenwich | Royal Museums Greenwich
National Maritime Museum Visual Guide | Royal Museums Greenwich