

Introduction

Welcome to Classroom Clash! This suite of nine games has been designed to inspire pupils to think about possible future careers.

Each game is linked to an industry important to Scotland's economic growth and where there are lots of opportunities for interesting and successful careers. By playing Classroom Clash, your pupils will be introduced to meta-skills and will start to recognise how these skills can be used in lots of different jobs. Industries explored within Classroom Clash include:

- Early Learning and Childcare
- Health and Social Care
- Construction
- Digital Technology
- Finance
- Manufacturing
- Life and Chemical Sciences



Learning objectives

Using the Happy Babies game and **My World of Work**, you will explore careers in early learning and childcare and discover what skills are required to work in these important job roles. You will learn what it's like to work within a nursery environment and to manage the different needs of the children.

Use your observational skills to help a busy classroom of young children, balancing each of their happiness levels based on the activity they are doing.



Success in this lesson will look like:

- I can identify the different meta-skills needed to work within the early learning sector
- I can give examples of careers related to early learning and childcare
- I understand what early learning career opportunities there are in Scotland

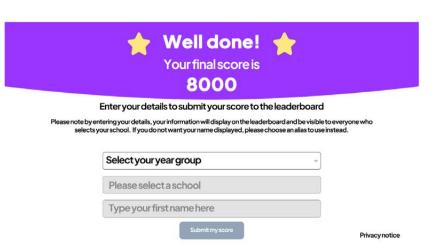
Curriculum links

Health and Wellbeing: HWB 2-02a; HWB 3-02a; HWB 2-04a; HWB 3-04a; HWB 2-44b; HWB 2-51a; HWB 3-51b

Literacy: LIT 2-04a; LIT 2-07a; LIT 3-07a

How did your school do?

- Once the game is finished, input your score to the leaderboard
- Check how well your school has scored compared to others across the nation
- Play again to try and beat your high score!



Meta-skills

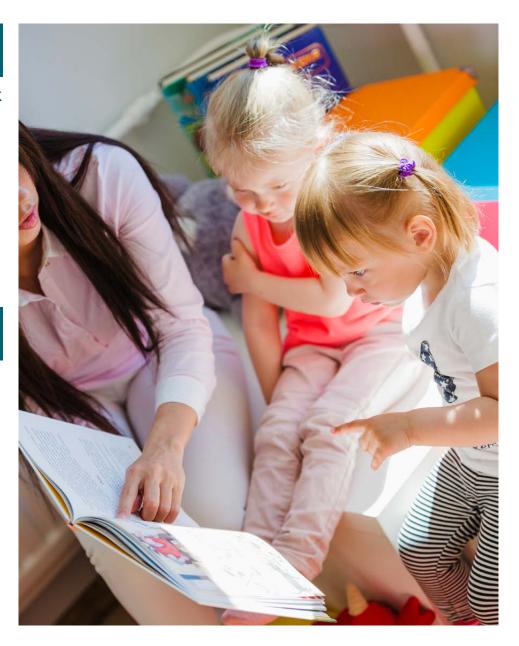
Social Intelligence: Communication; Empathy Innovation: Creativity; Sense making

Follow on learning – 10 min activity

- Using the Explore careers profiles on My World of Work find three careers related to the early learning and childcare sectors and give a brief description of each and where they might work
- From the careers you found on My World of Work, list some of the skills you need to work in the early learning and childcare sectors
- What subjects do you think would be most useful for working in the early learning and childcare sectors?

Additional classroom activities

- Design a playground or classroom: divide the class into groups and challenge them to design a safe and inclusive playground or classroom for children of different ages and abilities. This fosters creativity and empathy
- Child development games: challenge pupils to create safe, educational games for children on different topics, e.g sorting games



Related careers

- **Early years teacher**
- Classroom assistant
- Learning support assistant
- Teacher primary school
- Play therapist
- Nursery manager

Useful early learning & childcare links

- Early Years Scotland
- Parent Club Scotland
- Early learning and childcare careers
- Scottish Social Services Council

Sectoral Skills Assessments

- Social Care
- Childcare



Find your route...

When it comes to your career, there are so many possibilities

- Use My World of Work to find out about different options
- Research different colleges or universities for any courses that interest you:

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- Colleges in Scotland list of members
- Universities Scotland list of members
- Look at Apprenticeships.scot to learn about the pathways that are available. You can start an apprenticeship whilst still at school and you work towards gaining a qualification while on the job. There are 3 options available:
 - Foundation Apprenticeship
 - Modern Apprenticeship
 - Graduate Apprenticeship



Next Steps

Interested in learning more about this sector?

- Make an appointment to speak to your school careers adviser
- Check out the related Healthcare and social services industry pages on My World of Work
- Do some research on related careers by checking out the Explore careers pages on My World of Work
- Listen to industry experts explain their roles within the sector by watching the Virtual Meet the Expert videos.
- Find out about routes into work and careers by checking out Apprenticeships.scot

