



## Frequently Asked Questions

### Background / Getting Organised

**Q: What is Bank Camera Action?**

A: Schools are invited to submit a short film on topics that change every year. The topic for this year is: **Climate change – never too small to make a big difference.**

We want students to produce a film entitled '**Climate change – never too small to make a big difference**'. We wish to encourage creativity and diversity using a completely free format to appeal to a broad range of students studying many different subjects e.g. via poetry, animation, dance, rap, music, cartoons, graphics, interviews or a news item etc.

The emphasis is on creating films that communicate the subject in interesting and imaginative ways, not on analysis and depth of content. The more creative and imaginative the better.

Young people are growing up in an era of climate change. The world is getting hotter faster. The impacts are already visible: glaciers are shrinking, sea levels rising and heatwaves are intensifying.

At the Bank of England, [we are also concerned about climate change](#). Many economic activities impact the environment, such as burning coal, oil and gas. And a threat to the environment is also a threat to the economy.

Big problems can make you feel very small. So our competition theme is: **Climate change - never too small to make a big difference.** Get creative and show us your solutions to climate change.

**Q: Why should we enter?**

A: The Competition gives you the opportunity to engage your students in KS2 – KS5 / Primary 3-7 and Secondary 1-6, in a creative and cross-curricular activity. As an extra incentive, your school and students can win prizes.

**Q: How much does it cost to enter?**

A: Entry to the Competition is free. The school must cover any expenses incurred during the production of your film.

**Q: Are there prizes?**

A: There will be cash prizes for schools and gift vouchers for individual team members. All schools that submit a film will receive a trophy and students will receive certificates.

**Q: What help is available for teachers?**

A: There are a number of resources available on our [website](#)

**Q: Do we need any special equipment to make our film?**

A: The Competition is designed so schools are able to use the resources they already have such as smartphones, tablets or video cameras.



### Entry criteria / rules

**Q: Who can take part?**

A: Any UK based primary school; secondary school; sixth form college and further education institution may enter teams.

**Q. Can schools outside the UK take part?**

A: No. The Competition is not open to international schools.

**Q: How many teams can we enter from our school?**

A: Each school / college can enter multiple teams.

**Q: How many students can be in each team?**

A: You may have up to a maximum of five students in each team but there is no limit to the number of people that can be shown in the film.

**Q: Do students need to give their permission or get the permission from their parent/guardian to be involved in the film?**

A: Students aged 18 or over must sign a student consent form giving their permission to appear in the film. Students under the age of 18 must have their parent/guardian sign a parental consent form

**Q: What child protection measures are in place?**

A: Schools are responsible for ensuring that students who appear in their films have given their permission or sought parental permission to take part. Students must only be identified by their first names during the film and the credits.

**Q: Do the students have to do everything themselves?**

A: The team must be supported by a teacher at the school. Film and idea development and production should be led by the students with guidance from their teacher.

### Entries

**Q: How do we enter the Competition?**

A: All schools must register their interest in taking part by completing and submitting an entry form to [filmcompetition@bankofengland.co.uk](mailto:filmcompetition@bankofengland.co.uk) Schools must obtain the necessary consent from either the student or parent/guardian once they have been allocated a place in the competition.

**Q: What are the categories for film entries?**

A: This year's categories are: most creative; technically impressive; Special Educational Needs; ages 6-9 (years 3-4 / P3-4); ages 8-11 (years 5-6 / P5-6); ages 10-14 (years 7-9 / P7, S1-S2); ages 14-16 (years 10-11 / S3-S4); ages 15-19 (years 12-13 / S5-S6); and an overall winner being chosen from one of these eight categories.



**Q: What is the closing date for entry forms?**

A: 23.59 p.m. on Friday 25 October.

**Q: How will places be allocated?**

A: Schools will be notified of a place in the competition via email by 1 November. (Please ensure our address [filmcompetition@bankofengland.co.uk](mailto:filmcompetition@bankofengland.co.uk) is added to your contacts list to prevent emails being sent to your Spam folder).

Your Films

**Q: How long should our film be?**

A: Films must be minimum one minute long and last no longer than three minutes including titles and credits.

**Q: Can we use music in our film?**

A: Yes. As long as it is your own work and not copied. We can only accept films which feature original or royalty free music. We will not be able to accept any films that do not adhere to this.

**Q: What file format does our film need to be in?**

A: Your film must be in one of the following file formats: MP4 video file (.mp4, .m4v, .3pg), QuickTime Movie file (.mov) or Windows Media formats (.wmv).

**Q: How do we submit our film?**

A: Films should be submitted via [WeTransfer.com](https://www.wetransfer.com) using these [instructions](#). There is no charge for this service.

**Q: When must we submit our film?**

A: Once your place in the Competition has been confirmed, you can start work on your film straightaway. It must be submitted by 23.59 p.m. on Monday 2 December.

Judging and Results

**Q: Who are the judges?**

A: The judging panel will consist of Bank of England staff.

**Q: What are the judges looking for?**

A: Judging criteria can be found on our website.

**Q: When will the results be announced?**

A: The winners will be announced on our website by end January 2020.