

Go Bananas for Idioms Virtual Field Trip

Policies, Procedures, and Additional Information

Cost and Payment

- Virtual field trips are offered for free for schools (private, charter, and public), non-profit youth-serving organizations, and homeschooling cooperatives in the geographical areas of DC, the Maryland counties of Anne Arundel, Howard, Montgomery, Prince George, and the Virginia counties of Fairfax, Loudon, Falls Church, Arlington, Alexandria, and Prince William.
- All schools, organizations, or learning centers located outside of the jurisdictions listed above will be charged \$100. This fee helps ensure Planet Word can provide a qualified educator for the duration of the program, professional registration support, an optional tech test call, and a virtual platform for all programs.
- The fee must be paid, in full, at least two weeks before the scheduled program date. If the fee is not received two weeks before the scheduled program date, your program will be cancelled.

Cancellation

- Please give us 2 weeks' notice if you need to change your reservation, and we will be happy to work with you to reschedule. Your consideration helps us serve as many groups as possible. Programs cancelled with less than 1 weeks' notice will not be eligible for a refund.
- If Planet Word needs to cancel your program for any reason, Planet Word will work with you to reschedule at another time. If we are not able to agree on a date to reschedule, and you have paid for your program, your program fee will be refunded.

Participants

Grades 3-5. 5-32 students. At least one school employee/supervising adult **MUST** participate.

Tech and Security Requirements

- Planet Word will do our best to meet your group's security needs. If you prefer for us to send you a unique virtual meeting link on Zoom or Microsoft Teams, or for us to join you in your digital classroom, we're happy to be flexible. Let us know what you need.
- The Planet Word educator must have the ability to share their screen.

Behavior Expectations

- Planet Word believes that everyone involved in our programming should be treated with respect-educators, parents, and students. Participants are responsible for behaving in a way that does not intimidate, endanger, or disrupt the participation of others. Any form or written or verbal abuse will not be tolerated.
- If the above behavior expectations are not followed, Planet Word educators may provide a verbal redirection. If the behavior continues, Planet Word educators may remove the participant from the program or end the program.

Expectations for Adult Educators and Chaperones

- At least one school employee/supervising adult **MUST** participate to ensure the safety and security of all involved. If the adult is unable to participate or loses internet connection during the call, the Planet Word educator will end the program.
- The supervising adult is responsible for making sure participants adhere to the behavior expectations above.

- The supervising adult will serve as a co-host and will be responsible for admitting students to the virtual room.

Timeline

Planet Word programs are adaptable and highly participatory and may change depending on student engagement and needs:

- 10 minute welcome, introduction to Planet Word, introduction to content.
- 15 minute game matching literal and non-literal meanings of common American English idioms.
- 15 minute opportunity for students to create and share their own idiom drawing.
- 5 minute Review, Q&A, and conclusion

Standards Alignment

CCRA.L.5: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.

L.3.5.A: Distinguish the literal and nonliteral meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).

L.4-5.5.B: Recognize and explain the meaning of common idioms, adages, and proverbs.