

# Our World

## Quick start guide

### What is Our World?

Our World is a national interdisciplinary film competition organised by Scotland's National Centre for Languages (SCILT).

Learners work in teams to:

- Explore one or more UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Create a 2-5 minute short film
- Use at least one language other than English
- Develop creativity, communication and digital production skills

The competition culminates in an online film premiere and awards ceremony in December 2026.

### Why participate?

Our World supports:

- Curriculum for Excellence
- Developing the Young Workforce (DYW)
- Language skills
- Literacy & communication skills
- Digital & technological skills
- Creativity & critical thinking
- Learning for Sustainability

It also broadens learners' understanding of where languages can lead beyond traditional pathways.

### Who can take part?

- Secondary pupils in:
  - S1-2
  - S3-4
  - S5-6
- Up to 3 teams per age group
- 3-5 learners per team

### Competition requirements

Each team must:

- Submit a storyboard at the first stage
- If shortlisted, create a 2-5 minute film
- Include at least one language other than English
- Focus on one or more Sustainable Development Goals
- Use original footage only (no stock material)

### Judging categories

- Best Film Production (camera, editing, sound)
- Best Content (creative SDG integration)
- Most Creative Use of Language
- Peer Choice Award (voted at ceremony)

Judging focuses on creativity and innovation rather than language accuracy alone.



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### Key dates

13 March 2026	Project launch
29 April 2026	Teacher information session
19 June 2026	Storyboard submission deadline
August 2026	Shortlist announced
Sep 2026	Online filmmaking workshop
13 Nov 2026	Final film deadline
Dec 2026	Online Premiere & Awards

### Support Available

- Live and recorded teacher information session
- Learner introduction video
- Storyboarding support materials
- Online filmmaking workshop (for shortlisted teams)
- Ongoing email support from SCILT

Contact: [scilt@strath.ac.uk](mailto:scilt@strath.ac.uk)

### What is required from staff

#### Before June:

- Promote opportunity
- Support team formation
- Guide SDG and language planning
- Submit storyboard

#### If shortlisted:

- Attend online filmmaking workshop with learners
- Support filming and editing process
- Ensure compliance with competition rules

#### Final stage:

- Submit MP4 film by 13 November 2026
- Collect and submit media consent forms
- Attend online premiere

### Next Steps

1. Identify potential staff collaborators
2. Promote to relevant year groups
3. Register interest and attend information session
4. Begin team recruitment

