

Learn with the Lords Online

Thank you for your interest in taking part in our Learn with the Lords Online programme. Before booking onto a session please read the important information below. If you have any further questions, please do get in touch:

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Home Education Sessions - FAQs

When will our session take place?

Learn with the Lords Online sessions for Home Education Groups take place once a month on a Friday: a 9:30-10:10am session for young people aged 7 to 11 and a 10:30-11:10am session for young people aged 11 to 18. **Please make sure to book onto the correct session for the age of your young people.** We ask you to join the session 5 minutes before the start time so that we can resolve any technical problems before the session begins.

What technology do we need?

Learn with the Lords Online takes place via Microsoft Teams, which you can access via a browser on a laptop or desktop. To access via a phone or tablet you will need to download the free Microsoft Teams app. You will receive the Microsoft Teams joining link for your session a week in advance.

It is important that your young people can see and hear the Lord or Baroness on screen, and that you have a working camera and microphone for the session so that your young people can ask questions. Please ensure that you have a reliable internet connection.

If you have any IT questions, please contact us.

Do we need to prepare?

We advise you to prepare at least two questions for the Lord or Baroness, as we hope to get through as many questions as possible. The number of questions that you get to ask will depend on how many families book in for the session, and how long the Lord or Baroness needs to reply to the questions. We expect to get through an average of 20 questions per session.

We will send you resources to help your young people prepare for the session, a selection of which can be found at the end of this document.

Can my young people join the session alone?

You (a responsible adult) must be present for the session for safeguarding reasons, as young people are encouraged to ask questions live during the session. The session will not be recorded.

Can I book onto more than one session?

You are welcome to book onto more than one session.

What will happen?

You will be asked to join the session 5 minutes before the start time. When the session begins, a member of the Education and Engagement Team will welcome the member of the House of Lords to the session, and hand over to them to introduce themselves. They will then ask the young people for their questions. We ask that your young people turn on their camera and microphone when they ask their question. If this isn't an option, you can write your question in the chat box.

Who is our Lord or Baroness?

You will be provided with the name of your Lord or Baroness, and a link to their Parliament biography, a week before the session.

Can we take photos of or film the session?

Please **do not take photos or film** the session. You will be joined in the session by other families and groups, and we ask that you turn your camera and microphone on to ask questions. The session will not be recorded for safeguarding reasons

In the meantime...

You may find the following resources useful in preparing for your Learn with the Lords Online session:

- [Introduction to UK Parliament - Video](#)
- [How are Laws made? Video](#)
- [Who is in the House of Lords? Video](#)