

Frequently asked questions

What's the closing date of the competition? 5pm on Monday 2nd June 2025.

Who can enter the Childnet Film Competition? Any groups of children and young people in the UK aged 7–18 can enter the competition, via their school or youth group setting.

What are the categories? Primary (7–11 years old) and Secondary (11–18 years old).

What's the role of the supervising adult? Film entries must be submitted by the adult supervising the project (such as an educator or youth leader). Their role is to oversee the making of the film and to ensure it keeps in line with the terms and conditions of the competition.

How many people can be in a film group? Each group can be up to eight people, including those behind the scenes.

Can a young person enter on their own? We cannot accept any films entered into the competition which have not been submitted by a supervising adult. By taking part, young people enter the competition to win prizes for their school or youth group. If a young person has made a film themselves, please support them by making sure the film adheres to the terms of the competition, explain what could happen if they win a prize and if everyone is happy, submit the film on their behalf.

How many entries can be submitted? Schools or youth groups can submit as many entries as they like, so long as each entry is from a different team of children.

Are there any prizes to be won? Yes. The six films which make it through to the finals will win film making equipment for their school or youth group.

What equipment should we use? You could use anything from a camera to a mobile phone. It's the fantastic content and message that we will be looking for!

Can we add music? Only if it is original or royalty free music. Make sure that you have read our section on copyright before you include any music in your film.

What about adding images from an online game? This will breach copyright so avoid using any images or footage of an online game.

Are there any filmmaking resources I could use? Yes, take a look at our top tips for filmmaking guide to help you achieve the best shots in your film.

How do we get started?

Head to the main competition page and select your category to access your competition pack and instructions on how to enter.

How do we enter our film?

For each film entered you will need:

1. Film title.
2. Names of the young people involved.
3. Signed media consent forms (hold on to these as you will need to send us these if your film is shortlisted for the finals)
4. A link for to us to watch your film (for example Dropbox, Microsoft One Drive, Google Drive). *Please make sure we have access to the film.*
5. Once everything is ready, you can enter your films at childnet.com/film.

What will you do with our data?

All personal information that is collected, used or kept for the purposes of The Childnet Film Competition is kept securely and only for the purposes of the programme and is compliant with GDPR.

We advise schools to follow their own GDPR compliant school regulations when sending us through Childnet Film Competition consent forms.

Please see our full privacy policy at childnet.com/privacy/policy.

Any further questions, please email film@childnet.com.