

# Ways to volunteer and increase your impact

All volunteering you can do as a STEM Ambassador is valuable, but how can you have the most impact with the time you have to give?

Below are 7 types of volunteering you could be involved in.

### **Engaging**









Providing young people with new experiences by inviting them to the workplace or delivering sustained outreach. These activities can be very memorable for young people and influence their next steps in life.

# **Presenting**











Creating and delivering a presentation or activity to young people on your STEM Career or area of expertise. These activities can spark interest and allow you to reach large numbers of students at once.

## **Upskilling**







To create the most impact when volunteering, engage in training and development opportunities to learn new skills and techniques. This is a chance to focus on your personal and professional development and reflect on your volunteering practice.



## **Ways to volunteer** Continued



# Influencing •





Working with educators to influence school policy and knowledge of STEM careers. These opportunities can be high impact as you'd reach many students indirectly through the teacher or leadership group.

# Mentoring









Working with individuals or small groups to give guidance and support over a longer period of time. As a sustained commitment, this can be really impactful for the young people involved.

# Contributing







Writing or recording content on your STEM career or area of expertise to inspire others. This can be done at your own pace.

### **Supporting**







Working with schools and other organisations to help with pre-planned events and activities. These activities can be simple and effective ways to reach young people and need less preparation.

Remember to <u>record your volunteering</u> if it isn't organised via the platform - if you don't record it, we don't know about the impact.



# **Helpful links:**

**STEM Ambassadors platform** 

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