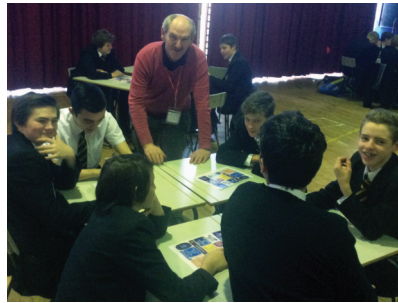




Boston Grammar School Students, enthused and engaged at Unite in Schools Day - 04 February 2015



A UiS session with the school council representatives at Holyhead High School, February 2015



UiS session participants from Chilwell School, Nottingham with teacher Joyce Shakeshaft

Our short classroom sessions include a mix and match of the following activities and discussions, rooted in students' own experience:

A brief history of trade unions

A look at what unions have done for us in the past (paid holidays, maternity leave)

What we do today (including campaigns around tuition fees, environmental issues, apprenticeships, zero hours contracts)

Activities and short animated films around:

What do you know about Trade Unions?

Having a louder voice

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Unite in Schools

A national programme teaching school students about trade unions



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Unite in Schools is a national programme run by the union which aims to teach school students about the role of trade unions in the workplace.

The programme is targeted at years 10 and 11 and can be linked into the National Curriculum under *Citizenship* for Key Stage 4. Sessions can also be delivered to students in Higher and Further Education when requested.

Unite in Schools is being delivered by members of Unite, usually work place representatives, who have been trained to deliver the programme and to facilitate debate in the classroom.

In a short classroom session, the Unite in Schools speakers outline how trade unions work to improve the pay and terms and conditions of their members - as well as protecting workers against bullying or discrimination. Students are asked to participate in one or two activities which aim to open meaningful discussions on trade unions.

If you are interested in getting involved with the Unite in Schools programme, please contact: mary.sayer@unitetheunion.org 07799 114243 or liane.groves@unitetheunion.org 07793 661657

Richard Garbett (Vice Head Spalding High School):

'I enjoyed your session at Spalding High School - it was obvious when you began that the students had little idea of what a Union is or how they function. I'm sure they left the session much more informed! The 'votes' and mini-debates were especially effective and the student's confidence in answering was growing as the session went on.'



Jo Cooper (Teacher at Boston Grammar School)

'The students were split into Year 10, Year 11 and the Sixth Form. Whilst the three sessions followed the same format the questioning used allowed for all students to get the most out of the activities. The pupils, whilst aware of unions, were not really sure what they were for and this really opened their eyes as to the benefits a union can give to the workforce.'

'The boys particularly liked having to come up with their own 'campaign' and started to understand that by standing together they can make a difference. The workshops were incredibly well run and informative and we look forward to booking David for next year.'

Unite in Schools, National Citizen Service, Derby College.



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