

Grade 5 Podcast Template

Introduction:

Welcome to our podcast _____. I'm your host, _____ and my team members _____ we are here today to talk about _____

Engage the audience:

- **Big idea:** use exciting openings "Did you know that ..." where we introduce the Big Idea and give an impactful facts or questions.
- **Essential Questions:** pose essential questions to personalize your big idea. How can we create awareness about the importance of Food banks? How can we support Food banks? How can we make a difference?
- **Challenge:** Can we create change? Use storytelling to create this change.

Tip: A challenge begins with a verb, it is immediate, actionable and creates excitement. Also, in this step, assign roles for group members - interviewer(s), sound engineers, script writers/editors, presenters.

Here are some terms that you need to be familiar with:

Term	Meaning
Script	Outline of the ideas that will be presented in the podcast
Narrator	introduces and explains each segment of the podcast
Interviewer (s)	directly interviews "experts", volunteers, participants
Sound engineer	chooses a quiet space for best quality audio in the interview and checks quality of sound and makes sound edits
Music editor	Responsible for opening/closing themes, background music, sound effects
Podcast producer	Decides which sound bites to use in what order, for the most compelling story.

Investigate:

- **Identify guiding questions:** Write questions about Food Bank that you think are important to solve the challenge. Here are some of the questions to think about, make sure to add your own:

What is a food bank?

How does the food Bank work?

Does our audience know about the local FB?

How does the community support the FB?

Where can I share my story?

Who needs to hear about my story?

Pick a few questions to focus on in your investigation. Once you determine your questions, you start your research.

- **Guiding activity:** make use of activities and resources - an activity can be conducting interviews with teachers, parents, students, principal of school. Check also Food bank websites for interesting information to share.

- **Evaluate your research findings:** What have we learned? What are they key points? Did you discover new ideas? Did you find out new ways to help Food banks?

Tip: in this step check different Food Banks websites and your local Food banks.

Action

- **Act:** This is where you define your solution. How are you going to support food banks? What can we do to make a difference?

- **Create a plan of action:** list steps that you will take to implement your solution. Plan a fundraising event? Present at assembly, create a committee that will be active across the academic year? Present your podcast to various audiences.

- **Share:** Don't stop here! Think about next steps to share your big idea! by creating a presentation, write a short article, write a blog or Vlog, present at morning announcement, plan field trips to food banks.

