



## Student activity guide

# How do you talk to someone who lives in a different country?

### Activity

### Tools

1

This step focuses on organising the international conversation, preparing the questions and completing it.

Use the Tree Map method to record your 'need to knows'. Remember this should include finding out the correct date and time zone information. Turn the 'need to knows' into questions and allocate them as Wunderlist tasks to each group member.

2

To organise the international conversation your groups needs to decide the best way to make initial contact.

Compose an email or a telephone script to use so you don't miss out important details or questions.

Role play the phone call to practise speaking clearly and adapting the script due to unforeseen circumstances.

Remember to ask if your person would like a copy of the questions before the interview. Record all interactions in the group's Google Doc.

Finalise the time, date and method for the interview.

3

Use a Tree Map to record the 'need to knows' for having your international conversation. These should focus on the information required for the infographic and the logistics of interviewing someone in another country who may not speak the same language.

The information required for your infographic is:

- Name of the dairy farmer in New Zealand
- Role of the dairy farmer in New Zealand
- Name of the farm in New Zealand
- Photo of the farmer in New Zealand
- Name of international contact
- Role of international contact
- Name of the place where the international contact works
- Address of the farm in New Zealand
- Country of the international connection
- Address of the international connection
- How is the international person is connected to the farmer in New Zealand (who represents our dairy industry)?  
E.g. Show how the dairy product or innovation with a New Zealand connection ended up in another country
- A numerical statement about distance
- A numerical statement about time
- A numerical statement showing a percentage
- A numerical statement using whole numbers
- A numerical statement about cost
- The category your international connection fits into – animal, technology, science, food or business

Remember the more information you can collect the more accurate your infographic will be.

4

Change your 'need to knows' in to interview questions.

Ask a peer or teacher to review the questions against the information requirements for the infographic.

Create a Wufoo form to use for the interview.

Explore Google Translate as a tool to help with language differences. Are there any people in the school or wider community that could help with translation?

Carry out the international conversation. Record the interview for future reference.

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Export and evaluate the information from the international conversation, against the requirements for the infographic.

Sort the relevant information according to which part of the infographic it might be useful for. Set up a Circle Map for each set of information in your group's Google Doc.

Determine whether there is information that is missing. Decide if this information is important and make a plan for collecting it or substituting it.

Tree Map



Tree Map



Circle Map



## SUCCESS CRITERIA

You can check you have completed the task successfully by:

- Organising a time and date for an international interview
- Making contact with the correct person and completing the international conversation
- Collecting information relevant to every field required for the infographic