

The West Australian ED!





Thank you for your interest in being a part of the kidsQs podcast — The West Australian's podcast for kids featuring the topics and questions that are of interest to them. Each week our co-hosts, Kate and Dylan, will ask an expert for the answers to your burning questions.

These are some sample questions that were developed by students, to give you an idea of the types of things we are looking for.

TOPIC – CLIMATE CHANGE (Year 4s)

- What is climate change and why is it a thing?
- Were the fires involved in climate change and if so why?
- How is global warming affecting our animals, and roughly how many animals has it affected?
- How can climate change affect our lives and resources in the future?
- What is the ecological foot print and how does it affect us and why?
- How can we help climate change to slow down?
- How do we stop climate change?
- What is your prediction in the future if the world gets greedy or hungry for resources?
- How has the climate changed though the years?

TOPIC – GAMING (Year 6s)

Screen time

We keep hearing that kids spend too much time on screens. What's an appropriate amount of time to spend on "screen time" each day? Does it change depending on if you are gaming, creating or doing school work?

Making Games

• We love playing games but when we try to make our own game on Scratch it's difficult and time consuming. How long does it take to make a game like Minecraft? Why do you have to pay for some games and not for others?

Age Ratings

 Most games have an age rating but we know lots of kids play games that have an older age rating. How do they determine the age rating for games? Would you let young children play games that are rated 12+ like Fortnite?

Gaming Addiction

 We have heard that some kids get addicted to gaming. What makes some people addicted to gaming? Why do kids get addicted to gaming but not to doing homework? How can people stop being addicted to gaming? Can people at any age become addicted to gaming?

Other Questions

- How does gaming affect the brain? Is there any difference between violent, creative and learning games?
- How has gaming affected the world?
- Are there any positives to gaming?