

Tips for Working with Young People

RSPB COP26 Climate Change Youth Project

Working with young people can lead to really creative, innovative and engaging projects.

Here are our top tips for working with us:

1. Ensure there is enough space and time so the young people can share their perspectives.
2. Ensure there is room for creativity and freedom to think; as there is often more than one angle to approach topics.
3. Young people are often very knowledgeable about the topics they're discussing – many know more than some adults do!!
4. Treat the young people with the same level of respect as any other person and try not to 'dumb things down'.
5. Be honest; if you are working older young people don't sugar coat issues.
6. It might be tempting to try and be "relatable", but it's better just to be yourself with us.