

Read Around the Planet

TWICE Video Conference Event

English & World Languages: February 24 - March 7, 2014



Celebrate Read Around the Planet!

Read Around the Planet is a celebration of NEA's Read Across America. Classrooms use interactive video to connect with other classrooms and celebrate reading. The activity is sponsored by [TWICE](#) and Polycom.

TWICE provides the registration tool, matches classrooms with partners, and provides support documents. Participating classrooms are responsible for their video connection and developing their own reading activities.

**Disclaimer. While we are using this name to be inclusive to our international friends, this name does NOT guarantee U.S. schools an international connection.*



Participate in English or World Languages

This activity is open to all K-12 students (ages 5-18) in public and private schools who have access to two-way interactive video equipment (IP H.323).

Your class will be matched with a class from a different location and each class will exchange reading activities. World language classes will receive a match with the same language, but may not be the same grade level.

Classroom to classroom connections will take place February 24 - March 7, 2014. Time choices are on every half hour between 8am and 4 pm your time.

Each connection is scheduled for an hour:

- 10 min. Introductions & sharing maps
- 15 min. The first class leads the interaction
- 15 min. The second class leads the interaction

- 10 min. Q&A exchange info about schools & communities
- 10 min. Extra time in case of connection troubles



Project Timeline

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| Jan 8, 2014: | Equipment Verification Deadline |
| Dec 2, 2013 - Jan 14, 2014: | Teacher Registration |
| Jan 20 - 24, 2014: | Leftover Registration & Matching Classes Partner |
| Jan 27 - 31, 2014: | Class Details Emailed and Online |
| Feb 24 - Mar 7, 2014: | Connections Occur |



Registration and More Information

Register online at <http://projects.twice.cc>
Instructions for registration at <http://www.twice.cc/read/>
Questions? Email sue@twice.cc

Read Around the Planet Activity Ideas

- Skits - Plays
- Raps - Songs
- Illustrations (check the format of your document camera first!)
- Dramatizations
- Student-created books
- "Battle of the Books"

and more ideas:

www.twice.cc/read
www.nea.org/readacross

Languages

English
English as a Second Language
French
Spanish
Special Education

