

Virtual Museum Tour

Virtual Activity

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WHAT MAKES IT MEANINGFUL

Virtual tours of museums are fun to do as a group or individually. They provide educational insights into various forms of art, architecture, artifacts, historical people, and societies. You can view the tour from your home, local coffee shop, and library.

TIME

Depending on the type of tour a tour ranges between 30 minutes and 2 hours.

MATERIALS

- Required: Admission Tickets (Free to \$25.00+)
- Required: Laptop or tablet (\$260.00+)
- Required: Internet connection to join the session (\$50.00+)
- Required: Zoom or Google meet to join the session and view (\$0.00+)
- Optional: Headphones (\$26.00+)
- Optional: Notebook to write down facts or reflect on after the tour (\$5.00+)
- Optional: Snacks to enjoy during the tour (\$5.00+)



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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Plan a day/time for this activity to take place. Keep in mind the length of the tour.
2. Invite your friends, family, and acquaintances.
3. Decide who will purchase tickets for the group or if each member will purchase their own.
4. Book the tour.
5. Purchase the ticket(s) and print or email the ticket(s) to yourself and to the group members, if necessary.
6. Use the zoom meeting ID or google meet ID invite to join the tour. This will be emailed to you and your group members. Pass it along via email if someone did not receive it.
7. Mark the date and time of the tour in your calendar.
8. Prepare questions for the Q/A session.
9. Send reminders to your group the day before to remind them of the tour.
10. Join the tour on the date you set and have fun.

RESOURCES

- Canadian War Museum Virtual Tour | Canadian War Museum
- Virtual tour | Museum of London
- Virtual Tour | Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History (si.edu)
- Joining a Zoom Meeting - YouTube
- How To Join A Google Meet - YouTube
- How to use Virtual Backgrounds in Zoom - YouTube
- How to Change Background in Google Meet - YouTube

SUPPORTS NEEDED

This activity can be done individually or with a group. It requires skills necessary to log-in and join the zoom or google meet tour. Verbal and visual prompts can assist the individual in successfully joining the tour.

OTHER THINGS TO NOTE:

Virtual Background: Ensure the space behind you is clutter free and appropriate for other group members to see. You can utilize virtual backgrounds so other members do not see your personal space.

Audio: Please ensure you mute yourself during the tour. Background noises can be distracting to your group members and make it difficult to hear the tour guide. Unmute yourself when you have been called upon to share your questions or comments.

Questions: Make a list of questions you have that you would like answered during the live Q/A session of the tour. This can be done in advance of the tour and during the tour as you learn more about the artifacts and hidden museum wonders.