



A Field Trip

Seventh-graders across the United States often take a special field trip as a class. Many students visit their state's capital or a state history museum. Where do seventh-graders at your school go on a class field trip? Where do you think they would like to go?

Task

Work in small groups to plan a class field trip.

- 1 Use the internet to learn more about field-trip possibilities in your community or state.
- 2 Select a destination. Then, examine the costs associated with the trip. Remember to consider the cost of transportation to and from your destination. Also, investigate the cost of entrance tickets, food, and special venues or activities at the site.
- 3 Calculate costs by hand, or use a digital tool. Write and solve equations identifying the total per-student cost, and the total amount your teacher will need to collect before the day of the trip.
- 4 To help students make the most of a new experience, prepare an activity guide. Draw or use digital tools to prepare a brochure. You can also plan something more original, like a scavenger hunt. Use your research to make a map of your destination. Then, provide clues that students must follow to locate specific objects, places, or information. Have students take photographs to record their discoveries.
- 5 Share your work with other teams.

