

Our Journey with Germs

Teacher's Notes



ROYAL COLLEGE OF
PHYSICIANS AND
SURGEONS OF GLASGOW

Lesson Structure

In this education pack you will find a variety of resources to get your students thinking and talking about germs! The structure of the lesson is split into three sections:

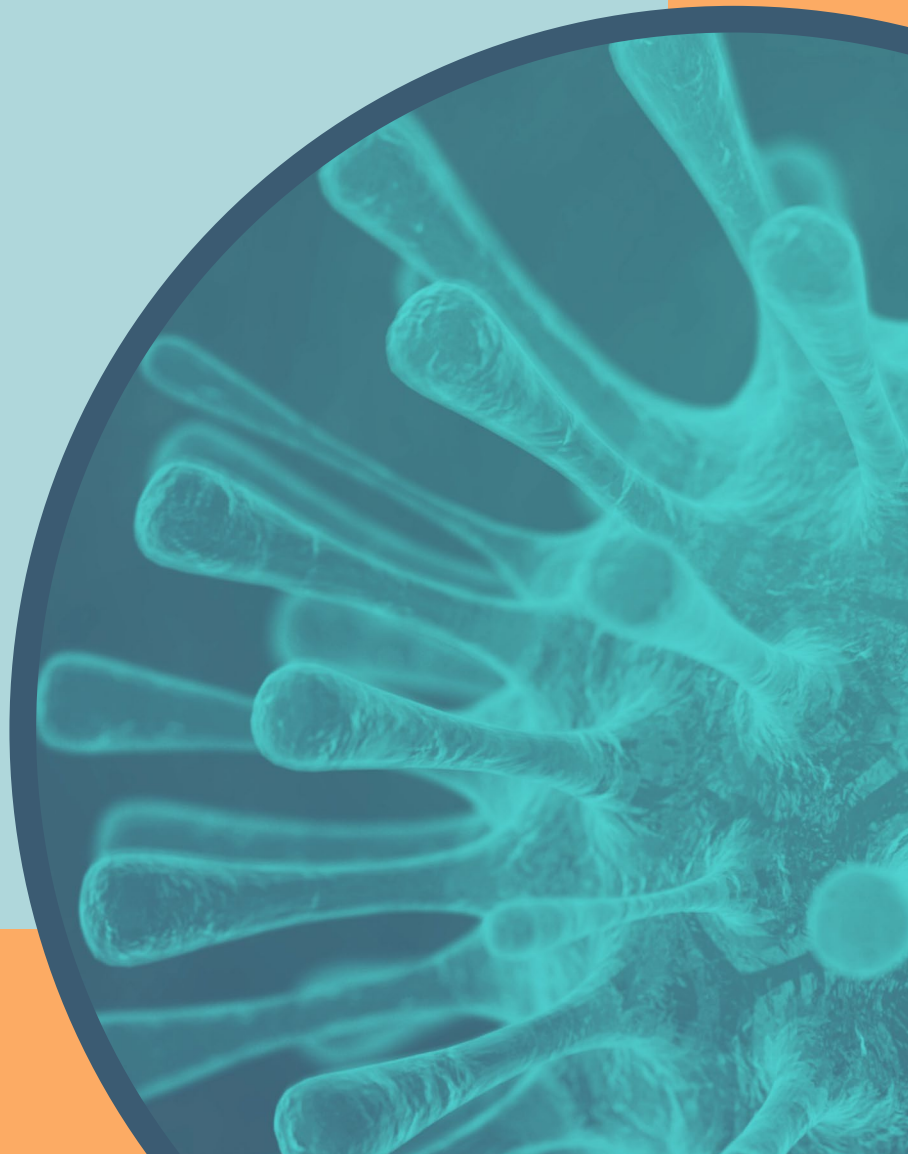
- How Much do You Know About Germs?
- Victorian Glasgow and Hygiene
- Enter Mr Lister

Each section starts with a short video that introduces the topic, followed by a group activity. There is a hyperlink to each video on the corresponding page of the education pack.

Lesson Aims

These are some of the aims of the lesson that the students should go away with:

- An understanding of what germs are and how they are transmitted
- An awareness of the importance of hygiene and how good hygiene can be practiced
- An appreciation of Glasgow as an innovative city with a heritage to be proud of



Invent a Germ!

For this activity you will require:

- A3 poster paper
- Coloured pens/pencils
- Any crafts materials to encourage creativity

Suit Up!

For this activity you will require:

- One labcoat per group
- Medical grade gloves or equivalent non-latex gloves
- Disposable facemasks
- A timer

Psst! There is an order to this task, but the students have to figure it out! The most hygienic way to put the items on is to put the gloves on first, making sure that they don't touch the outside of the gloves- that's where germs live!

For additional resources on Glasgow's medical heritage and how it relates to healthcare today, do feel free to visit the College's heritage website at <https://heritage.rcpsg.ac.uk/>

On the heritage website you will find a variety of sources that can be used in the classroom, physical or virtual! There are bitesize videos, animations, games, and 3D models that can be used for classes.

Get in Touch

You can contact the heritage department at the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow:

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Resources

