



## How to use this guide

Arts in Junior Cycle encourages active engagement when using short films in the classroom. The questions and activities below are a small sample of ways that this film featuring Aoife O'Dwyer could be incorporated into the lessons. Teachers will need to consider the unique context and both age and stage of their students when planning how best to use the film and adapt this resource accordingly.

**Key Skills focus:** Being Creative | Managing Information & Thinking | Communicating | Working with Others

### Before Viewing

Consider prior knowledge in anticipation of viewing

- Think about some websites or apps you use regularly. Do you think they are well designed and easy to use? Why/why not?
- Would you consider yourself a designer? Why/why not?
- What do you think are the key skills that a digital designer needs to have?

### While Viewing

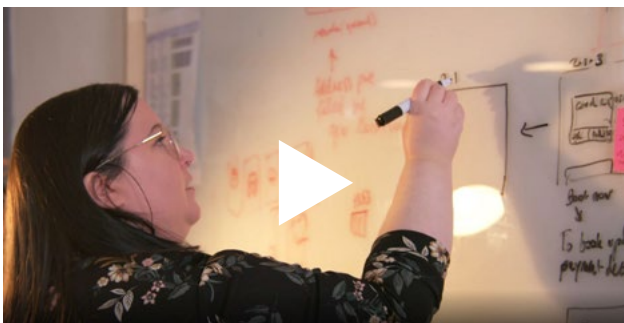
Support active viewing. On second and subsequent viewing, pausing may be used for specific focus

- Aoife speaks about working as part of a team to solve problems. She mentions that the first step is actually to figure out what the problem is. Why do you think it is important to define a problem before trying to solve it?
- As part of the iterative design process, Aoife mentions feedback cycles. Why is it important to look for feedback on designs?
- *'It has made me more conscious and aware and empathetic towards people.'* How do you think having this attitude as a designer makes for better designs?

### After Viewing

Follow up on key ideas and synthesize information learned

- Has your understanding of the process UX Design changed as a result of watching this film?
- *'It makes me really fine tuned to the things that could be better in our everyday world.'* Can you think of some things that you come across everyday that could be better? Perhaps you could try to design a solution to solve that problem.



## Aoife O'Dwyer UX Designer

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